# YOUR PRIVATE PET INSURANCE POLICY

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NatWest Private

## Useful Numbers

For changes to your policy: 0800 533 5204 (Lines are open 8am-8pm Monday to Friday and 9am-5pm on Saturday)

To make a claim: 0800 533 5205 (Lines are open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week)

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### WELCOME TO NATWEST PRIVATE PET INSURANCE

Welcome to NatWest Private pet insurance – providing you with an enhanced level of cover for your cats and dogs, and a personal one-to-one service.

NatWest Private pet insurance provides a range of features and benefits to ensure your cats and dogs receive the special level of care they deserve.

- The option to cover all your pets under one policy, with one renewal date
- Up to £8,000 towards your vet fees, to treat any injury and illness, with no restriction on the number of claims you can make
- We can pay bills directly to the veterinarian, so you can concentrate on getting your pet well again
- Up to £5,000 optional holiday cancellation cover, should your pet require life-saving surgery whilst you are on holiday, or up to seven days before you travel

If you would like to speak to us about your Private pet Insurance policy: **Call 0800 533 5204**.

## How to make a claim on your NatWest Private pet insurance policy

We appreciate how stressful it is when a pet falls ill or gets injured so, should this happen, contact us as soon as possible and claims handlers will be assigned to your case. We will commence work on settling your claim, ensuring the minimum of inconvenience and paperwork.

Once your pet is receiving the treatment they need, you can then choose how you would like the claim settled. For more information on how to make a claim follow the procedures outlined under each section of cover. Please keep all receipts and invoices that you want to claim for. Assistance is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

If you need to make a claim: Call 0800 533 5205.

#### Help when you need it most

#### Customer service

If you have any questions about your NatWest Private pet insurance policy, or if you would like to talk to us about other NatWest Private insurance products, call **0800 533 5204**. Our lines are open between 8am-8pm Monday to Friday and 9am-5pm on Saturdays.

#### Legal advice

For expert legal advice, contact us on **0800 533 5258**. Lines are open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

#### Keeping your policy up to date

Should your circumstances change, whether you would like to include a new pet in your policy or you're moving house, NatWest Private pet insurance has been designed to be flexible with your changing needs. To keep your cover up to date, call our dedicated UK customer service team on 0800 533 5204.

## NatWest Private insurance, here for your insurance needs

In addition to pet insurance, our exclusive range of Private insurance products also includes home, car and travel, as well as breakdown cover, each offering the same expert cover and a more personal level of service.

For your convenience, we offer the flexibility to meet your insurance needs bringing your cover together. This means one payment date and one renewal date.

For more information: **Call 0800 533 5204** Or visit **natwest.com/privateinsurance** 

### TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF YOUR POLICY

NatWest Private insurance is arranged by The Royal Bank of Scotland plc and underwritten by U K Insurance Limited.

This section gives full details of **your** cover. **You** should read it along with **your** schedule. Please keep all **your** documents in a safe place.

This policy is evidence of the contract between **you** and **us**, U K Insurance Limited, based on information **you** have given to **us**.

Please read **your schedule of insurance** and these policy conditions to make sure **you** know exactly what **your** insurance covers. Check all the policy details and **your** proposal confirmation, which sets out the information **you** have given **us**, carefully. If **you** think there is a mistake or **you** need to make changes, **you** should notify **us** immediately. Failure to provide correct information or inform **us** of any changes could adversely affect **your** policy, including invalidating **your** policy or claims being rejected or not fully paid.

In return for receiving and accepting the premium, we will provide insurance under this policy for the sections shown in the schedule as applying for the accident, injury, loss or damage which has happened in the **territorial limits** during the **period of insurance**. Under European law, **you** and **we** may choose which law will apply to this contract. English law will apply unless **you** and **we** agree otherwise.

If **you** are resident in Jersey, Jersey law applies to **your** policy and any dispute in relation to it will be within the jurisdiction of the Jersey courts.

We have supplied this Agreement and other information to you in English and we will continue to communicate with you in English.

### MEANING OF WORDS

Wherever the following words or expressions appear in **your** policy or schedule, they will have the meaning given here unless **we** say differently.

Accidental injury – damage to one or more parts of your pet's body as a result of one accidental cause.

