

# LANDLORD INSURANCE ACCIDENTAL DAMAGE

**Combined Financial Services Guide and Product Disclosure Statement** 

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## PRODUCT DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (PDS)

## INTRODUCTION

#### **About this Product Disclosure Statement**

This Product Disclosure Statement (PDS) is an important document. **You** should read it carefully before making a decision to purchase this product.

This PDS will help you to:

- decide whether this product will meet your needs; and
- compare this product with other products you may be considering.

The information contained in this PDS is general information only. It is important **you** read **your** policy to ensure **you** have the cover **you** need.

Any terms in this PDS that are in **bold** are words that have a particular defined meaning. **You** should refer to the 'Definitions' section of this document beginning on page 61 to obtain the full meaning of such terms.

Headings have been included for ease of reference, but do not form part of the policy.

This PDS is made up of two parts:

- important information (beginning on page 4); and
- policy wording (beginning with the section 'Who we cover' on page 24) terms and conditions of the cover provided.

This combined FSG and PDS was prepared on 31 January 2022.

## **Updating this PDS**

Certain information in this PDS may change from time to time. If the updated information is not materially adverse from the point of view of a reasonable person deciding whether or not to purchase this product, a paper copy of the updated information will be available free of charge upon request, by contacting **your** intermediary or by contacting **us** using **our** contact details on the back page of this PDS.

Please note that **we** may also choose to provide **you** with a new or supplementary PDS in other circumstances.

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

#### About Blue Zebra

Blue Zebra Insurance Pty Ltd (**BZI**, **we**, **us** or **our**) ABN 12 622 465 838, Australian Financial Services (AFS) Licence Number 504130, is an insurance underwriting agency and holds an AFS Licence to issue and provide general advice on general insurance products. From 1 January 2022 **BZI** is also authorised to provide claims handling and settling services.

**BZI** arranges and administers the policy. **BZI** acts under a binding authority for the **insurer** and not **you**. Please see **BZI's** Financial Services Guide on page 68.

## **About Cover Guard Insurance and Community Broker Network**

Cover Guard Insurance Pty Ltd (Cover Guard) ABN 94 637 331 241, is a corporate authorised representative (CAR No 1280249) of Community Broker Network Pty Ltd AFSL 233750 (CBN), and has been authorised by CBN to distribute this insurance and receives a commission from CBN.

Community Broker Network Pty Ltd (CBN) ABN 60 096 916 184, Australian Financial Services (AFS) Licence Number 233750, is licenced by ASIC as a General Insurance Broker and is the largest general insurance Authorised Broker network in Australia. CBN distributes this insurance under its own Australian Financial Services licence and receives a commission from **BZI**. CBN acts as **your** agent and does not act on behalf of **BZI** or the **insurer**.

To find out more about the relationship between CBN and Cover Guard, please read the Cover Guard Financial Services Guide available from Cover Guard on request or at www.coverguardinsurance.com.au.

#### **About Youi**

The **insurer** is Youi Pty Ltd (Youi), ABN 79 123 074 733, AFS Licence Number 316 511.

Youi Pty Ltd is an Australian registered company and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Youi Holdings Pty Ltd, a subsidiary of OUTsurance International Holdings Pty Ltd part of the Rand Merchant Investment Holdings (RMIH) Group.

Youi is a registered general insurance company and is regulated by the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA) and Australian Securities and Investment Commission (ASIC), a member of the Insurance Council of Australia (ICA) and a signatory to the General Insurance Code of Practice.

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#### About this insurance

**Our** Landlord Insurance Accidental Damage policy covers **your buildings** or **your contents** for accidental loss or damage. **You** can choose to take out cover for **your buildings**, cover for **your contents**, or cover for both **buildings** and **contents**.

**We** also provide cover under specific conditions for a range of incidents and additional benefits and covers, including for **your** legal liability. **You** may also be able to add 'optional covers' to **your** policy (if **we** have provided **you** the option to do so) to insure for loss of rent following a claim, or for certain acts by **your tenants** such as theft or rent default.

For a summary of benefits available and optional covers that **we** may provide under this policy, please see the 'Benefits summary' section beginning on page 22.

To find out what this policy covers please read this PDS to ensure you have the cover you need.

## How to apply for this policy

Throughout this document when **we** are referring to **your** insurance broker or adviser, **we** simply refer to them as **your** intermediary.

If **you** are interested in buying this product or have any inquiries about it, **you** should contact **your** intermediary who should be able to provide **you** with all the information and assistance **you** require.

If you are not satisfied with the information provided by your intermediary, you can contact us at the address or telephone number shown on the back cover of this document. However, we are only able to provide factual information or general advice about the product. We do not give advice on whether the product is appropriate for your personal objectives, needs or financial situation. Therefore, you should carefully read this document before deciding whether to purchase this product or not.

## Cooling-off period

After **you** apply for (or renew) a **BZI** product and **you** have received the PDS, **you** have **30 days** to check that the policy meets **your** needs. Within this time **you** may cancel the policy and receive a full refund of any **premiums** paid (less any non-refundable government charges, taxes and levies that **we** have paid and are not recoverable), unless:

- you have made a claim or become entitled to make a claim under your policy; or
- you have exercised any right or power you have in respect of your policy or the policy has ended.

Your request will need to be forwarded to us via your intermediary.

**You** can cancel **your** policy at any time after the cooling-off period. Please refer to 'Cancellation' under the 'General terms and conditions' section beginning on page 56.

## Our contract with you

You must pay us or your intermediary the agreed premium by the date due, to ensure there is cover under this policy. If we accept a claim under this policy, you will always need to pay us the premium due. Your policy is a contract of insurance between you and the insurer.

Your policy is made up of:

- This PDS which incorporates the policy wording beginning with the 'Who we cover' section on page
  24. This is common to all customers who buy our Blue Zebra Insurance Landlord Insurance
  Accidental Damage product. It tells you what is covered, sets out the claims procedures,
  exclusions and other terms and conditions of cover;
- Your policy schedule provided by us for the relevant period of insurance. The policy schedule is
  a separate document unique to you, which shows the insurance details relevant to you. It includes
  any agreed changes, exclusions, terms and conditions made to suit your individual circumstances;
  and
- Any other written change otherwise advised by us in writing (such as an endorsement or a supplementary PDS). These written changes vary or modify the above documents.

This document is also the PDS for any offer of renewal **we** may make, unless **we** tell **you** otherwise. Please keep **your** policy documents in a safe place.

Unless stated otherwise in the policy, if there is more than one insured on the policy, then anything which any of the insureds says, does or omits to advise to **us**, applies to and affects the rights of all of the insureds under this policy or any claim made under it. **We** only need a request from one insured to change or cancel **your** policy, or to tell **us** where an approved claim payment should be paid.

## Significant issues to consider

Insurance contracts contain policy exclusions, policy terms and conditions and policy limits and sublimits that **you** should be aware of when deciding to purchase **our** product. These things may affect the amount of the payment that **we** will make under a claim on this policy.

**We** may express some policy terms, policy limits or sub-limits as being either a dollar amount or a percentage of **your** sum insured shown in **your policy schedule** or some other amount, factor or item specified in the relevant clause or this document.

**You** should be aware of the following matters in considering whether this product is suitable for **your** needs.

## **Exclusion for new business policies**

There is no cover under this policy for bushfire, grassfire, **storm**, **flood** or tsunami in the first 72 hours from the start date shown on **your policy schedule**. Very limited exceptions apply. For full details see the 'General exclusions' section beginning on page 58.

#### **Excesses can apply**

For each of the available covers, an **excess** may apply. Please refer to the 'Excesses' section on page 11 for more details

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#### **Exclusions**

In some circumstances, this policy contains a number of exclusions, some of which are common in insurance policies. Before making a decision about whether to purchase this policy, **you** should read the full details of all relevant exclusions, which are contained in this PDS. Some may not be relevant to **you**, however **you** should make yourself aware of all the exclusions that apply in all sections of this PDS. Please refer to the 'General exclusions' section beginning on page 58 for the specific details.

#### General terms and conditions

General terms and conditions applicable to all cover provided under this policy set out **your** obligations with which **you** need to comply. Please refer to the 'General terms and conditions' section beginning on page 56.

In addition, **you** should make yourself aware of all the terms and conditions that apply to the various covers detailed within this policy. If **you** or someone else (to the extent they would normally be covered under this policy) claim on this policy and do not meet them, **we** may be able to decline or reduce the claim payment or cancel **your** policy.

#### Make sure you have the cover you need

**You** should discuss with **your** intermediary the appropriate amounts and risks for which **you** need to be insured. If **you** do not adequately insure for the relevant risks **you** may have to bear any uninsured losses yourself.

You should also advise your intermediary to notify us as soon as possible when your circumstances change which are relevant to your policy. For instance, you may need to consider increasing your sum insured if you make renovations or alterations to your buildings, or if you increase the rent you receive from letting your property. If you do not tell your intermediary of these changes, in the event of you suffering a loss or damage, your sum insured may not be adequate to cover your loss, or you may not even have any cover under your policy.

## This policy is not a substitute for home maintenance

If purchased, this Blue Zebra Landlord Insurance Accidental Damage product provides insurance cover for accidental damage to **your buildings** and/or **contents** and certain legal liability cover.

Landlord insurance policies are designed to protect their purchasers against the potential risk of covered events, for covered property. Property insurance is not intended or designed to serve as a substitute for good maintenance of **your buildings** or **contents**.

If purchased, **we** insure **your buildings** and/or **contents** on the condition that they are in good condition, and **we** may cancel **your** policy or tell **you** that **we** will not offer to renew it if that is not the case. Subject to Australian insurance law, this policy does not cover certain types of damage or loss, for example wear and tear, gradual deterioration or property which develops an inherent defect or fault due to its design.

**You** should read this PDS in full to understand what it does and does not cover, and the obligations **you** or anyone claiming under this policy have. If **you** have any questions about the cover this policy provides, please ask **your** intermediary to ask **us**, and **we** will answer them.

## When answering our questions

Under Australian insurance law **you** have a duty to take reasonable care not to make a misrepresentation when answering **our** questions. This means that when getting a quote, buying or amending a policy, **you** need to answer **our** questions accurately and completely.

This duty applies in the same way to someone answering **our** questions on **your** behalf, as well as anyone else who answers **our** questions and is to be covered by this policy.

If we send you a renewal invitation you also need to check if all of the information on it is accurate and complete.

If **our** questions are not answered accurately and completely, **we** may reduce or not pay a claim, cancel **your** policy or treat it as if it never existed.

#### Renewal

At least 14 days before the policy expires **we** will provide **you** a notice, offering **our** renewal terms, or explaining the reason for not renewing **your** policy. If **we** offer to renew **your** policy, **you** are not obliged to renew the policy with **us**. **We** encourage **you** to check the new amounts to make sure they continue to cover **your** needs.

**You** must check all the information recorded in **our** offer of renewal and tell **us** immediately if any of it is inaccurate or incomplete. This includes any changes that have occurred during the term of **your** policy; for example, changes to the insured property, the address where the insured property is kept, and the people covered by **your** policy.

Any changes to the information in **our** offer of renewal may cause **us** to change **our** decision to offer renewal of **your** policy or the terms on which **we** offer such renewal. If **you** do not tell **us**, **we** may reduce or not pay a claim, cancel **your** policy or treat it as if it never existed.

If your nominated method of paying your premium is by direct debit, and you decide to renew this policy, then we will continue to debit your nominated bank account or credit card for the remainder of the period of insurance. If you pay your premium annually, you must pay the full amount by the due date shown on your renewal invitation in order for cover to continue into the renewed period of insurance.

This PDS (together with any amendments, updates or endorsements that **we** give **you** in writing) also applies for any offer of renewal **we** make, unless **we** tell **you** otherwise or provide **you** with a new updated PDS.

Your cooling-off period applies on each renewal. See page 5 for details.

Each renewal is a separate contract and not an extension of the prior contract.

## How we determine your premium

The amount of your premium is determined by taking a number of different matters into account.

It is important for **you** to know in particular that the **premium** varies depending on the information **we** received from **you** about the risk to be covered by **us**. The higher the risk is, the higher the **premium** will be. Based on **our** experience and expertise **we** decide what factors increase **our** risk and how they should impact on the **premium**. Each insurer can do this differently.

In this product the following are some of the factors that are taken into consideration when determining the appropriate **premium**:

- your nominated sum insured;
- the location of the property (i.e. the location of the insured address);
- the materials used in the construction of your buildings;
- the nature of the occupancy (i.e. short term tenancy or long term tenancy);
- whether the property is managed by you or your property manager;
- whether or not you have chosen any optional covers that we have offered to you (such as rent
  default or theft by tenant);
- the excess you have chosen for your buildings and/or contents. If you elect to take a higher
  excess in the event of a claim, this will reduce the cost of your premium. Your intermediary can
  supply you with quotes based on differing amounts of excesses.

**Your** intermediary can arrange for **you** to be provided with a quote for a **premium**. **You** will need to give relevant personal details to **your** intermediary at this time to enable **us** to calculate **your premium**.

Another important thing to know is that **your premium** also includes amounts that take into account **our** obligation to pay any relevant compulsory government charges, taxes or levies (e.g. Insurance Duty, Goods and Services Tax (GST) and Emergency Services Levy) in relation to **your** policy. These amounts will be set out separately on **your policy schedule** as part of the total **premium** payable.

Also, minimum **premiums** may apply. Any discounts or entitlements may be subject to rounding and only apply to the extent any minimum **premium** is not reached.

**BZI** may also add an agency fee to the **premium** that is charged, and this will be shown on **your policy schedule**. The agency fee will only be refunded when the policy is cancelled within the cooling-off period (see page 5) or where the cancellation is effective from the start of the **period of insurance**.

## How to pay your premium

You can pay your premium as an annual payment to your intermediary.

You must pay your premium in the manner set out on your policy schedule.

## How to pay your premium via your intermediary

If **you** are paying **your** annual **premium** via **your** intermediary, **you** must pay them by the due date shown on **your policy schedule**. If **your premium** is unpaid after the due date **we** may be entitled to reduce or refuse to pay a claim or cancel this policy.

## About your sum insured

Your buildings sum insured and/or contents sum insured are shown on your policy schedule. For contents cover the contents sum insured on your policy schedule represents the nominated sum insured for contents excluding any items added under the optional cover 'Special contents' (see page 52) which if purchased will be shown separately.

