

Coverage: Motor Excess Reimbursement Insurance Commercial and General Ltd T/A Bettersafe

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. WHAT IS MOTOR EXCESS PROTECTION INSURANCE?

Most car insurance policies have a policy *Excess* which means *You* have to pay the first part of a claim that *You* make under a *Motor Insurance Policy*. Motor *Excess* Protection Insurance is designed to pay the amount of any policy *Excess You* have to pay when *You* make a successful claim under a *Motor Insurance Policy*.

1.2. THE INSURER

This insurance is underwritten by Newline Insurance Company Ltd registered in England and Wales under company registration number 04409827 and whose registered office is Corn Exchange, 55 Mark Lane, London, EC3R 7NE. *We* are also authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and Prudential Regulation Authority (Firm reference number 435028).

You can visit the Financial Services Register, which is a register of all authorised financial services firms in the UK, at www.fca.org.uk/register. You can also contact the Financial Conduct Authority on telephone number 0800 111 6768 (freephone) or 0300 500 8082.

1.3. YOUR INSURANCE DOCUMENTS

This is *Your* insurance Policy which includes important details about the cover provided and any exclusions that may apply. It must be read in conjunction with *Your Insurance Schedule*. Words which appear in italics have the meanings given to them in the Definitions section of this Policy wording.

Please take the time to read *Your* Policy documentation. If *You* have any questions or there is anything that *You* do not understand, please contact the Administrator on 020 3740 4431.

1.4. LANGUAGE

All insurance documents and all communications with *You* about Motor *Excess* Protection Insurance will be in English.

If You have any disability that makes communication difficult, please tell the Administrator and they will be pleased to help You.

1.5. CERTIFICATION OF COVER

This Policy combined with *Your Insurance Schedule* certifies that insurance has been affected between *You* and *Us*. In return for payment of the premium *We* agree to insure *You* in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in and endorsed on these documents.

This insurance is managed by Commercial and General Ltd T/A Bettersafe, who is The *Administrator* of *Your* policy.

Signed by:

Bradley Brandon-Cross

Borandon 21085

Authorised signatory for the Administrator

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1.6. CLAIMS

The Administrator is appointed by *Us* to handle all claims under this policy. *You* can find their details in Section 8, How to Make a Claim.

1.7. COOLING OFF PERIOD

If *You* decide that *You* wish to cancel this insurance, please contact the Administrator within 14 days of receiving *Your* documents. *You* will receive a full refund of premium as long as *You* have not made a claim and do not intend to make a claim.

1.8. POLICY DURATION

This is an annual Policy. Unless *You* decide to cancel the insurance, the initial period of the contract is 12 months. At the end of this period, *We* may contact *You* to offer a renewal of this Policy.

2. TO QUALIFY FOR COVER

- **2.1.** To qualify for this insurance, *You* must be named as the policyholder under the Motor Insurance Policy.
- **2.2.** This insurance only applies if there is an *Excess* under a Motor Insurance Policy. This Insurance applies only to *Your* own personal insurances. It will not include any commercial insurances of any nature.
- **2.3.** We explain what We mean by a Motor Insurance Policy below in the Definitions section. Please read this carefully.
- **2.4.** You must be a permanent resident of the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man.

3. **DEFINITIONS**

"Administrator" means Commercial and General Ltd trading as Bettersafe whose registered office address is 17 Teddington Business Park, Station Road, Teddington, TW11 9BQ and who is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (FRN: 300001).

"Excess" means the amount You had to pay towards the first part of a claim under Your Motor Insurance Policy under the terms of that policy and such amount is clearly stated being an Excess in Your Motor Insurance Policy documents.

"Insurance Schedule" means the document which forms part of the insurance contract between You and Us. It contains Your name and gives details of the level of cover provided under Your Motor Excess Protection Insurance. The Insurance Schedule will be issued to You the Administrator.

"Maximum Reimbursement Limit" means the most We will pay in any one annual Period of Insurance, as shown in Your Insurance Schedule.

"Period of Insurance" means the annual period of cover under this Insurance for which We have accepted the premium, as stated in Your Insurance Schedule.