**Behavioural disorder** – a change to **your pet's** normal mental or emotional state that could not be prevented by training.

**Carrier** – a transport company approved by the government to carry animals under the **Pet Travel Scheme**.

Clinical diet – food prescribed and supplied by a vet to treat a condition.

**Coinsurance amount** – the percentage amount of every claim which **you** must pay, for each separate **condition** and each separate **period of insurance**, as shown on **your** schedule. **We** work this out after taking off the **excess**.

Company (we, us, our) - U K Insurance Limited.

**Complementary treatment** – acupuncture, aromatherapy and homeopathy treatment carried out directly by a **vet** and physiotherapy, osteopathy, hydrotherapy and chiropractic **treatment** recommended by and carried out under the direction of a vet.

**Condition** – any injury, illness, disease or any symptoms or signs of injury, illness or disease, including related problems, no matter where these are noticed or happen in or on **your pet**.

Excess – the first part of every claim which you must pay, for each separate condition during each separate period of insurance, as shown on your schedule.

Journey – a holiday or trip to a qualifying country included in the Pet Travel Scheme (PETS) that starts and ends in the United Kingdom during a period of insurance.

Pet - the dog(s) or cat(s) named in your policy schedule.

Pet passport – the official UK Pet Travel Scheme documents provided by a vet who has the Government's authority to do so.

**Pet Travel Scheme (PETS)** – the U.K government scheme that allows **you** to take **your pet** to certain countries and re-enter the **United Kingdom** without **your pet** having to go into quarantine, as long as **you** have met the rules of the scheme. **Period of insurance –** the time during which **we** give cover as set out in **your** policy schedule.

**Pre-existing condition** – any **condition** or symptoms, or signs of injury, illness or disease, that happen or exist in any form before the start of this insurance.

**Recurring conditions** – a **condition** that may come back or that the **pet** is prone to, no matter how many times the **condition** comes back or how many areas of the body are affected.

**Treatment –** any necessary examinations, consultations, advice, tests, x-rays, surgery, prescribed drugs or medication, nursing and hospitalisation or care provided by a **vet** during a **period of insurance**.

**Underwriter, underwritten –** the **company** providing the insurance cover under this policy.

**United Kingdom –** England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands.

**Vet** – a qualified veterinary surgeon currently registered to practice in the country in which **treatment** is received.

**Vet fees –** reasonable and necessary fees charged by a **vet** to treat a **condition**.

You, your – the person shown on the schedule who is responsible for the **pet**.

Your family – your husband, wife, partner, children, parents or other relatives who normally live with you.

## YOUR COVER

## SECTION A SUMMARY OF LIMITS

Use this chart to see at a glance how much cover **your** policy provides.

Cover	Where to find out more	Limits	Excess
Vet fees	Page 9	<ul> <li>£8,000 per period of insurance. This includes:</li> <li>up to £1,000 for complementary treatment;</li> <li>up to £250 for behavioural disorders;</li> <li>up to £250 for clinical diet;</li> <li>up to £250 for transportation costs for referral to a vet;</li> <li>up to £500 for dental treatment.</li> </ul>	As shown in <b>your</b> schedule. (For pets aged seven or older, <b>you</b> must pay the <b>excess</b> shown on <b>your</b> policy schedule plus 20% of every claim for each separate condition.) The <b>excess</b> applies to each separate <b>condition</b> and each new <b>period of insurance</b>
Death from an accident or illness	Page 10	Purchase price up to £1,500	Nil
Advertising and reward	Page 10	Up to £1,500 total including up to £500 for reward	Nil
Theft and straying	Page 11	Purchase price up to £1,500	Nil
Boarding kennel fees	Page 11	Up to £1,000	Nil
Holiday cancellation costs	Page 12	Up to £5,000	£100
Third-party liability (dogs only)	Page 12	Up to £2 million	£250
Overseas travel	Page 13	<ul> <li>Extends cover while on a journey to countries included in the Pet Travel Scheme (PETS) for sections shown on your policy schedule. Cover is also provided for:</li> <li>quarantine costs up to £2000;</li> <li>loss of pet passport up to £250;</li> <li>reasonable costs for repeat Tapeworm treatment;</li> <li>emergency expenses abroad up to £500.</li> </ul>	As above