Please check that **your** sum insureds are adequate to cover **you** for the replacement value of **your buildings** and/or **contents**, and review them whenever **your** circumstances change (for example, after renovations to **your buildings** or purchasing new **contents** items). If **you** have any questions regarding the adequacy of **your** sum insureds, please contact **your** intermediary.

The sum insured values that you choose should exclude GST.

During each **period of insurance** the sum insured for **buildings** and/or **contents** (other than 'special contents') will be automatically increased by 0.5% per month (6% per annum) until the end of the **period of insurance**. The sum insureds after this adjustment represent the most **you** can claim for any one incident unless stated otherwise in this PDS. This is prior to the application of any 'additional benefits' or 'additional covers' which may be applicable to the claim.

**Your buildings** sum insured and/or **contents** sum insured will be automatically adjusted at renewal, if renewal is offered, to take into account various factors including inflationary trends. If **you** need to change the value associated with any 'special contents' (see page 52), please inform **your** intermediary.

## About making a claim

#### How to make a claim

If **you** need to make a claim under this policy, please contact **your** intermediary to assist **you** in lodging the claim with **us**. **You** can register **your** claim with Cover Guard – see www.coverguardinsurance.com.au/how-to-claim/ for more details.

Alternatively, if it is an emergency outside business hours or **you** would like to lodge the claim with **us** directly, please call **us** on one of the following numbers:

phone us on 1300 253 692 or +61 2 9301 8018 (if dialling from overseas).

#### What you must do

As soon as **you** are aware of any circumstances that are likely to result in a claim under this policy, **you** must:

- take any reasonable steps to reduce the damage and avoid any further loss;
- inform the police promptly if property is lost, stolen or subject to malicious damage or vandalism;
   and/or
- keep any damaged property for which you intend to make a claim (so that we may inspect it). If your claim is for a total loss, we will give fair consideration to any extenuating circumstances.

#### What you must not do

If you believe that you are likely to make a claim under this policy, you must not:

- carry out any repairs without our authority, except in the case of an emergency where you are
  required to prevent further loss or damage to your buildings and/or contents as a result of that
  emergency, in which case we give you the authority to arrange reasonable emergency repairs on
  our behalf:
- admit responsibility for any loss, damage or destruction, if another person's property is involved;
- make any false statements in connection with your policy or any claim you make;
- negotiate a reduced settlement with another person for damage they have caused.

If **you** do not follow these steps, **we** can reduce any claim by an amount that fairly represents the extent to which **our** interests have been prejudiced.

#### **Excesses**

For each of the available covers, an **excess** may apply. An **excess** is not an additional fee charged by **us** at the time of making a claim. Rather, it is the uninsured first portion of a loss for which **you** are otherwise covered for under the policy's terms.

Details of the **excess** amounts and circumstances in which they will be applied are set out in the definition of **excess** (see 'Definitions' section beginning on page 61) and the relevant section of this PDS that explains the cover **we** provide.

The amount of any excess you will be required to pay will appear on your policy schedule.

If a single event results in claims to both **buildings** and **contents**, **you** will only be required to pay one **excess** – that which is the greater of the applicable **buildings** and **contents excesses**.

Where a claim relates to separate identifiable events with damage or loss caused by:

- malicious damage or vandalism;
- deliberate or intentional damage;
- damage by tenant's pets;
- theft by tenant (if we have offered that optional cover and you have selected it see page 39);

an excess will be payable for each event, up to a maximum of the following in total for the claim:

- the buildings excess shown on your policy schedule (if buildings cover has been selected and there is damage or loss to your buildings);
- the contents excess shown on your policy schedule (if contents cover has been selected and there is damage or loss to your contents); or
- \$1.000.

If an **excess** applies to **your** claim, **you** will need to pay it to **us** when **we** request it, and no later than when **we** are finalising the processing of **your** claim.

#### How we settle your claim - buildings

When **your buildings** are destroyed or damaged during the **period of insurance we** will ordinarily pay for the cost of repair or replacement with new material.

We may not always be able to repair or replace your buildings, for example:

- if the materials needed for the repair or rebuild are not readily available;
- if the repair or rebuilding cannot commence for a significant amount of time; for example, due to availability of service providers;
- if the pre-incident condition of the **buildings** prevents **us** from repairing or rebuilding them; or
- if the event insured under this policy makes the land unsafe to build on; for example, after an earthquake.

In such situations, we will pay the **cash settlement value** in respect of **your** claim or part of it. See page 61 for what **cash settlement value** means.

If you request a cash settlement instead of the repair or replacement of your buildings, we will have regard to the circumstances of your claim and consider any preference you may have. If we agree, we will pay the cash settlement value. For example, when you confirm to us that you will not rebuild your buildings.

If the damage to **your buildings** requires them to be rebuilt, and **you** tell **us you** would prefer to rebuild at a different site and **we** agree to manage **your** claim on that basis, then **our** agreement will be on the following conditions:

- we will not pay more than the cost that we would have incurred if reinstatement of your buildings that are damaged had taken place at the location where the damage happened; or
- if the actual cost of rebuilding is less than the cost of reinstatement at the location where the damage happened, then **our** payment is limited to the actual cost of rebuilding.

Any rebuilding or repairing of **your buildings** must commence within 6 months of the date that the destruction or damage occurred. If it does not commence within 6 months (or any other period which **we** agree with **you** in writing) **you** may have to pay any increase in cost caused by the delay. In the case of building works **you** may need to enter a separate domestic building contract with the repairer.

**We** will pay for the damaged portion of fixed coverings to walls, floors and ceilings only in the room, hall or passage where the damage occurred. **We** will not pay any costs for replacing undamaged property.

**We** will take reasonable steps to attempt to match any material used to repair **your buildings** with the original materials, however if **we** are unable to do so **we** will use the nearest equivalent available to the original materials. However, in situations where:

- it is not possible or economically viable for us to acquire new material to replace the damaged material that reasonably matches the undamaged portion to a similar extent as immediately prior to the loss or damage occurring; and
- the amount of damaged material that cannot be matched to the undamaged material is more than 40% of the total material that would have to be replaced if all the matching damaged and undamaged material was replaced;

then we will replace both the damaged and undamaged material.

#### How we settle your claim - contents

When **your contents** are destroyed, lost or damaged during the **period of insurance we** will decide which of the following **we** will do to settle **your** claim:

- repair the contents item(s) to the condition it was in immediately before it was destroyed, lost or damaged;
- replace the **contents** item(s) with the nearest equivalent new item; or
- pay you the cash settlement value of the replacement or repair. See page 61 for what cash settlement value means.

The situations when **we** may choose to pay **you** the **cash settlement value**, instead of repairing or replacing **your contents**, include:

- if parts needed for the repair are not readily available in Australia;
- if an item that is being replaced is not readily available in Australia; or
- if the repair or replacement will take a significant amount of time; for example, due to unavailability of service providers.

In such situations, we will pay the cash settlement value in respect of your claim or part of it.

If you request a cash settlement instead of the repair or replacement of your contents, we will have regard to the circumstances of your claim and consider any preference you may have. If we agree, we will pay the cash settlement value.

As noted in the additional benefit 'Environmental improvements' on page 34, if **we** have agreed to replace any refrigerators, washing machines, clothes dryers or dishwashers that have been lost or damaged, **we** will replace them with items that have at least a 3-star energy rating regardless of whether the original item had such a rating.

We will pay for the cost of replacing any damaged:

- carpets;
- wall, floor and ceiling coverings; and
- internal blinds and curtains:

but only in the room, passage or hall where your contents were destroyed, lost or damaged.

When a destroyed, lost or damaged item of **your contents** is part of a pair, set or collection, **we** will only pay for the value of the destroyed, lost or damaged item itself, unless **you** have chosen to specify that pair, set or collection as a 'special content' (see optional cover 'Special contents' beginning on page 52). If the item is not specified like this, then the most **we** will pay is the value that the item has as a proportion of the combined pair, set or collection. **We** will only pay the cost of replacing the item even though the pair, set or collection to which it belongs is less valuable because it is incomplete.

#### How we settle your claim - loss of rent

Please refer to the 'Claims payment basis – loss of rent' section on page 46 for details on how claims for 'Loss of rent' are calculated and settled (if **we** have offered that optional cover and **you** have added it to **your** policy).

#### How we settle your claim - rent default

Please refer to the 'Claims payment basis – rent default' on page 51 for details on how claims for 'Rent default' are calculated and settled (if **we** have offered that optional cover and **you** have selected it).

#### Assisting us with your claim

**You** or the claimant under this policy must reasonably assist **us** with managing the claim. This includes providing **us** with the information, co-operation and assistance that **we** reasonably require. That may include attending one or more interviews at **our** reasonable direction.

If **you** or the claimant under this policy fail to reasonably assist **us** with the claim, **we** may reduce or refuse to pay it.

#### After your claim is accepted

After **we** have paid a claim under **your** policy, either in total or in part, **we** have the right to take over any legal right of recovery which **you** or a claimant under this policy have. If **we** do this, it will be for **our** benefit and at **our** expense (if **you** have been fully reimbursed). **You** or they must provide **us** with reasonable co-operation. For example, **you** or they must not limit or restrict **your** rights of recovery against any third party without **our** prior written consent.

**We** have the right to keep any damaged property **we** have paid for under **your** policy, including any proceeds if the items are sold.

If **we** recover more than the amount **we** paid **you** or the claimant under this policy, **we** will pay **you** or them the balance after deducting any expenses incurred by **us** in undertaking the recovery.

If any person compensates **you** or them for the insured damage of any property for which **we** have paid a claim, **you** or they must reimburse **us** for that payment. **You** or they must do this promptly after the compensation payment is made.

#### Reinstatement of cover following a claim

If **you** have a **buildings** or **contents** claim that does not result in **us** paying **you** the full amount of the **buildings** sum insured or **contents** sum insured respectively, **your** cover for the insured property will continue up to the sum insured shown on **your policy schedule** (including the adjustments in the 'About your sum insured' section beginning on page 10).

If you have a claim for your contents that results in us paying you the contents sum insured, the cover for your contents will end. However, we will provide temporary cover for contents for a sum insured of \$5,000 for 3 months from the date of the destruction, loss or damage that resulted in that claim.

If you have a claim for your buildings that results in us paying you the sum insured, the cover for your buildings will end but liability cover will remain in force until the expiry date of the policy. However, liability cover in relation to your buildings formerly occupied by you will continue until the earliest of the expiry of your policy and:

- any construction commencing at the insured address;
- the sale of the insured address or any part of it;
- another policy that includes equivalent liability cover being taken out by you in relation to the insured address;
- the commencement of construction of a building to replace the insured buildings at another site;
   or
- 6 months from the date of the destruction, loss or damage that resulted in that claim.

## Lifetime guarantee on building repairs

If you have a **buildings** claim then **we** guarantee that if a defect arises in **your buildings** as a result of poor quality workmanship or poor quality materials when **we** replace, repair or rebuild **your buildings**, provided that **we**:

- have directly authorised and managed the replacement, repairs or rebuilding; and
- have paid, or have a legal liability to pay, the supplier, repairer or builder directly for this work;

then **we** will rectify the problem by authorising, managing and paying for further replacement, repair or rebuilding. **We** will, at **our** discretion, decide what needs to be done to rectify the problem.

This guarantee does not apply to:

- replacement, repairs or rebuilding that you arrange, authorise or make yourself (this applies even if we give you or your supplier, repairer or builder a payment for all or part of the repair cost);
- loss, damage or failure of any electrical or mechanical appliances or machines that form part of your buildings; or
- wear and tear consistent with normal gradual deterioration of your buildings (e.g. paint peeling off as part of its normal life cycle, wood rotting from moisture in the air or ground, roofs weathering or a hot water system leaking as a result of normal gradual deterioration).

#### Claims examples

Below are some examples of claim scenarios that are included here to show how a claim payment might typically be calculated. These examples are a guide only and do not cover all of the potential scenarios or all benefits that may be paid under this policy. They do not form part of the terms and conditions of **your** policy.

All dollar figures shown in these claim examples, except for **excesses**, include GST and are in Australian dollars. Each example also assumes the claimant has not claimed any input tax credits for the GST collected on their **premium**. That is, the claimant holds a 0% input tax credit entitlement under GST law. **BZI** will determine actual claims payments on an individual basis taking into consideration the facts applicable to the claim and **our** assessment of any loss, damage or liability, as well as the coverage, exclusions and **excesses** set out in this policy and on **your policy schedule**.

#### Example 1 - partial loss to buildings and contents

**You** have the **buildings** and **contents** of **your** landlord property insured under a **BZI** Landlord Insurance Accidental Damage policy, with the following details:

Buildings sum insured: \$600,000
 Contents sum insured: \$25,000
 Buildings excess: \$1,000
 Contents excess: \$500

Occupancy: Short term tenancy

Weekly rental amount: \$1,000
 Optional cover for 'loss of rent': Yes

A few months into the **period of insurance**, there is a major bushfire event that results in damage to some of the **buildings** and **contents** at the **insured address**. The property is **uninhabitable** as a result. **We** assess the claim and determine that it will cost the following amounts which include GST:

- the cost to rebuild the buildings will be \$350,000;
- it will cost \$50,000 to remove the debris;
- architect's fees will be \$30,000;
- it will take 18 weeks for the repairs to be complete and **we** estimate the loss of rent during this period to be \$18,000 based on:
  - documented bookings at the property at the time of the loss;
  - historical occupancy rates and rental rates for this property during a recent comparable period; and
  - information sourced from a local property manager with respect to occupancy rates and rental rates for nearby short term rental properties of a similar size, function and quality during the comparable rental period;
- the contents damaged or destroyed are valued at \$10,000.