"Motor Insurance Policy" means an insurance policy purchased by You for Your own private motor vehicle covering only Social, Commuting or Class One Business use (using Your vehicle to drive to work and to other work sites). This policy will not cover commercial vehicles, light commercial vehicles (under 3.5 tonnes) used for business, vehicles with more than 7 seats or invalid carriages.

"Start Date of Cover" means the date that this Insurance starts and will be shown in Your Insurance Schedule.

"Vehicle Repairer" means the authorised garage, body shop or repairer who will affect the repairs to Your motor vehicle under the terms of Your Motor Insurance Policy.

"We/Us/Our" means Newline Insurance Company Ltd.

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"You/Your" means the person or company who took out this Motor Excess Protection Insurance and who is named as the policyholder in the Insurance Schedule and named as the policyholder in the Motor Insurance Policy.

4. WHAT IS COVERED

If You make a claim under Your Motor Insurance Policy We will pay the amount of any Excess that You had to pay.

Your insurance applies if:

- **4.1.** The incident that gave rise to the claim under *Your Motor Insurance Policy* happened during the *Period of Insurance* of *Your* Motor *Excess* Protection Insurance.
- **4.2.** The claim under *Your Motor Insurance Policy* was successful and was for more than the amount of the Excess.

You can claim under this Insurance more than once during the Period of Insurance but in total We will only reimburse You up to the Maximum Reimbursement Limit shown in the Insurance Schedule.

5. WHAT IS NOT COVERED (EXCLUSIONS)

We will not reimburse Your Excess in the following circumstances:

- **5.1.** if the incident that gave rise to the claim under *Your Motor Insurance Policy* happened before the *Start Date of Cover,* as stated in *Your Insurance Schedule*;
- **5.2.** if You were aware at the Start Date of Cover that You were going to make a claim under Your Motor Insurance Policy;
- **5.3.** where no *Excess* was paid by *You* or deducted from the claim settlement by the insurer of *Your Motor Insurance Policy*;
- **5.4.** if *Your* claim under *Your Motor Insurance Policy* was not successful or was for less than the amount of the *Excess*;
- **5.5.** where any amount contributed by *You* or deducted from the settlement of *Your* claim is not clearly stated in *Your Motor Insurance Policy* as being the policy *Excess*;
- **5.6.** where the *Excess You* paid was under a *Motor Insurance Policy* and *Your* claim under that policy was in respect only of glass repair or replacement;
- **5.7.** where the *Excess You* paid was under a *Motor Insurance Policy* and the motor vehicle was used for:
 - 5.7.1. hire and reward;
 - 5.7.2. any competition, trial, performance test, race or trial of speed, including off-road events, whether between motor vehicles or otherwise, and irrespective of whether this takes place on any circuit or track, formed or otherwise, and regardless of any statutory authorisation of any such event;
 - 5.7.3. any business use other than Class One Business Use as normally defined by motor insurers;
 - 5.7.4. any purpose in connection with the motor trade;
- 5.8. where the Excess required from You under Your Motor Insurance Policy has already been provided by another party;
- **5.9.** Any claim resulting in any way from:
 - 5.9.1. If *Your* claim results in any way from war, terrorism or nuclear risk. For the purposes of this exclusion:
 - 5.9.2. "War" means invasion, acts of foreign enemies, hostilities whether war is declared or not, civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, military

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or usurped power, confiscation, nationalism or requisition or destruction or *Damage* to property by or under the order of any government or public or legal authority.

- 5.9.3. "Terrorism" means any act of any person or organization involving, causing or threatening harm or putting the public or any section of the public in fear if it is likely that the purpose is of a political, religious, ideological (of an intellectual or rational nature) or similar nature.
- 5.9.4. "Nuclear Risk" means *Damage* or destruction caused by, contributed to or arising from:
 - Ionizing radiation or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel; or
 - The radioactive, toxic, explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or component thereof.

6. CANCELLATION

You may cancel this insurance within 14 days of receiving Your documents (cooling off period) and You will be entitled to a full refund of the premium as long as You have not made a claim and do not intend to make a claim.