## SECTION B VET FEES COVER

We will pay all reasonable charges made for necessary treatment carried out by a vet to treat your pet during a period of insurance for a condition that first started during a period of insurance, under the following conditions:

- 1. The most **we** will pay in any one **period of insurance** is £8,000, including:
  - a) up to £1,000 towards complementary treatments;
  - b) up to  $\pounds 250$  towards clinical diet to treat a condition;
  - c) up to £250 towards the cost of treating a **behavioural disorder**;
  - d) up to £250 towards any travel expenses (between your home and a veterinary practice that is not part of your usual vet's) that you or any member of your family permanently residing with you incur if your usual vet recommends another vet treats your pet;
  - e) up to £500 towards the cost of dental treatment and;

f) up to £100 towards the costs of putting your pet to sleep.

- 2. We will not pay more than the maximum limit or limits that applied when the condition or behavioural disorder first started, subject to cover still being in force.
- **3.** You must provide written notice of all accidents, illness or disease to **us** within 90 days of them happening.

#### Exclusions

#### We will not pay for the following:

- 1. Any treatment your pet receives during a period of insurance if we have not received the agreed premium for that period of insurance, or if paying by instalments, we have not received the agreed premium for that part of the period of insurance. If you cancel your policy before the end of the period of insurance and we have paid a claim we will collect any outstanding premium due for the remaining period of insurance. We may take any outstanding premium due from the claims settlement.
- 2. Any claims for vet fees for ongoing treatment costs if the premium has not been received at the time the treatment costs arose. Ongoing claims for treatment costs of a condition or behavioural disorders will only be covered if you continue to pay the premium and the policy remains in force.
- 3. The excess or coinsurance amount as stated on your policy schedule for each unrelated condition or behavioural disorder payable each period of insurance. If the treatment dates for a condition or behavioural disorder fall into more than one period of insurance you will have to pay an excess for each period of insurance as shown on your policy schedule. For pets aged seven or older, you must pay the excess as shown on your schedule plus 20% of every claim for each separate condition.

#### 4. Vet fees for or in connection with:

 a) any preventative or non-essential treatment, tests or diagnostic procedures, prescribed general health supplements or routine examinations and treatment including but not limited to routine vaccinations, grooming, **treatment** of infestations or parasites, nail clipping, spaying or castration or for any **treatment** in connection with pregnancy or giving birth, or any event arising out of these procedures;

- b) the cost of routine or investigative tests, unless these are to diagnose a condition due to specific or existing symptoms or clinical signs and the condition is covered under the insurance;
- c) any diagnostic laboratory fees, such as (but not limited to), fees for histopathology that originate outside your usual vet practice that are not within a reasonable and necessary amount;
- d) any prescription or medicine decision fees and administration fees such as (but not limited to) completion of a claim form;
- e) any referral, second opinion or specialist treatment or fees, unless we have specifically agreed to it;
- f) any complementary treatment that is not carried out by a member of the Association of Chartered Physiotherapists in Animal Therapy, the National Association of Veterinary Physiotherapists, McTimoney Chiropractic Association or the Canine Hydrotherapy Association;
- g) any treatment of a behavioural disorder that is not carried out by a member of the association of Pet Behavioural Counsellors or the Canine and Feline Behavioural Association;
- h) for any food such as (but not limited to) dry, wet and liquid food or for any clinical diet prescribed for the sole purpose of helping your pet lose weight and clinical diet prescribed in order to prevent any condition;
- i) hospitalisation or house calls (or both), unless the **vet** confirms in writing that to move the **pet** would put it in serious danger;
- j) any extra charges for treating your pet outside usual surgery hours, unless the vet confirms that an emergency appointment is necessary;

k) the cost of bathing, grooming or de-matting your pet;

- any dental treatment if your pet has not received a dental check-up every year and had any treatment recommended by your vet (whether covered by this policy or not) carried out within three months of the recommendation. Or for dental treatment if the pet is more than 18 weeks old, to remove first teeth;
- m) any claim for any form of housing or bedding needed for the **treatment** or general wellbeing of **your pet**;
- n) any charges for cremating, burying or disposal of **your pet**;
- o) the treatment of any condition or symptoms first starting or caught while on a journey, unless overseas travel cover was included in your policy at the time and continues to be included;
- p) the cost of putting your pet to sleep that is not on the recommendation of your vet or the costs of putting your pet to sleep as a result of illness if your pet is a dog and is aged nine years or older or your pet is a cat and is aged 11 years or older.