How much we pay		Explanation
Cost to rebuild	\$350,000	The <b>buildings</b> sum insured is sufficient to cover the cost of
your buildings		rebuilding without the need to rely on the 30% sum insured
		safety net.
Removal of debris	\$50,000	Paid in addition to the <b>buildings</b> sum insured.
Architect's fees	\$30,000	Paid in addition to the <b>buildings</b> sum insured.
Loss of rent	\$18,000	Based on documented and historical bookings at the
		property and an assessment of short term rental income at
		comparable properties nearby <b>we</b> estimate the loss of rent
		during the 18 week period to be \$18,000.
Replacement cost for	\$10,000	Based on the assessment of the value of <b>your contents</b>
your contents		damaged or destroyed.
Less <b>excess</b> payable	-\$1,000	Only one <b>excess</b> is payable, the higher of the <b>buildings</b> and
		contents excesses.
Total of claim payments	\$457,000	

#### Example 2 - theft by tenant and rent default

**You** have the **contents** of **your** landlord property insured under a **BZI** Landlord Insurance Accidental Damage policy with the following details:

Contents sum insured: \$15,000Contents excess: \$500

Occupancy: Long term tenancy

Weekly rental amount: \$600
 Optional cover for 'theft by tenant': Yes
 Optional cover for 'rent default': Yes
 Bond money: \$2,400

**Your tenant** has vacated the property in the middle of the **rental agreement** without giving the required notice and has stolen some **contents** (to the value of \$4,000) at the same time.

**Your property manager** is successful in re-letting the property after 8 weeks. However, there is \$250 of allowable re-letting expenses.

We assess the claim and determine that it will cost the following amounts which include GST.

How much we pay		Explanation
Rent default	\$2,650	Loss of rent: \$600 at a rate of 8 weeks = \$4,800 less remaining <b>bond money</b> : \$2,400 - \$250 = \$2,150
Theft by <b>tenant</b>	\$4,000	
Less <b>excess</b> payable	-\$500	The <b>excess</b> is the <b>contents excess</b> because the claim involves both theft by tenant and rent default. (Note: there is no <b>excess</b> payable if a claim is for rent default only).
Total claim of payments	\$6,150	

## Example 3 – legal liability

**Your buildings** are insured under a **BZI** Landlord Insurance Accidental Damage policy with a **buildings excess** of \$1,000.

**Your tenant** falls over at **the insured address** as a result of a handrail coming loose and unfortunately breaks their leg. They make a claim for loss of wages for an 8-week period and some out of pocket expenses, for a total amount of \$12,000. After **we** assess the circumstances behind the claim **we** determine that **you** are legally liable for this claim and that the amount **you** are liable for is \$12,000.

How much we pay		Explanation
Total amount of claim	\$12,000	Paid to the injured party.
Less <b>excess</b> payable	-\$0	No <b>excess</b> is payable because the claim is only under the 'Legal liability' cover.
Total of claim payments	\$12,000	

#### **Goods and Services Tax**

**You** must advise **us** of **your** correct input tax credit percentage (**your** entitlement to GST credits on the insurance **premium**), where **you** are GST registered as a business and have an Australian Business Number

**We** will not indemnify **you** for any GST liability, fines or penalties that arise from or are attributable to **your** failure to notify **us** of **your** entitlement (or correct entitlement) to an input tax credit on the **premium**.

The sum insured values that **you** choose should exclude GST and all dollar amounts in this PDS are exclusive of GST unless stated otherwise.

In the event of a claim, if **you** are not registered for GST, **we** will reimburse **you** the GST component, in addition to the amount **we** pay **you**. If **you** are registered for GST the amount that **we** are liable to pay under this policy will be reduced by the amount of any input tax credit that **you** are or may be entitled to claim for the supply of goods or services covered by that payment.

If **you** are unsure about the taxation implications of this policy, **you** should seek advice from **your** accountant or tax professional.

## **Privacy**

#### How BZI manages your personal information

BZI complies with Australian privacy law, including the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth).

#### How we collect your details

We usually collect personal or sensitive information, about you ('your details') directly from you or your intermediary. We may also collect it from other third parties such as our agents and service providers, other insurers and insurance reference bureaus, people who are involved in a claim or assist us in investigating or processing claims, including third parties claiming under your policy, witnesses and medical practitioners, third parties who may be arranging insurance cover for a group that you are a part of; law enforcement, dispute resolution, statutory and regulatory bodies; marketing lists and industry databases; and publicly available sources.

Before giving **us** personal information about another person, please make them aware of this privacy notice or refer that person to **our** Privacy Policy which is referred to below.

#### Why we collect, use and disclose your details

We collect, disclose and handle information, and in some cases personal or sensitive information, about you ('your details') to assess applications, administer policies, contact you, enhance our products and services and manage claims ('purposes'). If you do not provide your information, we may not be able to provide you with our services or do those things listed above. By providing us, our representatives or your intermediary with your details, you consent to us using, disclosing to third parties and collecting from third parties your details for the purposes.

Laws authorising or requiring **us** to collect information include the Insurance Contracts Act 1984, Corporations Act 2001, Autonomous Sanctions Act 2011, A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999 and other financial services, crime prevention, trade sanctions and tax laws.

#### Who we may disclose your details to (including overseas disclosure)

We may disclose your details for the purposes noted above to relevant third parties including your intermediary, affiliates of BZI, Youi, other insurers and reinsurers, our service providers, our business partners, health practitioners, your employer, parties affected by claims, people investigating or assisting us in claims, government bodies, regulators, law enforcement bodies and as required by law, within Australia and overseas.

**BZI**'s Privacy Policy, available at www.bzi.com.au, provides further information and lists service providers, business partners and countries in which recipients of **your** details are likely to be located. It also sets out how **we** handle complaints and how **you** can access or correct **your** details or make a complaint.

#### How Youi manages your personal information

**Your** privacy and the security of **your** personal information is extremely important to Youi. Youi is committed to protecting the privacy of **your** personal information and handling it in a responsible manner in accordance with Australian privacy law, including the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth).

Youi collects personal information when **you** deal with them, their agents and other companies in their business group, as well as suppliers that act on Youi's behalf. Youi uses **your** personal information so that it can do business with **you**. That includes issuing and administering Youi's products and services and claims.

Youi may send **your** personal information overseas. The locations they send it to can vary but include New Zealand and South Africa. For more detail about how Youi handles **your** personal information, read Youi's Privacy Policy at youi.com.au or call Youi on 13 YOUI (9684) for a free copy.

It's up to **you** whether **you** provide **your** personal information to Youi, but if **you** don't Youi might not be able to do business with **you**, and that could include paying a claim.

## **General Insurance Code of Practice**

The **insurer** is a signatory to the General Insurance Code of Practice (**'Code'**) and **BZI** also proudly supports the **Code**.

The **Code**, which is written in plain English, sets out the standards that general insurers must meet when providing services to their customers, such as being open, fair and honest.

It also sets out timeframes for insurers to respond to claims, complaints and requests for information from customers.

The **Code** covers many aspects of a customer's relationship with their insurer, from buying insurance to making a claim, to providing options to those experiencing financial hardship or vulnerability, to the process for those who wish to make a complaint. **We** encourage **you** to tell **us** if **you** are experiencing vulnerability, so that **we** can best assist **you**.

A copy of the General Insurance Code of Practice can be found at www.codeofpractice.com.au.

## **Complaints**

If **you** have a complaint about this product or about a service **you** have received from **us**, please contact **your** intermediary to initiate the complaint with **us**. If **you** are unable to contact **your** intermediary, **you** can contact **us** directly on 1300 171 531 or via compliance.manager@bzi.com.au.

**We** will respond to **your** complaint within 15 working days. If **you** are not satisfied with **our** response, **you** may have the matter reviewed through **our** internal dispute resolution process, which is free of charge. **We** will provide **you** with the outcome of the dispute resolution process within 30 calendar days after receiving the complaint.

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the dispute resolution process and would like to take the complaint further, you may refer the matter to the Australian Financial Complaints Authority (AFCA). AFCA provides fair and independent financial services complaint resolution that is free to you for matters falling within AFCA's Rules.

Their contact details are:

Website: www.afca.org.au Email: info@afca.org.au Free call: 1800 931 678

In writing to: The Australian Financial Complaints Authority, GPO Box 3, Melbourne, Victoria 3001

#### Financial claims schemes

The **insurer** of this policy, Youi, is an insurance company authorised under the Insurance Act 1973 (Cth) to carry on general insurance business in Australia. As such, they are subject to prudential requirements and standards, regulated by the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (**APRA**).

This policy may be a protected policy under the Federal Government's Financial Claims Scheme (**FCS**) which is administered by **APRA**.

The **FCS** may apply in the event that a general insurance company becomes insolvent. If the **FCS** applies, a person who is entitled to make a claim under this insurance policy may be entitled to a payment under the **FCS**. Access to the **FCS** is subject to eligibility criteria.

Further information about the FCS can be obtained at www.fcs.gov.au.

## **Confirmation of transactions**

If you need to clarify any of the information contained in this PDS, wish to confirm a transaction or you have any other queries regarding your policy or your claim, your first point of contact is your intermediary. However, if you would also like to contact us directly, please use the contact details on the back cover.

## **BENEFITS SUMMARY**

Below is a summary of the coverage and benefits available under this policy, as well as optional covers that **we** may provide **you** the ability to add to **your** policy.

Please refer to the whole of this PDS, **your policy schedule**, and any other documents that make up **your** policy for full details and applicable terms and conditions, limits and exclusions.

Cover	Buildings	Contents
Accidental destruction, loss,	☑ Up to <b>buildings</b>	✓ Up to contents
or damage, including: Page 29	sum insured (SI)	sum insured (SI)
<ul> <li>deliberate or intentional damage</li> </ul>	if selected	if selected
<ul> <li>malicious damage or vandalism</li> </ul>		
Additional benefits	Buildings	Contents
Sum insured safety net Page 31	Up to 30% of <b>buildings</b> SI	×
Removal of debris Page 31	✓ Reasonable costs	✓ Reasonable costs
Excess waiver for total loss Page 32		
Rebuilding fees Page 32	✓ Reasonable costs	×
Meeting building regulations Page 32	☑ Up to 20% of <b>buildings</b> SI	×
Plants, trees & shrubs	☑ Up to \$1,000 per plant,	×
	\$2,000 in total (excluding	
Page 32	storm/flood)	
Prevention of further	☑ Reasonable and	✓ Reasonable and
loss or damage Page 33	necessary costs	necessary costs
Mortgagee discharge costs Page 33	Reasonable costs	×
Locating the source of	✓ Reasonable costs	✓ Reasonable costs
escaped liquid Page 33	<b>—</b>	
Building materials Page 33	☑ Up to \$2,000	×
Environmental improvements Page 34	☑ Up to \$5,000	☑ 3 star+ appliances
Claim preparation fees Page 34	✓ Up to \$5,000	<b>☑</b> Up to \$5,000
Additional covers	Buildings	Contents
Motor burnout Page 35	Less than 15 years old	Less than 15 years old
Default	<b>✓</b> \$12,500 <b>contents</b>	×
contents cover Page 35	(if only <b>buildings</b> cover is	
•	taken out)	□ 11 · 450.000
Chemical contamination Page 36	☑ Up to \$50,000	☑ Up to \$50,000
Fumigation costs Page 36	☑ Up to \$2,500	☑ Up to \$2,500
Malicious damage or vandalism to body corporate building Page 37	×	☑ Up to \$25,000
to body corporate building Page 37 Keys and locks Page 37	☑ Up to \$1,000	☑ Up to \$1,000
Fire brigade attendance fees Page 37	☑ Up to \$2,000	☑ Up to \$2,000
Tax audit Page 37	✓ Up to \$5,000	✓ Up to \$5,000

Optional covers	Buildings and/o	or Contents	
Theft by tenant: Page 39	<b>Optional</b> Up to	buildings or contents SI	
<ul> <li>Additional benefit:</li> </ul>			
(a) Legal expenses	Up to \$5,000		
Loss of rent: Page 40	Optional		
<ul><li>Property uninhabitable</li></ul>	Up to 24 months (long term tenancy)		
or <b>untenantable</b>	•	hs or \$50,000 ( <b>short term tenancy</b> )	
<ul><li>Prevention of access</li></ul>	•	hs (long term tenancy)	
		hs or \$50,000 (short term tenancy)	
Death of tenant (long term tenancy)		s (long term tenancy)	
<ul> <li>Death of tenant (short term tenancy)</li> </ul>		s or \$10,000 (short term tenancy)	
<ul> <li>Murder or suicide</li> </ul>	•	hs (long term tenancy)	
(or attempt at either)		hs or \$50,000 (short term tenancy)	
Partial loss of rent		s (long term tenancy)	
<ul> <li>Failure to vacate - short term tenancy</li> <li>Rent default: Page 47</li> </ul>		s or \$10,000 (short term tenancy)	
	•	\$12,000 in total per claim	
<ul><li>Defaulting tenant</li><li>Vacating without notice</li></ul>	Up to \$12,000 (long term tenancy)		
Eviction of tenant	Up to \$12,000 (long term tenancy)		
- Eviction of tenant	Up to \$12,000, maximum 2 weeks for <b>notice to leave</b> ( <b>long term tenancy</b> )		
Failure to vacate - long term tenancy	Up to \$12,000 (long term tenancy)		
Hardship	Up to 6 weeks or \$12,000 (long term tenancy)		
Additional benefits:	op to o weeke	or \$12,000 (rong term temanoy)	
(a) Legal expenses	Up to \$5,000		
(b) Representation costs	Up to \$500		
(c) Replacements of locks	Up to \$250		
(d) Removal/storage of goods	Up to \$500		
(e) Cleaning expenses	Up to \$500		
(f) Re-letting expenses	Up to \$500		
Optional covers	Buildings	Contents	
Special contents Page 52	×	Optional	
		Up to specified value	
Legal Liability	Buildings	Contents	
Cover for legal liability Page 53	☑ Up to \$30 m	illion	
Additional benefits:			
(a) Defence costs Page 55	$\overline{\checkmark}$	lacksquare	
(b) Expenses incurred	☑ Up to \$250 p	per day,	
in attending court Page 55	\$5,000 in tot		

#### WHO WE COVER

In this policy you/your means all the people named as the insured on your policy schedule.

#### WHERE WE COVER

#### Cover at the insured address

Your buildings and/or contents are covered at the insured address, as shown on your policy schedule.

If you have contents cover, your contents items are covered while they are inside a building that is fully enclosed at the **insured address**. They may also be covered in the open air at the **insured address** subject to the limitations and exclusions in the 'Contents in the open air' section below.

There is no cover for **your contents** when they are away from the **insured address** (either temporarily or permanently removed).

## Contents in the open air

If you have contents cover, your contents items are covered while they are in the open air at the insured address.

The most we will pay for **contents** in the open air in any one claim is \$2,500.