You can cancel at any time after the 14-day cooling off period and We will make a proportionate refund of the premium paid for the current Period of Insurance, as long as You have not made a claim and do not intend to make a claim. However, such refund may be subject to an administration charge of £5 from Bettersafe.com. To cancel cover please contact:

Commercial and General Ltd 17 Teddington Business Park Station Road

Teddington TW11 9BQ

Telephone: +44 (0)20 3740 4431

Email: enquiries@bettersafe.com

We may cancel this insurance at any time by giving You 30 days' written notice to Your last known email address (or mailing address if You do not have an email address) provided by You. We will allow a proportionate refund of any premiums paid for the insurance cover remaining.

We may cancel Your policy due to Your non-payment of premium, if You use threatening or abusive behaviour or language or We have reasonable suspicion of fraud. This is not an exhaustive list.

7. RENEWAL OF THE POLICY

You will be contacted a month before the renewal date and told about any changes to the premium or the Policy terms and conditions. *You* will also be told if *We* are unable to renew *Your* Policy.

Before *Your* policy renews, please make sure *You* tell the Administrator about any changes to *Your* personal details.

When You receive Your renewal notice, You must also provide the Administrator with details of any changes since Your Policy started (or since the Policy last renewed if You have held the Policy for more than one year).

At each annual renewal, please take the opportunity to review the Policy to make sure it still meets *Your* needs and is suitable for *You*. Please also check that the details in *Your Insurance Schedule*

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are still correct and notify the Administrator if any details need to be changed.

8. HOW TO MAKE A CLAIM

STEP ONE - CHECK YOUR POLICY

Read this Policy first so that *You* are satisfied that *You* are covered for the claim *You* want to make. Read any exclusions that may apply and make sure *You* understand them.

STEP TWO - NOTIFY THE CLAIM

All claims must be notified to The *Administrator;* their details are below. *You* should do this within 30 days of the date the claim under *Your Motor Insurance Policy* occurred. If *You* do not, it might mean that *We* will be unable to pay for the *excess.* Please contact:

Commercial and General Ltd 17 Teddington Business Park Station Road Teddington TW11 9NQ

Telephone: +44 (0)20 3740 4431 Email: claims@comandgen.com

Please tell The *Administrator* the policy reference number which will be shown in *Your Insurance Schedule*. If *You* are not sure whether *You* can claim, please talk to the *Administrator* who will be happy to help *You*.

STEP THREE - AFTER THE CLAIM IS NOTIFIED

The Administrator will send You a claim form, which You should fill in and send back to them as soon as possible.

We will need copies of these documents:

- Your credit card statement or a screenshot proving the amount of Excess was paid by You (if applicable).
- ii) Your Excess Insurance Certificate
- iii) Your Comprehensive Insurance Certificate
- A settlement letter from Your insurer showing the amount Your claim has been settled for.
- v) Police report (if applicable)
- Any additional information You wish to enclose to substantiate Your claim.

You may be required, on request, to provide a copy of Your passport, driving license and proof of residency.

Please Note: Failure to Follow These Steps May Delay And / Or Jeopardise the Payment of Your Claim.

9. CLAIMS CONDITIONS

Things To Keep In Mind When Making A Claim

9.1. CLAIMS CONDUCT

You must give The Administrator any information or help that they ask for and You must not settle, reject, negotiate or agree to pay any claim without their written permission. No person is entitled to admit liability on Our behalf or to give any representations or other undertakings binding upon Us except with Our written consent. We shall be entitled to the absolute conduct, control and settlement of all proceedings arising out of or in connection with claims in Your name.

9.2. RIGHT OF RECOVERY

We can take proceedings in Your name but at Our expense to recover for Our benefit the amount of any payment made under

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this Policy. Any amounts that are recovered will belong to *Us* and *You* must provide all reasonable assistance to help *Us* obtain a recovery.

9.3. KEEPING TO THE TERMS

We will only give You the cover that is described in this Policy if You comply with all its terms.