#### **Claims conditions**

- Wherever possible you must contact us before any costs for which you may wish to claim arise or directly after the initial costs have arisen and before any further costs arise. If you do not contact us your claim may not be covered or may not be paid in full.
- 2. We will then send you a claim form to fill in, which you should return to us with supporting receipts. To help speed up the claims process please supply a complete medical history for your pet.
- 3. We may need a vet's opinion on what may be wrong with your pet before we can pay a claim.

### SECTION C DEATH FROM ACCIDENTAL INJURY OR ILLNESS

We will pay the purchase price of your pet up to £1,500 if your pet dies as a result of an accidental injury or illness during a period of insurance and the Death from accidental injury or illness section (Loss of pet & boarding fees) appears on your schedule.

#### Exclusions

#### We will not pay for the following:

- Any claims for death from illness for dogs aged nine years and older or for cats aged 11 years and older.
- **2.** If **your pet** is put to sleep following an accident or an illness unless **your vet** provides written certification that this was essential for humane reasons.
- 3. More than you paid for your pet.

#### **Claims conditions**

- 1. You must get a veterinary certificate at your own expense that shows the date and cause of death. If your pet is put to sleep, you must get a veterinary certificate stating that this was necessary to stop your pet from suffering.
- You must provide proof of the amount you paid for your pet. If you do not have proof of the amount you paid for your pet we may not pay your claim.

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### SECTION D ADVERTISING AND REWARD

If your pet is lost or stolen in a period of insurance, we will refund you for local advertising costs, up to a total of £1,500 in any period of insurance. This includes the cost of bringing your pet back to your home address and a reward of up to £500 to be offered for the recovery of your pet and the Advertising and reward section (Loss of pet & boarding fees) appears on your schedule.

#### Exclusions

#### We will not pay for the following:

- 1. Any reward claimed by a member of **your family** or anyone living with **you**.
- 2. Any costs that have not been agreed by **us** and that are not reasonable or necessary.
- **3.** Any costs if **you** leave **your** dog unattended in a public place at any time.

#### **Claims conditions**

- If your pet is lost, you must phone us immediately and get our approval before spending any money.
- 2. If your pet is a dog, you must report the loss to the local authority and welfare centres (in Scotland you must report it to the police). We will need to see evidence that you have done this. If your pet is a cat, you have to report the loss to your vet and local welfare centre provide us with confirmation that you have done this.
- 3. If you are claiming for the reward, we will need evidence that you advertised a reward for finding your pet and the full contact details of the person claiming the reward, with their written confirmation that you paid them.
- 4. We will need to see receipts and examples of advertising for any expenses you want to claim.

## SECTION E THEFT AND STRAYING

We will pay you the purchase price of your pet, up to £1,500, if your pet is lost or stolen during a period of insurance and has not been found after 45 days and the Theft and straying section (Loss of pet & boarding fees) appears on your schedule.

#### Exclusions

We will not pay for the following:

1. More than you paid for your pet.

- 2. Payment until more than 45 days after **your pet** first went missing.
- **3.** Any claim for loss or straying arising within the first 14 days of the **pet** being covered.
- **4.** Any purchase price if **you** leave **your** dog unattended in a public place at any time.

#### **Claims conditions**

- If you lose your dog, you must report the loss to the local authority and welfare centres (in Scotland you must report it to the police) within 24 hours of them disappearing. We will need to see evidence that you have done this. If you lose your cat, you must report the loss to your vet and local rescue centres within 10 days of your cat going missing and provide us with confirmation that you have done so.
- If you lose a cat or dog, you should phone us and report the possible loss. You should then fill in a claim form if your pet has not been found after 45 days.
- 3. You must provide proof of the amount you paid for your pet. If you do not have proof of the amount you paid for your pet we may not pay your claim.
- 4. If after claiming **your pet** is found or returns, **you** must repay **us** the full amount **we** have paid out under this section of the cover.

## SECTION F BOARDING KENNEL FEES

We will refund you for licensed boarding kennel, cattery or pet-minding service fees up to £1,000 in any period of insurance if you, or a member of your family who permanently lives with you, goes into hospital due to illness or injury for more than four days in a row during a period of insurance and the boarding kennel fees section (Loss of pet & boarding fees) appears on your schedule.