#### BUILDINGS COVER

## What are buildings

Only the following items at the **insured address** are included in the definition of **buildings**:

- residential buildings including any professional offices or surgeries in those buildings;
- domestic outbuildings, including garages, carports and sheds;
- fixed coverings to walls, floors (including installed floating floorboards) and ceilings. These do not
  include fixed carpets, loose floor coverings, curtains or internal blinds, unless you are the
  contracting seller or purchaser of the buildings, in which case these items will be deemed
  buildings until settlement;
- infrastructure for services, including infrastructure for the supply of electricity, gas, water, the internet and telephone;
- items built in, or fixed to, or on, the buildings such as built-in wardrobes, kitchen cupboards and permanently connected appliances;
- blinds or awnings on the outside of the buildings;
- landscaping, paved terraces, paved pathways and paved driveways (excluding gravel driveways), retaining walls, fences and gates entirely or partly at the insured address;
- jetties, wharfs, pontoons and moorings, used for domestic purposes only, where:
  - they are located within the boundaries of the insured address; or
  - part of their structure begins or terminates on the insured address; or
  - you are legally responsible for them and they are within 200m of the insured address; and
- anything permanently built, permanently constructed or permanently installed on your property for domestic purposes, including in ground swimming pools and spas (and their fixed accessories), tennis courts, decks, pergolas, clothes lines, play equipment, and fixed rainwater tanks, solar panels or hot water systems.

## What are not buildings

The following items at the **insured address** are not included in the definition of **buildings**:

- property that a tenant is liable for under the terms of the rental agreement, other than any items in the list of 'What are buildings' above;
- portable electrical equipment which normally attaches to a power point only;
- fixed carpets, loose floor coverings, curtains or internal blinds (see 'What are contents' below);
- plants, shrubs or trees, except as provided for under the additional benefit 'Plants, trees & shrubs' (see page 32);
- loose or compacted soil, lawn, grass, artificial grass, gravel, pebbles, rocks, unpaved paths, unpaved driveways or granular rubber;
- a hotel, motel, bed & breakfast, homestay, hostel, boarding house or guest house;
- residential flats, units or town houses, which are part of a strata title development, other than structural domestic improvements that belong to you and which the body corporate is not legally responsible to insure;
- anything defined in this policy as contents; or
- any items which are not expressly set out in the list of 'What are buildings' above.

## **CONTENTS COVER**

#### What are contents

Only the following items are included in the definition of **contents**:

- household goods that you own or are legally responsible for that are not fixed or fitted to your buildings, including fridges, washing machines, and dryers;
- fixed carpets, loose floor coverings, curtains and internal blinds;
- furniture and furnishings, that are not built in;
- portable domestic appliances and utensils that are not built in;
- portable electrical equipment which normally attaches to a power point only;
- swimming pools, saunas and spas, that are not permanently installed, including their accessories;
- if you are the owner of a strata title unit:
  - fixtures and fittings; and
  - internal paintwork and wallpaper; and
  - structural domestic improvements;

that have been installed within or attached to the property at the **insured address**, and that belong to **you**, and which the body corporate is not legally responsible to insure;

- pedal cycles, surfboards, sailboards, surf skis, ocean skis, kayaks, canoes and stand up paddleboards. <u>These items are subject to the limits shown below in the 'Contents with fixed limits' section (see page 28); and</u>
- 'special contents' which are listed on your policy schedule.

#### What are not contents

The following items are not included in the definition of **contents**:

- jewellery or watches;
- unset precious or semi-precious stones;
- items that contain gold or silver, other than those thinly covered with gold or silver;
- collections of stamps, medals or coins;
- money, bullion or negotiable instruments, such as cash, smart cards, or vouchers;
- items of clothing, furs, personal effects or documents of any kind;
- mobile phones or computers;
- plants or trees growing outdoors. This does not include plants or trees growing in pots or tubs;
- animals, including birds or fish;
- equipment for taking photographs, including accessories and unprocessed film;
- sporting equipment (other than those listed in 'What are contents' above);
- motor vehicles, motorcycles, mini-bikes or motorised go-karts (other than ride-on mowers), whether they are capable of being registered or not;
- caravans or trailers:
- aircraft (including drones or model aircraft),
- watercraft (including jet skis);
- unfixed building materials, such as bricks, tiles or timber, except to the extent covered under the additional benefit titled 'Building materials' on page 33;
- anything defined as buildings; or
- any items which are not expressly set out in the list of 'What are contents' above.

## The most we will pay for contents claims

#### **Contents with fixed limits**

Contents items shown in the following table have fixed limits which determine the most we will pay for those items

These limits cannot be increased.

Contents item	Fixed limit
<ul> <li>Pedal cycles</li> <li>Surfboards</li> <li>Sailboards</li> <li>Surf skis</li> <li>Ocean skis</li> <li>Kayaks</li> <li>Canoes</li> <li>Stand up paddleboards</li> </ul>	\$2,000 in total per claim

#### Contents with flexible limits

For **contents** items covered under this policy other than:

- the contents items listed in the 'Contents with fixed limits' above:
- fixed carpets;
- loose floor coverings;
- curtains; or
- internal blinds:

the most **we** will pay for any one item, pair, set, collection or system is **\$20,000** unless **you** have asked **us** to increase the limit, and **we** have agreed and provided **you** with an updated **policy schedule**. Please refer to the optional cover 'Special contents' on page 52 for more details on increasing limits.

When you ask us to increase the limit for any of these items:

- we may ask for, and you will need to pay us, an additional premium;
- they will be shown on your policy schedule as 'Special contents'; and
- your policy schedule will show the specified value each item is insured for this value is the most we will pay for that item.

If you do not ask us to increase the limit for any of these items then the limit of \$20,000 will apply.

#### WHAT YOU ARE COVERED FOR

## What you are covered for - buildings or contents

If you select cover:

- only for your buildings, the cover provided under this policy for destruction, loss or damage does not apply to any contents; or
- only for your contents, the cover provided under this policy for destruction, loss or damage does not apply to any buildings.

Your policy schedule will show if you have buildings and/or contents cover.

Subject to the terms, conditions, limits and exclusions of the policy, **your buildings** or **contents**, as shown on **your policy schedule**, will be covered if they are accidentally destroyed, accidentally lost or accidentally damaged during the **period of insurance**. This includes **deliberate or intentional damage** and **malicious damage or vandalism**.

However, in certain circumstances the cover will only apply when specific conditions are met:

Landslide or subsidence

The cover for landslide or subsidence only applies if the loss or damage occurs within **72 hours** of, and as a direct result of, one of the following:

- storm including rainwater, hail, snow or wind;
- flood:
- earthquake or tsunami;
- explosion; or
- escape of liquid from a fixed pipe or something attached to a pipe, fixed gutter, fixed tank apparatus or drain.

#### Unoccupied buildings

You are not covered for destruction, loss or damage if the **buildings** at the **insured address** have not been **occupied** for a continuous period of **100 days** or more, unless the destruction, loss or damage is a direct result of:

- earthquake or tsunami;
- lightning or thunderbolt;
- riot or civil commotion; or
- impact by a vehicle, aircraft, watercraft, space debris, rocket, satellite or a tree branch;
   however we will not cover any subsequent resultant damage (for example, water entering the buildings following earthquake damage) unless reasonable steps have been taken to prevent subsequent and resultant damage.

If the **buildings** at the **insured address** are not going to be **occupied** for more than **100 days** then **you** can ask **us** to provide cover and if **we** agree to do so **we** will advise **you** in writing.

The cover that is provided under this policy should also be considered in conjunction with the 'What you are not covered for – buildings or contents' section (page 30) and the 'General exclusions' section (beginning on page 58).

## What you are not covered for - buildings or contents

In addition to the 'General exclusions' section (beginning on page 58) **we** will not provide cover for **your buildings** or **contents**, when they are destroyed, lost or damaged by any of the following events:

- landslide or subsidence, except as described in the 'What you are covered for' section above;
- erosion:
- settling, shrinkage or any movement of the earth;
- water entering the building through any opening made for the purposes of building repairs or renovation;
- rust, corrosion, gradual deterioration, depreciation, wear or tear;
- insects, vermin or rodents, however we will cover any resulting damage from a fire or escape of liquid that is caused by them;
- roots from trees, plants, shrubs or grass. However, this exclusion only applies to damage caused directly by the roots. For example, if tree roots damage and block a pipe, we will pay for the resultant damage to the buildings caused by the water overflowing into the buildings. We will not pay for the damage to the pipe;
- gradual or repeated exposure to smoke or fire;
- any process of cleaning involving the use of chemicals other than domestic household chemicals;
- a defect in an item, structural fault, poor or faulty design specification, materials, planning or workmanship. We will not apply this exclusion to resultant damage that is otherwise covered under this policy, where you were not and could not have been reasonably aware of the problem leading up to the incident. We will not pay the cost of the rectification of the defect, structural fault, design fault, material or planning itself. Once you are aware of the problem, you need to fix it within a reasonable time period; failing which, we may not accept any future claims caused by the same or related problem. A reasonable time period depends on a number of factors, including the scope of the required repairs and the availability of repairers in your area;
- theft by your tenant, unless we have provided you the ability to select the optional cover for 'Theft by tenant' (see page 39) and you have selected it, in which case the level of cover provided is detailed in that section:
- scratching, denting, chipping, rubbing or scuffing any surface by your tenants, their children, their visitors or their visitor's children;
- scratching, biting, chewing, clawing, pecking or scuffing, by your tenant's pets or their visitor's pets;
- mechanical or electrical breakdown (other than an electric motor burning out as covered under the additional cover 'Motor burnout' on page 35). However, this exclusion does not apply to the resultant loss or damage to your buildings.

#### ADDITIONAL BENEFITS

If we accept your claim for your buildings or contents being accidentally destroyed, accidentally lost or accidentally damaged during the **period of insurance**, we will also provide the following additional benefits. These additional benefits will be paid in addition to the **buildings** or **contents** sum insureds shown on **your policy schedule**, up to the limits shown below for each of the additional benefits.

There are some things which are excluded under these additional benefits and these are shown below. In addition, the terms in the 'General exclusions' section beginning on page 58 should also be referred to when determining whether any additional benefit will be paid.

## Sum insured safety net

If you have cover for your buildings and:

- they are accidentally destroyed or accidentally damaged; and
- we determine that the cost of repairing or replacing your buildings exceeds the buildings sum insured shown on your policy schedule;

then we will pay up to 30% more than the buildings sum insured to either:

- repair or replace your buildings; or
- pay the cash settlement value if we agree to pay it.

This additional benefit does not change the **buildings** sum insured that is used in determining any other additional benefit or additional cover – they will be calculated based on the **buildings** sum insured shown on **your policy schedule**.

**You** must ensure that if **you** make any changes to **your buildings** such as renovations to increase their size or quality, then the **buildings** sum insured on **your** policy is updated to reflect these changes.

## Removal of debris

If **you** have cover for **your buildings** and they are accidentally destroyed or accidentally damaged then **we** will pay the reasonable costs to:

- make the insured address safe (such as temporary fencing to restrict access); and/or
- demolish, remove and dispose of any building debris that was caused by it being accidentally destroyed or accidentally damaged.

If you have cover for your contents and they are accidentally destroyed, accidentally lost or accidentally damaged, we will pay the reasonable costs to:

remove and dispose of any damaged contents items.

#### Excess waiver for total loss

If you have cover for your buildings or contents and you have a claim where we pay the full amount of the buildings sum insured or the contents sum insured shown on your policy schedule then you are not required to pay an excess on that claim.

## Rebuilding fees

If **you** have cover for **your buildings** and they are accidentally destroyed or accidentally damaged then **we** will pay the reasonable costs of:

- fees charged by architects, surveyors or engineers; and
- legal fees or fees charged by statutory authorities, that arise in respect of the reinstatement of your buildings.

## Meeting building regulations

If **you** have cover for **your buildings** and they are accidentally destroyed or accidentally damaged then **we** will pay the reasonable costs to meet current building regulations or laws that are required when they are being rebuilt or repaired.

The most we will pay is 20% of the buildings sum insured shown on your policy schedule.

We will not pay any costs associated with:

- building regulations or laws that were already in place when the buildings were originally built, or subsequently altered or renovated; or
- upgrading undamaged parts of your buildings to comply with current building regulations
  or laws.

## Plants, trees & shrubs

If **you** have cover for **your buildings** and they have been accidentally destroyed or accidentally damaged other than by **storm** or **flood** then **we** will pay the cost of replacing any plants, trees or shrubs that were damaged at the same time, up to **\$1,000** per plant and **\$2,000** in total per claim.

We will not pay any costs related to:

- lawns or grass;
- pot plants; or
- any plants that were being grown for commercial use.

## Prevention of further loss or damage

If **your buildings** or **contents** are lost or damaged and **we** have agreed that the loss or damage will be covered under this policy then **we** will pay the reasonable and necessary costs to protect **your buildings** or **contents** from further loss or damage until **your** claim is settled or this policy states otherwise.

## Mortgagee discharge costs

If **you** have cover for **your buildings** and **you** have a claim where **we** pay the full amount of the **buildings** sum insured shown on **your policy schedule** then **we** will pay the reasonable administration costs for **you** to discharge any mortgage over the **buildings**.

## Locating the source of escaped liquid

If **you** have cover for **your buildings** or **contents** and **we** accept a claim for damage caused by liquid escaping, leaking, overflowing or bursting from any of the following:

- house gutters, drainpipes or pipes;
- sanitary fixtures (such as toilets, sinks or baths);
- appliances (such as washing machines, refrigerators or dishwashers);
- swimming pools or spas;
- fixed heating systems; or
- fixed water tanks (but not water beds of any kind);

then **we** will also pay for the reasonable costs associated with locating the cause of the damage, and any damage to **your buildings** or **contents** caused while looking for the cause.

We will not pay under this additional cover:

- any costs associated with repairing or replacing the item from which the liquid escaped; or
- if you own the buildings under a strata plan, body corporate, stratum, company title arrangement or similar, and you do not own all of the buildings at the entire site. In that situation, we will only provide cover under the terms of this additional benefit if the body corporate's or similar common property management entity's insurance provider does not provide the type and level of cover described in this additional benefit.