9.4. FRAUDULENT CLAIMS OR MISLEADING INFORMATION

We take a robust approach to fraud prevention. If any claim under this insurance is fraudulent or is intended to mislead, or if any misleading or fraudulent means are used by *You* or anyone acting on *Your* behalf to obtain benefit under this insurance, *Your* right to any benefit under this insurance will end, *Your* cover will be cancelled and *We* will be entitled to recover any benefit paid and costs incurred as a result of any such fraudulent or misleading claim. We may also inform the police.

9.5. OTHER INSURANCE

If You were covered by any other insurance for the same Excess, We will only pay Our share of the claim.

10. COMPLAINTS

10.1. COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE SALE OR ADMINISTRATION OF YOUR POLICY

If *You* wish to make a complaint about any aspect of this insurance, please contact:

The Managing Director Commercial and General Ltd 17 Teddington Business Park Station Road Teddington TW11 9BQ

Telephone: +44 (0)20 3740 4431 Email: complaints@comandgen.com

10.2. IF YOU REMAIN DISSATISFIED

In the event that *You* remain dissatisfied and wish to make a complaint, *You* can do so at any time by referring the matter to the Financial Ombudsman Service.

The address for the Financial Ombudsman Service is:

The Financial Ombudsman Service

Exchange Tower London E14 9SR

Telephone: +44 (0) 20 7654 1000 Fax: +44 (0) 20 7964 1001

Email: complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk

Website:

www.financialombudsman.org.uk/consumer/complaint.htm

You may have the right to refer Your complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service.

The Financial Ombudsman Service is an independent service in the UK for settling disputes between consumers and businesses providing financial services. *You* can find more information on the Financial Ombudsman Service at:

www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk

This procedure does not affect *Your* right to take legal action.

10.3. MAKING A COMPLAINT ONLINE

If You have purchased Your policy online, You can submit a complaint through the European Online Dispute Resolution (ODR)

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platform: http://ec.europa.eu/odr. Please note there may be a slight delay while *Your* complaint is directed to *Us*.

11. LEGAL AND REGULATORY INFORMATION

11.1. LAW AND LEGAL PROCEEDINGS APPLICABLE

Unless *You* and *We* agree otherwise, the law which applies to this contract is the law which applies to the part of the United Kingdom in which *You* live, or if *You* live in the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man, the law of whichever of those places in which *You* live

Any legal proceedings between *You* and *Us* in connection with this contract will, therefore, only take place in the courts of the part of the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man in which *You* live

11.2. FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPENSATION SCHEME

We are covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. You may be entitled to compensation from the Scheme if We are unable to meet Our obligations to You under this contract.

Further information can be obtained from

The Financial Services Compensation Scheme Telephone: (Freephone) 0800 678 1100 or 020 7741 4100 Website: www.fscs.org.uk

11.3. SANCTIONS

We will not provide any benefit under this contract of insurance if doing so would breach any sanction, prohibition or restriction imposed by law or regulation.

11.4. CONTRACTS (RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES) ACT 1999

This insurance is a legally binding contract between *You* and *Us* and does not give, or intend to give, rights to anyone else. Only *You* or *Us* can enforce the terms of this contract.

11.5. DATA PROTECTION ACT

Newline Insurance Company Ltd (the Data Controller) are committed to protecting and respecting *Your* privacy in accordance with the current Data Protection Legislation ("Legislation"). Below is a summary of the main ways in which *We* process *Your* personal data, for more information please visit *Our* website at https://newlinegroup.com/website at h

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

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

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

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any controller and to lodge a complaint with the local data protection authority.

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

If You have any questions concerning Our use of Your personal data, please contact The Data Protection Officer, Newline Insurance company Ltd - please see website for full address details

11.6. DISCLOSURE OF IMPORTANT INFORMATION

When You applied for this insurance, and/or when You applied to make any change to the cover, You were asked a number of questions. We relied on all of the answers to these questions to decide the terms upon which We offered You cover or amended cover. This includes the premium to be charged.

It is therefore essential that all of the answers *You* gave were truthful, complete and accurate to the best of *Your* knowledge. If any of *Your* answers are later found to be incorrect, incomplete or misleading, this could lead to *Your* insurance being declared invalid and/or to *Your* claim not being paid or not fully paid.

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