#### Exclusions

#### We will not pay for the following:

- **1.** Any period in hospital that **you** were aware was likely at the start date of this insurance.
- 2. Costs as a result of nursing-home care or convalescence care that **you** do not receive in hospital.
- **3.** Costs as a result of any hospital stay that is not on the advice of a doctor, specialist or consultant.

#### **Claims conditions**

- 1. You must keep all receipts issued by the boarding kennel or cattery, or from the person responsible for looking after your pet, showing the dates and costs.
- You must also get confirmation of the period you or your family members were in hospital and any extra information we ask for. You will have to pay for this.

### SECTION G HOLIDAY CANCELLATION

We will refund you up to £5,000 in any period of insurance for any expenses that you cannot get back from anywhere else if you have to cancel your holiday or for extra expenses to get you home if you cut short your holiday during a period of insurance and the Holiday cancellation section appears on your schedule because your pet:

- a) needs sudden unexpected life saving surgery within the seven day period before **you** go on **your** holiday; or
- b) goes missing while **you** are away or in the seven day period before **you** go on **your** holiday.

#### Exclusions

#### We will not pay for the following:

- Any condition that is likely to need emergency life saving surgery that you were aware of before booking the holiday.
- 2. For any claim if **treatment** could have been provided eight days or more before **you** were due to go away and by having that treatment the life saving surgery could have been avoided.
- 3. The first £100 for any claim.

#### **Claims conditions**

- You must get the booking invoice and cancellation invoice from your travel agent or tour operator. This should show the total non-recoverable charges made and the date of the cancellation. You must be able to prove that you cannot get these back from anywhere else.
- 2. You must also give us any more information and supporting documents, which we may ask for.
- **3.** If a charge is made for getting this information **we** will not pay for this.

### SECTION H THIRD PARTY LIABILITY COVER (APPLIES TO DOGS ONLY)

This cover only applies if you (or any member of your family permanently living with you, or to any person whom you have asked to look after your pet) are not already covered under any other liability insurance or household insurance, or unless the cover provided by another insurance has been used up. We will pay up to £2 million in any period of insurance towards costs you (or any member of your family permanently living with you, or any person whom you have asked to look after your pet) become legally liable to pay as compensation, for accidental bodily injury or accidental damage to property caused by the insured pet that happens during a period of insurance. We will also pay any extra costs or expenses you have to pay, but only if we have agreed to them in writing beforehand and the Third party liability section appears on your policy schedule.

#### Exclusions

#### We will not pay for the following:

- 1. The first £250 of compensation or legal proceedings for any claim.
- **2.** Any liability under any agreement or contract, unless **you** would have been liable anyway.
- 3. Deliberate acts by you, members of your family or anyone who you asked to look after your pet.
- 4. Loss or damage to property belonging to or in the custody or control of you and your family, any person employed by you, members of your household or people whom you have asked to look after your pet.
- 5. Accidental bodily injury to you, a member of your family, people permanently living with you or people whom you have asked to look after your pet.
- 6. Accidental bodily injury to any person who is under a contract of service, or employment or apprenticeship with you when the injury or disease arises out of and in the course of employment by you.
- 7. Any compensation, costs or expenses if you, any member of your family, any person living with you, working with you or working for you is either responsible for or is looking after the property that is damaged.
- 8. Any compensation, costs or expenses that result from your profession, business or employment.
- Any compensation, costs or expenses if you have cover under any other insurance policy unless the cover provided by that policy has been used up.
- **10.** Any compensation, costs or expenses if **we** have not agreed to these before they arose.

#### **Claims conditions**

- 1. You must not admit or accept liability, negotiate or make any payment, or promise to make a payment without **our** permission in writing.
- 2. You must immediately contact us on the number shown to tell us about any possible claim. We will then tell you what to do with the letter, claim, writ or summons.
- **3. You** must give **us** all the information that **we** may reasonably need.
- 4. We will have control of any claim and legal proceedings relating to any claim, including the right to sue in your name but for our benefit for any claim, damages or liability.
- 5. You must give us details of any other insurance policy available which you could claim under.