## **Building materials**

If **you** have cover for **your buildings** and the following items are accidentally destroyed, accidentally lost or accidentally damaged then **we** will pay the cost of replacing them:

- unfixed building materials such as bricks, tiles or timber; or
- gas or electrical appliances that were due to be fitted to your buildings, such as a dishwasher or
  oven, provided they were in a locked and fully enclosed building.

The most we will pay is \$2,000 per period of insurance.

We will not pay any costs related to sand, gravel, bark, soil or similar materials.

## **Environmental improvements**

If **you** have **buildings** cover and **your buildings** are totally destroyed then **we** will pay up to **\$5,000** of **your** net costs in purchasing and installing environmental improvements such as rainwater tanks, solar power systems or grey water recycling systems.

Net costs are the costs after any rebates **you** were eligible for at the date of the loss under any government or council schemes.

If **you** have **contents** cover and **we** have agreed to replace any refrigerators, washing machines, clothes dryers or dishwashers that have been lost or damaged then **we** will replace them with items that have at least a 3-star energy rating regardless of whether the original item had such a rating.

## Claim preparation fees

**We** will pay professional fees which **you** incur, with **our** consent, in the preparation of **your** claim. The most **we** will pay in a **period of insurance** is **\$5,000**.

#### ADDITIONAL COVERS

This policy also provides the following additional covers. These additional covers can be claimed for without there being any loss or damage to **your buildings** or **contents** as defined in the previous sections.

This section shows what is covered under each of these additional covers, and what limitations or exclusions there are. In addition, the terms in the 'General exclusions' section beginning on page 58 should also be referred to when determining whether any additional cover will be paid.

#### **Motor burnout**

If an electric motor in household equipment or appliances which is less than **15 years** old is burnt out or fused during the **period of insurance** then **we** will pay the reasonable costs to repair or replace it.

If the electric motor is part of **your buildings** then **you** must have **buildings** cover in order to claim for motor burnout. The **excess** payable will be the **buildings excess** shown on **your policy schedule**.

If the electric motor is part of **your contents** then **you** must have **contents** cover in order to claim for motor burnout. The **excess** payable will be the **contents excess** shown on **your policy schedule**.

If an electric motor cannot be repaired or replaced, **we** will pay the reasonable replacement cost of an equivalent motor. **We** will not pay for the replacement of the whole appliance unless its reasonable replacement cost is less than it would to repair or replace the motor.

We will not cover any electric motors that:

- form part of equipment used in conjunction with your business, trade, or profession; or
- are more than 15 years old.

We will not pay for any costs:

- where you can recover under a manufacturer's guarantee or warranty; or
- associated with extracting or reinstalling a submersible or underground motor or pump.

The relevant **buildings excess** or **contents excess** will apply to any claims under this additional cover.

#### Default contents cover

If you have selected to have cover for your buildings only (i.e. you have not selected to have cover for your contents) then, subject to the terms, conditions, limits and exclusions of this policy, we will provide a default sum insured amount of \$12,500 contents cover.

If **your contents** at the **insured address** are insured under another policy, **we** will only pay under this additional cover once the cover under that policy has been fully exhausted.

The **excess** payable on any claims under this additional cover will be the **buildings excess** shown on **your policy schedule**.

#### Chemical contamination cover

If **your buildings** and/or **contents** suffer chemical contamination as a result of the manufacturing, storage or distribution of any controlled drug at the **insured address**, **we** will pay up to **\$50,000** during any one **period of insurance** for clean up costs to remove or mitigate the contamination or pollution.

**You** can only claim under this additional cover if <u>all</u> of the following conditions have been met:

- the property at the insured address is rented on a long term tenancy (and this is shown on your policy schedule) and a valid rental agreement is in place; and
- you or your property manager have acted immediately once aware of the contamination at the insured address; and
- the manufacturing, storage or distribution operation at the insured address was discovered by the
  police (or relevant authority), or has been referred to the police (or relevant authority) for
  investigation since it was discovered; and
- an assessment by a suitably qualified professional has confirmed that the property at the insured address has been contaminated as a result of the manufacture, storage or distribution of a controlled drug; and
- you or your property manager have:
  - (a) conducted pre-tenancy checks for all adult tenants on the rental agreement, including written or verbal references, and the outcomes of these checks have been documented;
  - (b) inspected the property at the **insured address**:
    - between every change of **tenant**; and
    - within the first 6 months of any new rental agreement; and
    - at a minimum every 12 months during the period of the tenancy (including when on a periodic tenancy agreement).

As part of assessing a claim under this additional cover **we** may require **you** to provide evidence and/or copies of reports in relation these pre-tenancy checks and inspections. Failure to do so may result in a claim under this additional cover being denied.

If **we** accept a claim under this additional cover, **we** will reimburse the cost incurred in seeking an assessment by a suitably qualified professional to confirm the contamination (within the **\$50,000** limit).

We will not pay any claim under this additional cover where:

- the property is let on a **short term tenancy**; or
- there is no valid **rental agreement** in place; or
- you or your property manager have not complied with the conditions mentioned above with respect to pre-tenancy checks and property inspections.

The excess payable on any claims under this additional cover will be the greater of:

- the **buildings excess** shown on **your policy schedule** (if **buildings** cover has been selected); and
- the contents excess shown on your policy schedule (if contents cover has been selected).

## **Fumigation costs**

We will pay reasonable costs up to \$2,500 for fumigating and cleaning your buildings and/or contents following the accidental death of your tenant at the insured address during the period of insurance.

# Malicious damage or vandalism to body corporate building

If you have cover for your contents and:

- a tenant or a visitor of the tenant causes damage to the body corporate building; and
- the damage is malicious damage or vandalism; and
- you are determined to be legally liable for the damage;

then we will pay up to \$25,000.

The amount **we** pay under this additional cover is in addition to the **contents** sum insured.

This additional cover does not apply to damage that results from **deliberate or intentional damage**.

The excess payable on any claims under this additional cover will be the **contents excess** shown on **your policy schedule**.

# Keys and locks

If a key to an external door lock or external window lock is stolen as a result of burglary or a house break-in during the **period of insurance** then **we** will pay the reasonable and necessary costs up to **\$1,000** to replace the external lock, key or cylinder with a similar item.

No excess applies when you claim under this additional cover only.

# Fire brigade attendance fees

**We** will pay reasonable costs up to **\$2,000** for a fire brigade or similar authorised organisation to attend and protect **your buildings** or **contents** against an actual fire or other emergency.

No excess applies when you claim under this additional cover only.

## Tax audit

**We** will pay for the fees **you** must pay to an accountant when **your** financial affairs are audited by the Australian Tax Office in respect of the property at the **insured address** shown on **your policy schedule**.

**You** must advise **us** of any such audit prior to the fees being incurred.

We will not pay claims for:

- any audit that relates to a criminal prosecution;
- fees where the final assessment of your taxable income for the period being audited is 20%, or more, higher than your original declaration;
- fees incurred in relation to any enquiries from the Australian Taxation Office which are not related to an identified intention to conduct an audit;
- fees for work performed outside the time limits allowed by the Australian Taxation Office; or
- any fines, penalties or adjustments of taxation.

The most we will pay under this additional cover is \$5,000 during any one period of insurance.

No excess applies when you claim under this additional cover only.

## **OPTIONAL COVERS**

We may provide you the ability to add one or more of the following optional covers to your policy. If we do provide the option and you ask us to add the optional cover then we will require an additional premium and the details of the optional cover added will be shown on your policy schedule. If these optional covers are not shown on your policy schedule then they have not been added to your policy and the coverage described in this section does not apply.

This section shows what is covered under each of these optional covers if they have been added to **your** policy, and what limitations or exclusions there are. In addition, the terms in the 'General exclusions' section beginning on page 58 should also be referred to when determining whether any purchased optional cover will be paid.

# Theft by tenant

The cover in this section applies only if **we** have provided the option for **you** to select cover for 'Theft by tenant' and **you** have added it and it is shown on **your policy schedule**.

You will be covered for theft of your buildings or contents by:

- your tenant, including their children; or
- a visitor of your tenant, including their children.

You must have selected **buildings** cover in order to claim for theft of any part of **your buildings** under this optional cover. The most **we** will pay is **your buildings** sum insured as shown on **your policy schedule** (less any applicable **excess**).

If you have selected **contents** cover then the most you can claim for theft of any of your **contents** under this optional cover is the **contents** sum insured as shown on your policy schedule (less any applicable **excess**).

If **you** have selected cover for **your buildings** only, then under this optional cover **you** can claim up to the limit of the additional cover 'Default contents cover' (see page 35) (less any applicable **excess**) for theft of any of **your contents**.

#### Additional benefits - theft by tenant

When we pay a claim for 'theft by tenant', we will also pay the following additional benefits:

## Legal expenses

Up to **\$5,000** in legal expenses per claim that **you** incur to recover or attempt to recover amounts for items stolen by **your tenant** (including their children) or a visitor of **your tenant** (including their children). **We** will only pay these legal expenses if **we** agreed to pay them prior to them being incurred.

## Excess payable – theft by tenant

Where a claim for 'theft by tenant' relates to separate identifiable events, an **excess** will be payable for each event, up to a maximum of the following in total for the claim:

- the buildings excess shown on your policy schedule (if buildings cover has been selected and there is damage or loss to your buildings);
- the contents excess shown on your policy schedule (if contents cover has been selected and there is damage or loss to your contents); or
- \$1,000.

#### Loss of rent

The cover in this section applies only if **we** have provided the option for **you** to select cover for 'Loss of rent' and **you** have added it and it is shown on **your policy schedule**. The insured events that are covered under this optional cover are listed below.

#### Property uninhabitable or untenantable

#### **Insured** event

- Your buildings or contents are accidentally destroyed or accidentally damaged in accordance with the section 'What you are covered for' on page 29; and
- Your property at the insured address is uninhabitable or untenantable, as a result of that damage or destruction.

#### What we will cover - long term or permanent tenancy

If the property at the **insured address** is let as a **long term tenancy** (and this is shown on **your policy schedule**), **we** will pay the **weekly rental amount** for the period:

- from the latter of:
  - when the damage or destruction occurred;
  - when the property became uninhabitable or untenantable;
- until the first of these events occurs:
  - the repair or replacement of the buildings or contents has been completed;
  - the property becomes tenantable;
  - the property is re-let;
  - we have been paying the weekly rental amount for 24 months.

When the property becomes tenantable following the completion of the repairs or replacement, we will also pay the weekly rental amount for up to 2 additional weeks while the property is being relet. You or your property manager must take reasonable and active steps to attempt to re-let the property during this period. Cover will cease once it has been re-let.

The most we will pay under this insured event will be an amount equivalent to **24 months** of the weekly rental amount.

#### What we will cover - short term tenancy or holiday let

If the property at the **insured address** is let as a **short term tenancy** (and this is shown on **your policy schedule**), **we** will pay the loss of rent reasonably expected to have been received during the period:

- from the latter of:
  - when the damage or destruction occurred;
  - when the property became uninhabitable or untenantable;
- until the first of these events occurs:
  - the repair or replacement of the buildings or contents has been completed;
  - the property becomes tenantable;
  - a new short term booking at the property begins;
  - 24 months has passed; or
  - the limit for this insured event is reached

The most we will pay under this insured event will be \$50,000 in any one period of insurance.

#### Prevention of access

#### **Insured** event

- Another property near the insured address is accidentally destroyed or damaged; and
- That damage or destruction would have been covered under this policy in accordance with the section 'What you are covered for' on page 29 if it had occurred at the insured address; and
- Your tenants are prevented access to your property at the insured address as a result.

#### What we will cover - long term or permanent tenancy

If the property at the **insured address** is let as a **long term tenancy** (and this is shown on **your policy schedule**), **we** will pay the **weekly rental amount** for the period:

- from the latter of:
  - when the damage or destruction to the nearby property occurred;
  - when access to the property at the insured address was prevented;
- until the first of these events occurs:
  - access to the insured address has been restored;
  - we have been paying the weekly rental amount for 24 months.

The most we will pay in this insured event will be an amount equivalent to **24 months** of the weekly rental amount.

#### What we will cover - short term tenancy or holiday let

If the property at the **insured address** is let as a **short term tenancy** (and this is shown on **your policy schedule**), **we** will pay the loss of rent reasonably expected to have been received during the period:

- from the latter of:
  - when the damage or destruction to the nearby property occurred;
  - when access to the property at the insured address was prevented;
- until the first of these events occurs:
  - access to the insured address has been restored;
  - 24 months has passed; or
  - the limit for this insured event is reached.

The most we will pay in this insured event will be \$50,000 in any one period of insurance.

#### Death of tenant - long term or permanent tenancy

#### **Insured** event

The death of your tenant who is the sole person listed on the rental agreement.

#### What we will cover - long term or permanent residency

If the property at the **insured address** is let as a **long term tenancy** (and this is shown on **your policy schedule**), **we** will pay the **weekly rental amount** for the period:

- from the date to which rent had been paid up to;
- until the first of these events occurs:
  - the property is re-let;
  - we have been paying the weekly rental amount for 15 weeks.

The most we will pay in this insured event will be an amount equivalent to **15 weeks** of the weekly rental amount.

#### Death of tenant - short term tenancy or holiday let

#### **Insured** event

• The death of **your tenant** or a member of **your tenant's family**, during the period they are occupying the property at the **insured address**.

#### What we will cover - short term tenancy or holiday let

If the property at the **insured address** is let as a **short term tenancy** (and this is shown on **your policy schedule**), **we** will pay the loss of rent associated with the period:

- from the date of death:
- until the first of these events occurs:
  - the end of the contracted rental booking;
  - a new booking commences at the property;
  - 12 weeks has passed; or
  - the limit for this insured event is reached.

The most we will pay in this insured event will be \$10,000 in any one period of insurance.

#### Murder or suicide (or attempted murder or suicide)

#### **Insured** event

- There is a murder or suicide (or an attempt at either) at the property at the insured address; and
- The property is temporarily untenantable as a result of that murder or suicide (or that attempt at either).

#### What we will cover - long term or permanent tenancy

If the property at the **insured address** is let as a **long term tenancy** (and this is shown on **your policy schedule**), **we** will pay the **weekly rental amount** for the period:

- from the date of the murder or suicide (or attempt at either);
- until the first of these events occurs:
  - the property becomes tenantable;
  - the property is re-let;
  - we have been paying the weekly rental amount for 24 months.

The most we will pay in this insured event will be an amount equivalent to **24 months** of the weekly rental amount.

#### What we will cover - short term tenancy or holiday let

If the property at the **insured address** is let as a **short term tenancy** (and this is shown on **your policy schedule**), **we** will pay the loss of rent reasonably expected to have been received during the period:

- from the date of the murder or suicide (or attempt at either);
- until the first of these events occurs:
  - the property becomes tenantable;
  - the property is re-let;
  - 24 months has passed; or
  - the limit for this insured event is reached.

The most we will pay in this insured event will be \$50,000 in any one period of insurance.

#### Partial loss of rent

#### **Insured** event

- Your buildings or contents are accidentally destroyed or accidentally damaged in accordance with the section 'What you are covered for' on page 29; and
- Your buildings or contents remain inhabitable and tenantable, however the damage or destruction means that your tenant does not have full use of all aspects of the buildings or contents; and
- You have agreed to reduce the rent payable by the tenant during the period until the buildings
  or contents are repaired; and
- We have agreed that the reduction in rent is reasonable given the loss of use due to the damage or destruction.

#### What we will cover - long term or permanent tenancy

If the property at the **insured address** is let as a **long term tenancy** (and this is shown on **your policy schedule**), **we** will pay the reduced portion of the **weekly rental amount** for the period:

- from when the damage or destruction occurred;
- until the first of these events occurs:
  - the repair or replacement of the buildings or contents has been completed;
  - we have been paying the reduced proportion of the weekly rental amount for 10 weeks

#### Example:

- The weekly rental amount is \$1,000;
- One bedroom is damaged and unable to be used until repairs are complete;
- That bedroom represents approximately **25%** of the overall size of the property;
- You have agreed with the tenant to reduce the rent by \$250 until the bedroom can be lived in again, and we agree that is reasonable;
- We will pay \$250 per week until the repairs are complete, for up to 10 weeks.

## What we will not cover - short term tenancy or holiday let

There is no cover under this insured event if the property is let as a **short term tenancy**.

#### Failure to vacate - short term tenancy or holiday let

#### **Insured** event

 Your tenant fails to vacate the property at the insured address at the end of a short term tenancy.

# What we will cover - short term tenancy or holiday let

If the property at the **insured address** is let as a **short term tenancy** (and this is shown on **your policy schedule**), **we** will pay the loss of rent reasonably expected to have been received during the period:

- from the day after the documented rental booking ceases;
- until the first of these events occurs:
  - the **tenant** vacates the property;
  - 10 weeks has passed; or
  - the limit for this insured event is reached.

The most we will pay in this insured event will be \$10,000 in any one period of insurance.

#### What we will not cover - long term or permanent tenancy

There is no cover under this insured event if the property is let as a **long term tenancy**.

If we have provided the ability for you to select the optional cover for 'Rent default' and you have added it to your policy, then you may have cover under the 'Failure to vacate – long term or permanent tenancy' insured event (see page 49).

#### Excess payable - loss of rent

No excess applies when you claim under the 'loss of rent' optional cover only.

If a claim under the 'loss of rent' optional cover also includes loss, damage or destruction covered under the 'What you are covered for' section (see page 29) then the **excess** payable for that claim will be as detailed in the 'Excesses' section on page 11.

#### Claims payment basis - loss of rent

If **you** are entitled to use **bond money** to pay for or reduce the cost of **your** loss of rent, the amount **we** pay for a claim under the 'loss of rent' optional cover will be reduced by the balance (if any) of any **bond money** remaining after deduction of:

- allowable re-letting expenses; and
- any other costs or expenses you are legally entitled to deduct from the bond money.

#### Estimated loss of rent on a short term basis

If the property at the **insured address** is let on a **short term basis** (and this is shown on **your policy schedule**), and there is a claim payable for loss of rent from one of the insured events in this section **we** will estimate the loss of rent during the period for which the loss of rent benefit is payable (as defined in each event above).

In determining the estimated loss of rent during this period, we may take into consideration:

- documented rental bookings during the period;
- prior rental history at the property during recent comparable periods (if any);
- the rental history and occupancy rates of similar properties at the same location, including any seasonality.

**We** may engage a suitably qualified professional in the region to help assess the estimated loss of rent.

#### Rent default

The cover in this section applies only if **we** have provided the option for **you** to select cover for 'Rent default' and **you** have added it and it is shown on **your policy schedule**.

The insured events that are covered under this optional cover are listed below.

There is no cover provided under this optional cover if the property at the **insured address** is let as a **short term tenancy**. The property at the **insured address** must be let as a **long term tenancy** with a valid **rental agreement** in place.

In addition to the particulars of the insured events covered, there are conditions which must be met to ensure that a claim under the 'rent default' optional cover can be made. Please see the section 'Conditions – rent default' on page 51 for the specific conditions required. A failure to meet these conditions may mean that **we** can refuse to pay a claim under this optional cover or reduce the amount of the claim.

Please refer to the section 'Excess payable – rent default' on page 51 for more details on the **excess** payable for claims under this optional cover.

#### The most we will cover - rent default

The most we will pay, in total, under the rent default insured events below is \$12,000 per claim.

When **we** pay a claim under this optional cover, there are some additional benefits which **we** will also pay (where relevant). More details of the 'Additional benefits – rent default' are shown on page 50.

### **Defaulting tenant**

#### **Insured** event

- Your tenant either:
  - stops paying the rent that is owed under the rental agreement; or
  - vacates your buildings after giving you or your property manager the required notice in accordance with the rental agreement but leaving unpaid rent; or
  - vacates your buildings at the end of the tenancy period leaving unpaid rent.

#### What we will cover – long term or permanent tenancy

If the property at the **insured address** is let as a **long term tenancy** (and this is shown on **your policy schedule**), **we** will pay the **weekly rental amount** for the period:

- from the date to which rent had been paid up to;
- until the first of these events occurs:
  - the property is re-let;
  - the tenant's rental agreement expires;
  - the tenant recommences paying rent as per the rental agreement.

#### What we will not cover - short term tenancy or holiday let

There is no cover under this insured event if the property is let on a **short term tenancy**.

#### Vacating without notice

#### **Insured** event

 Your tenant vacates your buildings prior to the end of the tenancy period without giving you or your property manager the required notice in accordance with the rental agreement.

#### What we will cover - long term or permanent tenancy

If the property at the **insured address** is let as a **long term tenancy** (and this is shown on **your policy schedule**), **we** will pay the **weekly rental amount** for the period:

- from the date to which rent had been paid up to:
- until the first of these events occurs:
  - the property is re-let;
  - the tenant's rental agreement expires.

#### What we will not cover - short term tenancy or holiday let

There is no cover under this insured event if the property is let on a **short term tenancy**.

#### **Eviction of tenant**

#### **Insured** event

- Your tenant is legally evicted from your buildings by:
  - a notice to leave from you or your property manager; or
  - an order from a court, residential tenancies tribunal or other relevant authority.

#### What we will cover - long term or permanent tenancy

If the property at the **insured address** is let as a **long term tenancy** (and this is shown on **your policy schedule**), then:

- (1) when the eviction is due to an order from a court, residential tenancies tribunal or other relevant authority, **we** will pay the **weekly rental amount** for the period:
- from the date to which rent had been paid up to;
- until the first of these events occurs:
  - the property is re-let; or
  - the tenant's rental agreement expires;

or

(2) when the eviction is due to a notice to leave from you or your property manager, we will pay the weekly rental amount for up to 2 weeks from the date your tenant vacates the property until the property is re-let.

#### What we will not cover - short term tenancy or holiday let

There is no cover under this insured event if the property is let on a **short term tenancy**.

#### Failure to vacate - long term or permanent tenancy

#### **Insured** event

- Your tenant stops paying the rent that is owed under the rental agreement; and
- Your tenant refuses to vacate your buildings after a lawful order from a court, residential tenancies tribunal or other relevant authority.

#### What we will cover - long term or permanent tenancy

If the property at the **insured address** is let as a **long term tenancy** (and this is shown on **your policy schedule**), **we** will pay the **weekly rental amount** for the period:

- from the date to which rent had been paid up to;
- until the property is re-let.

#### What we will not cover - short term tenancy or holiday let

There is no cover under this insured event if the property is let on a **short term tenancy**.

If we have provided the ability for you to select the optional cover for 'Loss of rent' and you have added it to your policy, then you may have cover under the 'Failure to vacate – short term tenancy or holiday let' insured event (see page 45).

# Hardship

#### **Insured** event

 A court, residential tenancies tribunal or other relevant authority legally terminates the rental agreement of your tenant on the grounds of hardship.

#### What we will cover - long term or permanent tenancy

If the property at the **insured address** is let as a **long term tenancy** (and this is shown on **your policy schedule**), **we** will pay the **weekly rental amount** for the period:

- from the date to which rent had been paid up to;
- until the first of these events occurs:
  - the property is re-let; or
  - we have been paying the weekly rental amount for 6 weeks.

When **we** pay a claim for 'rent default' under the insured event of hardship **we** will not hold **your tenant** responsible for any amount **we** pay **you**.

#### What we will not cover - short term tenancy or holiday let

There is no cover under this insured event if the property is let on a **short term tenancy**.

#### Additional benefits - rent default

When **we** pay a claim for any of the insured events listed under 'rent default', **we** will also pay the following additional benefits (where relevant):

#### Legal expenses

Up to \$5,000 in legal expenses per claim that you incur to:

- legally evict your tenants; or
- recover amounts owed to you by your tenants.

We will only pay these legal expenses if we agreed to pay them prior to them being incurred.

#### Representation costs

Up to \$500 per period of insurance for costs incurred as a result of:

- your property manager representing you at a court, residential tenancies tribunal or other relevant authority in order to obtain a court order against your tenant;
- engaging a bailiff or sheriff to evict your tenant.

This additional benefit is not payable if:

- the expense is already covered under the agreement between you and your property manager;
- the costs are incurred or charged by your property manager on your behalf.

#### Replacement of locks

Up to **\$250** per claim to replace the locks at **your buildings** where **your tenant** fails to return the keys or building access cards following one of the 'rent default' insured events listed above.

#### Removal and storage of goods

Up to **\$500** per tenancy for costs that are in excess of the **bond money** to remove and store the **tenant's** possessions where they are left at **your buildings** following the **tenant** vacating them.

This additional benefit is only payable if **you** are required to remove and store the possessions under the Residential Tenancies Act 2010 (NSW) (or other relevant legislation).

## Cleaning expenses

Up to **\$500** per tenancy for costs involved in cleaning the property if the **tenant** has vacated **your buildings** without cleaning them and as a result the property is **untenantable**.

We will not pay for:

- any cleaning associated with common areas or parts of your buildings that were not occupied by your tenant;
- any maintenance required, such as painting or redecorating.

#### **Re-letting expenses**

Up to **\$500** during a **period of insurance** for re-letting expenses that are in excess of the **bond money**, provided that:

- the bond money was equivalent to at least 4 weeks rent; and
- the bond money has been fully exhausted.

#### Excess payable - rent default

No excess applies when you claim under the 'rent default' optional cover only.

If a claim under the 'rent default' optional cover also includes loss, damage or destruction covered under the 'What you are covered for' section (see page 29) then the **excess** payable for that claim will be as detailed in the 'Excesses' section on page 11.

#### Claims payment basis - rent default

The amount we pay for a claim under the 'rent default' optional cover will be reduced by:

- the balance (if any) of any bond money remaining after deduction of:
  - allowable re-letting expenses; and
  - any other costs or expenses you are legally entitled to deduct from the bond money; and
- any break fee which the tenant has paid under the rental agreement.

#### Conditions - rent default

The following conditions must be met in order for a claim under the 'rent default' optional cover to be paid, or to ensure that any claim is paid in full.

#### You or your property manager must:

- ensure a valid written rental agreement is in place from the beginning of the tenancy;
- require bond money of an amount of at least 4 week's rent to be collected;
- actively seek to re-let the property whenever it is tenantable but unoccupied as a result of a 'rent default' insured event:
- take reasonable steps as soon as possible to repair any damage at the property at the insured address that may make it uninhabitable or untenantable;
- take reasonable steps legally available and in accordance with relevant state or territory tenancy laws (or other relevant legislation) to remedy any rent default insured events, including:
  - accessing any government benefits, subsidies or support packages available to you that
    may assist with negotiating temporary reductions in rent or temporary suspension of rent
    payments to assist your tenant remedying any rent default situations;
  - issuing all rent arrears and termination notices to your tenant in a timely manner;
  - pursuing a court or tribunal order in a timely manner following the expiry of a breach or termination notice.

Rent default cover will not apply if rent is in arrears as at the commencement of the **period of insurance**. In that situation, for rent default cover to commence **your tenant** must first pay the rent that was in arrears, and then pay the agreed rent as per the **rental agreement** for a period of four consecutive weeks. **You** are responsible for knowing whether rent is in arrears as at the commencement of the **period of insurance**, even if **you** utilise the services of a **property manager**.

If there are new **tenants** at the property, there is no rent default cover provided until the new **tenants** have successfully paid the agreed rent as per the **rental agreement** for a period of four consecutive weeks. Rent default cover does not cover any loss of rent for any period prior to the commencement of the **period of insurance**.

We will not pay any claim under the 'rent default' optional cover if your tenant leaves your property at the insured address with or without notice, and you have failed to take reasonable steps to rectify a Notice of Remedy breach issued by your tenant to you.

# **Special contents**

If you have contents cover and you have an item, pair, set, collection or system, that would be subject to the \$20,000 limit in the section 'Contents with flexible limits' (see page 28), you can ask us to insure this item, pair, set, collection, or system for a value higher than that limit.

If **we** agree to increase the limit for any of these 'special contents' items:

- we may ask for an additional premium and you will need to pay it to us;
- they will be shown on your policy schedule as 'special contents'; and
- **your policy schedule** will show the value each 'special contents' items is insured for. This value is the most **we** will pay for that item, pair, set, collection, or system.

If **you** choose to specify any special contents and **we** agree to provide cover for it, then it will be covered if it is accidentally destroyed, accidentally lost or accidentally damaged. Each special contents item will be covered at the **insured address** only (as defined in the 'Cover at the insured address' section of this policy on page 24).

## LEGAL LIABILITY

# What you are covered for - legal liability

The following covers are subject to the terms, conditions, limits and exclusions of the policy.

If **you** have **buildings** cover under this policy, **we** will cover **you** against any claim for compensation or expenses which **you** become legally liable to pay for as the owner or occupier of the **buildings** in respect of:

- the death of, or personal injury to, a person; or
- the damage to property;

resulting from an occurrence during the period of insurance at the insured address.

If you have contents cover under this policy and you own part of the buildings that has been subdivided, we will cover you against any claim for compensation or expenses which you become legally liable to pay for as the owner of your contents or resulting from the occupancy of your part of the buildings in respect of:

- the death of, or personal injury to, a person; or
- the damage to property;

resulting from an occurrence during the period of insurance at the insured address.

If **you** have only **contents** cover under this policy, **we** will cover **you** against any claim for compensation or expenses which **you** become legally liable to pay for in respect of:

- the death of, or personal injury to, a person; or
- the damage to property;

resulting from an **occurrence** that happens as a result of any defects in **your contents** during the **period of insurance** at the **insured address**.

If you have a car park at the **insured address** for your tenants or guests of your tenants, we will cover you against any claim for compensation or expenses which you become legally liable to pay for:

the damage to property;

resulting from an **occurrence** that happens while the property is in the car park at the **insured address** during the **period of insurance**.

# What you are not covered for - legal liability

In addition to the 'General exclusions' section (beginning on page 58) these exclusions apply to **your** liability cover and additional benefits below in the 'Additional benefits – legal liability' section beginning on page 55.

# See page 58 to read more about section 54 of the Insurance Contracts Act 1984 (Cth) and how it applies to this policy.

Subject to section 54 of the Insurance Contracts Act 1984 (Cth), **we** will not cover any liability arising from:

- use of a motor vehicle, motorcycle, mini-bike, aircraft, drone or watercraft, other than ride-on mowers:
- servicing, repairing or maintaining any vehicle;
- use of a caravan or trailer when the caravan or trailer is attached to a motor vehicle or motorcycle;
- any alterations, servicing, repairing or any additions to lifts, escalators or hoists, including anything that is part of a lift, escalator or hoist;
- vibration or interference with the support of land, buildings or other property;
- the erection or demolition of buildings;
- the discharge, release or escape of any pollutants;
- the removal, neutralising or cleaning up of pollutants;
- any agreement or contract you enter into, however we will cover your liability if you would have been liable without the agreement or contract;
- any act of defamation;
- directly or indirectly out of or in connection with the actual or alleged use, removal of, presence of
  or exposure to asbestos, any asbestos products or products containing asbestos;
- any act or omission that is dishonest, fraudulent, criminal, wilful or malicious damage or vandalism. This exclusion does not apply where we have reviewed the claim and are reasonably satisfied that a particular person covered under this policy section, in respect of the claimed incident:
  - was a victim of domestic violence, coercion or a vulnerable person; and
  - did not contribute to, assist, facilitate or cause it.

If so, and the incident otherwise meets the terms of this policy, **we** will settle the claim for that particular person, but only to the extent of their legal liability;

- any disease that is transmitted by you, or any member of your family who normally lives with you;
- any business, profession, trade or occupation carried on by you, except managing the buildings and their surrounds.

We will not cover any:

- penalties, fines or awards of aggravated, exemplary or punitive damages made against you;
- personal injury to you, or any member of your family who normally lives with you, or any other person who normally lives with you;
- personal injury to any person you employ and that personal injury arises from their employment with you;
- damage to property that belongs to you, any member of your family who normally lives with you, or any other person who normally lives with you;
- damage to property that belongs to any person you employ and that damage to property arises from their employment with you;
- damage to property that is in your control, or the control of any member of your family who
  normally lives with you, or any other person who normally lives with you.

# The most we will cover - legal liability

The most **we** will cover for any liability claim is **\$30,000,000** inclusive of GST, for any one **occurrence**. No **excess** applies when **you** claim under this legal liability cover only.

# Additional benefits - legal liability

The following covers are subject to the terms and conditions, limits and exclusions of the policy.

#### **Defence costs**

In addition to the limit of **your** legal liability cover, if **we** agree **you** are entitled to liability cover under this policy in respect of an **occurrence**, **we** will also pay legal costs incurred with **our** consent to defend the claim

# **Expenses incurred in attending court**

In addition to the limit of **your** legal liability cover, **we** will reimburse **you** for reasonable expenses and proven income loss, incurred in attending court in relation to a liability claim covered by this policy at **our** request up to **\$250** per day but excluding the first day, and up to a total of **\$5,000** in any one **period of insurance**. **We** will only reimburse income loss for days on which **you** are not able to conduct any income-earning activity.

#### If **you** are:

- self-employed or a working director, then 'income' means the gross daily income from such personal exertion after allowing for the costs and expenses incurred in deriving that income;
- an employee, then 'income' means the gross daily income from personal exertion, excluding overtime payments, bonuses, commissions or allowances.

In each case the amount of **your** income will be averaged over the 12 months immediately preceding **our** request (reasonably determined) or such shorter period during which **you** have been so engaged. **You** must provide **us** with reasonably requested documentation, correspondence, records, or other information in support of any claim for lost income.

# **GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

The following general terms and conditions apply to **your** policy:

Term/condition	
Precautions	<b>You</b> must take reasonable care to prevent or minimise loss, damage, injury, illness or liability, including <b>your</b> compliance with any law, by-law, ordinance or regulation that concerns the safety of persons or property.
Keeping proof of value of property insured	Please retain evidence of purchase of proof of the value of all property insured by this policy. Evidence includes receipts and professional valuations and manufacturers' instructions and warranties. <b>You</b> should keep any of these or other evidence so that <b>you</b> can reasonably prove ownership and the value of any loss if <b>you</b> have to claim. If <b>your</b> claim is for a total loss, <b>we</b> will give fair consideration to any extenuating circumstances.
Alteration of risk	<ul> <li>You must tell us promptly if:</li> <li>you intend to change or have changed the occupancy of the property at the insured address, for example from tenanted to owner occupied, or from long term tenancy to short term tenancy;</li> <li>you change who is responsible for managing the property from self-managed to property manager, or vice versa;</li> <li>you change the amount of rent you collect on a rental agreement to above \$2,000 per week;</li> <li>the buildings at the insured address are not going to be occupied for more than 100 days;</li> <li>any detail on your policy schedule is no longer accurate, such as the insured address;</li> <li>you intend to demolish your buildings at the insured address, have lodged an application to do this, or a government authority has issued a demolition order;</li> <li>trespassers (squatters) occupy the property at the insured address;</li> <li>you commence building or renovations at the insured address if the value of the work exceeds \$150,000;</li> <li>anything else happens that a reasonable person in the circumstances would consider to increase the chance that loss, damage or injury will occur, or liability will be incurred at the insured address.</li> </ul>

Term/condition	
Fraudulent claim	If you or any party covered by your policy makes a claim or arranges for some other party to make a claim that is in any way false, dishonest or fraudulent, then payment of the claim may be refused.  This above term does not apply where we have reviewed the claim and are reasonably satisfied that a particular person covered by this policy, who has a financial interest in the insured property, in respect of the claimed incident:  was a victim of domestic violence, coercion or a vulnerable person; and did not contribute to, assist, facilitate or cause it.  If so, and the incident otherwise meets the terms of this policy, we will settle the claim for that particular person, but only to the extent of their financial interest in the insured property or legal liability.
Cancellation	You may cancel your policy at any time. We will refund to you a proportion of the premium for the unexpired period of insurance (less any non-refundable government charges, taxes and levies that we have paid and are not recoverable), provided that the cancellation does not fall during the period of time referred to in the 'Cooling-off period' section.  Any agency fee that has been added to the premium will only be refunded if the policy is cancelled within the cooling-off period or where the cancellation is effective from the start of the period of insurance.  We may cancel this policy by notice in writing for any reason available to us at law. Unless we cancel your policy for the reason of fraud, we will refund to you a proportion of the premium for the unexpired period of insurance (less any non-refundable government charges, taxes and levies that we have paid and are not recoverable).
Other insurance and contribution	When <b>you</b> claim on <b>your</b> policy <b>you</b> must also supply <b>us</b> with written details of all other policies that <b>you</b> are reasonably aware of that may also pay or partially pay that claim.
Notifications	All notices and communications must be made or confirmed in writing by <b>you</b> or <b>your</b> intermediary. Other forms of communication will not be acted upon by <b>us</b> until confirmed in writing by <b>you</b> or <b>your</b> intermediary.
Jurisdiction	Any disputes arising from this policy will be determined by the Courts, and in accordance with the laws, of the state or territory where this policy is issued.

## GENERAL EXCLUSIONS

#### Section 54 of the Insurance Contracts Act 1984

**We** will take into account section 54 of the Insurance Contracts Act 1984 (Cth) when **we** assess any claim made under this **policy**.

Section 54 of the Insurance Contracts Act prevents **us** from refusing a claim because of something **you** or some other person has done, or not done, after the **policy** was entered into, unless that thing caused or contributed to the claimed loss. But **we** can reduce a claim by an amount that fairly represents **our** prejudice because of the thing that was done or not done.

Subject to section 54 of the Insurance Contracts Act 1984 (Cth), there is no cover under any section of this policy for damage, loss, cost or legal liability that is caused by, arises from or involves any of the following:

- action of the sea, tidal wave or high tide;
- storm surge, except when the loss or damage occurs at the same time as storm damage;
- a bushfire, grassfire, storm, flood or tsunami in the first 72 hours of cover, unless this policy began
  on the same day:
  - you purchased the property at the insured address; or
  - that another policy covering **your buildings** or **contents** expired (but not when **you** cancelled the policy prior to its expiry date). Cover will only be provided up to the sums insured covered under the expired policy (any increase in sums insured will not be covered for these events for the first 72 hours specified);
- erosion, subsidence, settling, seepage, shrinkage or expansion of earth, vibration or earth movement, other than landslide or subsidence if the loss or damage occurs within 72 hours of, and as a direct result of, one of the following:
  - storm including rainwater, hail, snow or wind;
  - flood:
  - earthquake or tsunami;
  - explosion;
  - escape of liquid from a fixed pipe or something attached to a pipe, fixed gutter, fixed tank apparatus or drain;
- any order or any Government, Public or Local Authority involving the confiscation, nationalisation, requisition, damage or destruction of any property, unless such destruction was undertaken to reduce the spread of fire;

- a defect, structural fault, poor or faulty design specification, materials, planning or workmanship.
  We will not apply this exclusion to resultant damage that is otherwise covered under this policy, where you were not and could not have been reasonably aware of the problem leading up to the incident. We will not pay the cost of the rectification of the defect, structural fault, design fault, material or planning itself. Once you are aware of the problem, you need to fix it within a reasonable time period; failing which, we may not accept any future claims caused by the same or related problem. A reasonable time period depends on a number of factors, including the scope of the required repairs and the availability of repairers in your area;
- water entering the buildings at the insured address through an opening made for any renovations, extensions, alterations or repair work;
- any alterations, repairs, renovations or additions to your buildings that cost more than \$150,000, unless agreed to in writing by BZI;
- a vacant block of land, unless agreed to in writing by BZI;
- any subletting arrangement, being any situation where:
  - there is a lease or rental agreement in place for a third party to rent all or part of the property from your tenant; or
  - you rent the property from the owner and then lease all or part of it to your tenant;
     unless agreed to in writing by BZI;
- cracking, collapse or subsidence, caused fully or partially by renovations, extensions or alterations to the **buildings** at the **insured address**;
- theft or damage by someone who enters or leaves through an unlockable or unsecured part of the buildings at the insured address while they are being renovated, extended or altered;
- electrical, mechanical or electronic breakdown other than the cover provided under the additional cover 'Motor burnout' (see page 35);
- radioactivity or any radioactive substances;
- nuclear fission or nuclear fusion;
- war, hostilities whether war is declared or not, acts of foreign enemies, rebellion, revolution, civil
  war, invasion, insurrection or the use of military or usurped power;
- any act of terrorism that is directly or indirectly caused by, contributed to by, or in any way
  involves or is connected with biological, chemical, radioactive, or nuclear pollution or
  contamination or explosion;
- damage to a heating element, however we will pay for any resultant damage following damage to a
  heating element if otherwise covered by this policy;
- roots of trees, shrubs or plants, however we will cover any resultant damage to the buildings
  caused by the roots (but not the damage caused directly by the roots);
- wear, tear, gradual deterioration, fading, scratching or denting (other than by hail);
- any process of cleaning involving the use of chemicals other than domestic household chemicals;
- rust, corrosion, oxidisation, mould or mildew;
- atmospheric or climatic conditions, other than storms:
- contamination or pollution of any kind, unless it is caused by a sudden and unexpected accident
  that is covered by this policy, including if covered under the additional cover 'Chemical
  contamination cover' (see page 36);

- anything stated under the heading of 'What is not covered' or following the words 'We will not pay'
  whenever used in this policy;
- any additional, indirect or consequential costs or losses, that are incurred unless covered under the 'Additional benefits' or 'Additional covers' sections of this policy;
- compensation for non-financial loss, distress, inconvenience, except if covered under the section 'What you are covered for – legal liability';
- any event that does not occur within the period of insurance.

Subject to section 54 of the Insurance Contracts Act 1984 (Cth), there is no cover under any section of this policy for damage, loss, cost or legal liability that is caused by, arises from or involves any of the following:

- theft or attempted theft by you or someone acting with your express or implied consent;
- malicious or intentional acts by you or someone acting with your express or implied consent;
- anything that you or anyone acting with your express or implied consent deliberately caused;
- any illegal activity you or your family, or someone acting with your or their express or implied consent, are involved in:

however these exclusions do not apply where **we** have reviewed the claim and are reasonably satisfied that a particular person covered by this policy, who has a financial interest in the insured property, in respect of the claimed incident:

- was a victim of domestic violence, coercion or a vulnerable person; and
- did not contribute to, assist, facilitate or cause it.

If so, and the incident otherwise meets the terms of this policy, **we** will settle the claim for that particular person, but only to the extent of their financial interest in the insured property or legal liability.

# **DEFINITIONS**

Term	Definition
Act of terrorism	An act of terrorism is any act, or preparation in respect of action, or threat of action designed to influence the government of the day or de facto government of any nation or any political division thereof, or in pursuit of political, religious, ideological or similar purposes to intimidate the public or a section of the public of any nation by any person or group(s) of persons whether acting alone or on behalf of or in connection with any organisation(s) or government(s) of the day or de facto government, and which:  involves violence or threat of violence against one or more persons; or involves damage to property; or  endangers life other than that of the person committing the action; or creates a risk to health or safety of the public or a section of the public; or is designed to interfere with or disrupt an electronic system.
Bed & breakfast	<b>Bed &amp; breakfast</b> means a dwelling occupied by permanent residents where short term accommodation (including the option for meals) is provided to paying guests.
Boarding house	<b>Boarding house</b> means a dwelling that provides a principal place of residence for five or more paying residents (excluding the proprietors or owners) where the furniture and beds are provided by the proprietors/owners.
Bodily injury	<b>Bodily injury</b> means physical bodily harm including resultant sickness or disease that requires care or loss of functional ability or results in death.
Bond money	<b>Bond money</b> means the money paid by <b>your tenant</b> at the beginning of the tenancy (equivalent to at least four weeks' rent) and held as security against damage to the property, outstanding rent or other costs.
Break fee	<b>Break fee</b> means the fee documented in the <b>rental agreement</b> that is payable by a <b>tenant</b> if they break the <b>rental agreement</b> by leaving before the end of the rental period.
Buildings	<b>Buildings</b> means the items defined in the section 'What are buildings' on page 25.
BZI	Blue Zebra Insurance Pty Ltd, ABN 12 622 465 838, AFS Licence Number 504130. <b>BZI</b> acts as an agent of the <b>insurer</b> under a binder agreement.
Cash settlement value	<b>Cash settlement value</b> , in the circumstances explained in this policy in which <b>we</b> agree to cash settle the claim, means the fair and reasonable value for which <b>you</b> or the funds recipient would be able to reinstate, replace or repair the insured property following the claim against this policy.
Contents	<b>Contents</b> means the items defined in the section 'What are contents' on page 26.

Term	Definition
Damage to property	<b>Damage to property</b> means physical injury to or destruction of tangible property, including the loss of its use. Tangible property includes the cost of recreating or replacing stocks, bonds, deeds, mortgages, bank deposits and similar instruments, but does not include the value represented by such instruments.
Deliberate or intentional damage	<ul> <li>Deliberate or intentional damage means an act done without the owner's permission and with the full knowledge that the action will alter the current state of the property, but without any malice, vindictiveness or spite.</li> <li>Deliberate or intentional damage does not include:         <ul> <li>tenant neglect, carelessness, poor housekeeping, or unhygienic living habits;</li> <li>damage occurring during maintenance operations carried out by your tenant or anyone acting on their behalf;</li> <li>damage as a result of repairs, or attempted repairs, carried out by your tenant or anyone acting on their behalf;</li> <li>damage caused by failure of your tenant or their visitors to control their children;</li> <li>damage caused by pets belonging to your tenant, their visitors or children of your tenant or their visitors;</li> <li>theft, or damage caused by theft;</li> <li>accidental damage or vandalism; or</li> <li>scratching, denting, chipping, rubbing or scuffing of any surface.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Excess	<b>Excess</b> means the first amount of each claim that <b>you</b> or the person making the claim must pay. The amount of the relevant <b>excess</b> is shown in <b>your policy schedule</b> or in this PDS. See page 11 for more information about <b>excesses</b> .
Family	<ul> <li>Family means a person's:</li> <li>spouse, partner or de facto;</li> <li>parents, parents-in law, and grandparents;</li> <li>children, grandchildren, brothers and sisters, including their respective spouse, partner or de facto; or</li> <li>the children, parents, parents-in law, grandparents, grandchildren, brothers and sisters of your spouse, partner or de facto.</li> </ul>

Term	Definition
Flood	Flood means the covering of normally dry land by water that has escaped or been released from the normal confines of any of the following:  a lake (whether or not it has been altered or modified);  a river (whether or not it has been altered or modified);  a creek (whether or not it has been altered or modified);  another natural watercourse (whether or not it has been altered or modified);  a reservoir;  a canal;  a dam.
Guest house	Guest house means a boarding house.
Holiday let	Holiday let means a short term tenancy.
Homestay	Homestay means a bed & breakfast.
Insured address	<b>Insured address</b> means the place where the <b>buildings</b> or <b>contents</b> are located, as shown on <b>your policy schedule</b> .
Insurer	Youi Pty Ltd (Youi), ABN 79 123 074 733, AFS Licence Number 316 511.
Long term tenancy	<ul> <li>Long term tenancy means a rental period that:</li> <li>is 3 months or greater in duration; and</li> <li>for which there is a rental agreement in place.</li> </ul>
Malicious damage or vandalism	<ul> <li>Malicious damage or vandalism means a wrongful act by a person motivated by malice, vindictiveness or spite, with the intention of damaging the property.</li> <li>Malicious damage or vandalism does not include:         <ul> <li>tenant neglect, carelessness, poor housekeeping or unhygienic living habits;</li> <li>damage occurring during maintenance operations carried out by your tenant or anyone acting on their behalf;</li> <li>damage as a result of repairs, or attempted repairs, carried out by your tenant or anyone acting on their behalf;</li> <li>damage caused by failure of your tenant or their visitors to control their children;</li> <li>damage caused by pets belonging to your tenant, their visitors or children of your tenant or their visitors;</li> <li>theft, or damage caused by theft;</li> <li>deliberate or intentional damage;</li> <li>accidental damage or accidental loss; or</li> <li>scratching, denting, chipping, rubbing or scuffing of any surface.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

Term	Definition
Notice to leave	A notice given by <b>you</b> or <b>your property manager</b> to <b>your tenant</b> to vacate the <b>buildings</b> at the <b>insured address</b> by a certain date in one of the following situations:
	<ul> <li>when you or your property manager and your tenant have agreed in writing to end the rental agreement earlier than legally required; or</li> <li>when you or your property manager legally end the rental agreement early.</li> </ul>
Occupied	Occupied means that:     the buildings at the insured address are furnished such that they are comfortably habitable, including:
	being connected to electricity and hot and cold running water; and
	<ul> <li>containing at least one usable bed and mattress and a functioning refrigerator; and</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>you, a member of your family, or someone with your consent has resided in the buildings at the insured address overnight.</li> </ul>
Occurrence	An occurrence is:
	<ul> <li>a single incident that is not intended or expected; or</li> <li>a series of incidents or continuous or repeated exposure to substantially the same general conditions which:</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>are not intended or expected; and</li> <li>have the same cause; or</li> <li>are attributable to the same source.</li> </ul>
	<b>We</b> regard all death, <b>personal injury</b> or <b>damage to property</b> , arising from one original source or cause, as one <b>occurrence</b> .
Period of insurance	<b>Period of insurance</b> means the dates and times over which <b>your</b> insurance cover is valid, ending on the expiry date as shown in <b>your policy schedule</b> unless the policy is terminated earlier in accordance with the policy terms and conditions.

Term	Definition
Periodic tenancy agreement	Periodic tenancy agreement means the situation when your tenant continues to occupy the buildings at the insured address, after a fixed term rental agreement has expired, and the rental agreement does not provide for its continuation, and:
	<ul> <li>a notice to leave; or</li> <li>a notice of intention to leave; or</li> <li>an abandonment termination notice;</li> </ul>
	has not been given by <b>your tenant</b> to <b>you</b> or <b>your property manager</b> , or by <b>you</b> or <b>your property manager</b> to <b>your tenant</b> .
	Your tenant is then deemed to be under a periodic tenancy agreement on the same terms which applied immediately before the rental agreement ended. This does not include any term about the rental agreement's term.
Permanent tenancy	Permanent tenancy means a long term tenancy.
Personal injury	Personal injury means bodily injury, shock, mental anguish or mental injury, defamation or death. Personal injury does not include the publication or utterance of a defamatory statement:  made prior to the commencement of the period of insurance; or  made by or at the direction of you with knowledge of its falsity; or  relating to advertising, broadcasting or telecasting activities by or on behalf of you.
Policy schedule	<b>Policy schedule</b> means the relevant <b>policy schedule</b> issued by <b>us</b> . This is a separate document unique to <b>you</b> , which shows the insurance details personal to <b>you</b> . It includes any changes, conditions and exclusions made to suit <b>your</b> individual circumstances and that may amend the cover provided.
Property manager	<b>Property manager</b> means the licensed real estate agent or property manager that manages the property at the <b>insured address</b> for <b>you</b> .
Premium	<b>Premium</b> means the amount(s) shown in <b>your policy schedule</b> that <b>you</b> have to pay for the cover <b>we</b> provide which is inclusive of Insurance Duty, Goods and Services Tax (GST), Emergency Services Levy (where applicable) and any additional government charges.

Term	Definition
Rental agreement	Rental agreement means the agreement between you or your property manager and your tenant, which is in writing and states:  the term of the rental period; and the amount of rent payable to you; and the amount of the bond money that your tenant is required to pay.  Rental agreement also includes any written or verbal agreement between you or your property manager and your tenant to: temporarily reduce the amount of rent payable to you; or suspend or defer the rent payable to you for a defined period of time.
Short term tenancy	Short term tenancy means a rental period that is of up to 3 months in total duration.  If after commencement of a short term tenancy, you and your tenant agree to extend the rental period beyond 3 months, you must contact us and we will tell you if cover under this policy can be provided under a long term tenancy.
Storm	Storm means:  a thunderstorm (including lightning);  rain, snow or hail;  a cyclone, tornado, or other violent wind; or  run-off of storm water following a localised storm in your area.
Storm surge	<b>Storm surge</b> means an increase in the sea level resulting from strong onshore winds or reduced atmospheric pressure associated with a low-pressure system or tropical cyclone.
Tenant	Where the tenancy is a long term tenancy, tenant means the person(s) named in the rental agreement or periodic tenancy agreement and including that person's:  - partner and any children who permanently live at the insured address; and - any other person(s) permanently living at the insured address.  Where the tenancy is a short term tenancy, tenant means the person(s) living at the insured address under a rental arrangement and including that person's: - partner and any children who permanently live at the insured address; and - any other person(s) permanently living at the insured address.

Term	Definition
Uninhabitable	Uninhabitable means the property is:  not safe to live in; or  not fit to live in as a result of not being connected to one or more of the following (if the property is normally connected to at least one of the following):  electricity;  gas; or  water.
Untenantable	Untenantable means the property could not reasonably be re-let due to its condition after the loss or damage, and would not be in a position to be re-let until the damage or destruction has been repaired.  This does not include any maintenance or renovation activity at the insured address.
We, us, our	Blue Zebra Insurance Pty Ltd ( <b>BZI</b> ) ABN 12 622 465 838, AFS Licence Number 504130 to the extent it is acting as an agent of the <b>insurer</b> under a binder agreement, or otherwise the <b>insurer</b> .
Weekly rental amount	<ul> <li>Weekly rental amount means the lesser of:         <ul> <li>the weekly rent paid by your tenant in accordance with the rental agreement; and</li> <li>the weekly rent disclosed to us and shown on your policy schedule.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Where there is:         <ul> <li>an agreement in place between you or your property manager and your tenant to temporarily reduce the amount of rent payable to you; and</li> <li>there is a fixed date where the temporary reduction ends; and</li> <li>the period where this temporary reduction is in place is less than 6 months;</li> <li>then weekly rental amount means the lesser of:</li> <li>the weekly rent paid by your tenant immediately prior to the temporary reduction; and</li> <li>the weekly rent disclosed to us and shown on your policy schedule.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
You/your	In this policy <b>you/your</b> means each of the people named as the insured on <b>your policy schedule</b> .

# BLUE ZEBRA INSURANCE FINANCIAL SERVICES GUIDE (FSG)

This Financial Services Guide (FSG) is an important document designed to help **you** decide whether to use the financial services offered.

It contains information about how Blue Zebra Insurance Pty Ltd, ABN 12 622 465 838, AFSL 504130 (**BZI**) administers the policy and arranges the policy.

# What financial services are provided?

**BZI** holds an Australian Financial Services Licence (AFSL) that allows **BZI** to provide **you** with general financial product advice about this Landlord Insurance Accidental Damage product and to arrange this product. From 1 January 2022 **BZI** is also authorised to provide claims handling and settling services. **BZI** is responsible for the provision of these services under its own AFSL.

**BZI** acts under a binder authority from Youi Pty Ltd (the **insurer**), who is the issuer of this product. This means that **BZI** can bind the **insurer** with this policy and can handle or settle claims on behalf of the **insurer**. **BZI** acts for the **insurer** when providing these services and not on **your** behalf. **You** can find full details of **BZI** and the **insurer** on page 4 of the PDS.

Any advice given to **you** by **BZI** about Landlord insurance will be of a general nature only and will not take into account **your** personal objectives, financial situation or needs. **You** need to determine whether this product meets **your** needs.

## How are we paid?

**BZI** is paid a commission by the **insurer** when **you** buy this Landlord Insurance Accidental Damage policy. This commission is included in the **premium** that **you** pay and may be up to 7% of the **premium** paid excluding any government taxes and levies. **BZI** receives this commission from the **insurer** after **you** have paid the **premium**.

**BZI** may add an agency fee to the **premium** that is charged. Any agency fee will be noted on **your policy schedule**.

**BZI** may also receive a share of the profit earned by the **insurer** if the **insurer** makes an underwriting profit in accordance with the underwriting targets it has set. This amount is calculated and paid retrospectively only when the **insurer** exceeds its underwriting targets in a given year.

**BZI** employees are paid an annual salary and may be paid a bonus based on business performance.

## **Further information**

For more information about remuneration or other benefits received for the financial services provided, please ask **your** intermediary or contact **us** using the details noted in this document within a reasonable time of receiving this FSG and before **you** choose to buy this product.

# **Complaints**

If **you** have a complaint about the financial services provided by **BZI** in relation to this product please refer to the PDS for details of the complaint resolution process.

# What professional indemnity insurance arrangements do we have in place?

**BZI** holds professional indemnity insurance covering errors and mistakes relating to the provision of financial services provided by **BZI** and **our** employees (even after they cease to be employed). **BZI**'s policy meets the requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth).

# Who is responsible for this document?

The **insurer** is responsible for the PDS. **BZI** has authorised the distribution of this FSG.

This combined FSG and PDS was prepared on 31 January 2022.

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