## SECTION I OVERSEAS TRAVEL COVER

This part of overseas travel cover extends cover for **you** and **your pet** while on a **journey** if overseas travel cover is shown on **your** schedule. Some extra cover exclusions and special conditions relating to claims apply. **You** should read them with the sections to which they relate.

#### Extra cover to vet fees:

If a **vet** decides **your pet** should be put to sleep while it is on a **journey we** will pay up to £200 in total towards the cost of putting **your pet** to sleep, cremating it or disposing of its remains.

#### **Claims conditions**

- If your pet needs veterinary treatment while on a journey to a member country of the PETS Travel Scheme, you must pay the vet for any treatment while you are there.
- 2. You must keep all receipts and any evidence that can support your claim.
- 3. When you return you should phone us immediately and report the claim.
- 4. You must get the vet to fill in the claim form before you return to the United Kingdom. Return the fully filled-in form to us with all the paid veterinary receipts and any other supporting documents.
- 5. We will pay you at the current rate of exchange after taking off the excess in sterling.

## Extra claims conditions relating to claims under vet fees cover:

You have to obtain evidence, which we may ask you to give us at point of claims, that your pet was in good health and fit to travel at the start of the journey.

#### Extra exclusion to advertising and reward:

We will not pay for any reward claimed by anyone travelling on a **journey** with **you**.

## Extra claims conditions relating to claims under advertising and reward:

If you lose your pet on a journey you must report the loss to the relevant governing body or organisation in the country where your pet goes missing. If you make a claim, we will need to see written evidence that you have done this.

#### Extra exclusions to boarding kennel fees:

We will not pay for costs if you knew you were likely to go into hospital before starting a journey.

## Extra claims conditions relating to claims under boarding kennel fees if you have to stay in hospital:

While on a **journey you** must make sure **you** get evidence of **your** hospital stay before leaving the country in which you were treated.

#### Extra cover to holiday cancellation:

Cover is extended to cover you if you need to cut short your journey because your pet dies while on a journey, or cancel your holiday within seven days of your planned departure date because your pet needs emergency life saving surgery and cannot travel on a journey.

## Extra claims conditions relating to claims under holiday cancellation cover:

If you cancel your journey because your pet is too ill to travel, you must support your claim with written evidence from a vet.

#### Extra exclusions to third party liability cover:

- **1. We** will not pay for any compensation, costs or expenses for injury or death to anyone travelling on a **journey** with **you** or staying with **you** during a **journey**.
- 2. We will not pay for any compensation, costs or expenses if the property damaged belongs to anyone travelling on a journey with you or staying with you during a journey.
- 3. We will not pay for any compensation, costs or expenses if you or anyone you are travelling on a journey with, or staying with during a journey is responsible for or looking after the property that is damaged.
- **4. We** will not pay any compensation, costs or expenses if these arise because **you** are responsible under the laws of the USA or Canada.

In addition to extending cover for sections shown on your schedule while on a journey cover is provided for the following:

#### Quarantine costs

We will pay up to  $\pounds 2,000$  in any period of insurance towards the cost of:

- Quarantine kennelling and costs involved in getting a new pet passport for your pet if a microchip of ISO standard 11784 or annex A to ISO standard 11785 fails; or
- 2. Quarantine kennelling if you have obeyed all the rules of the Pet Travel Scheme but your pet still has to go into quarantine because of illness.

#### Exclusions

#### We will not pay for the following:

- Fees if the microchip was not checked and found to be working properly within 14 days of your departure on a journey.
- Any fees as a result of a condition that you were aware of before the start of the journey.

#### Claims conditions relating to quarantine costs:

- 1. You must support your claim with documents to prove that your pet was microchipped before your journey with a microchip of ISO standard 11784 or Annex A to ISO standard 11785 and that this was checked within 14 days of you travelling on a journey.
- 2. You must keep all documents and receipts showing the dates and expenses you had to pay, and send these to us to support your claim.

#### If you lose your pet's passport

We will pay up to £250 in any period of insurance towards the cost of a replacement pet passport if you lose your original pet passport during a journey. This includes quarantine costs as a direct result of you losing your pet's passport.

#### Exclusions

#### We will not pay for the following:

- **1.** Any claim unless **you** report the loss of the **pet passport** to the **vet** who provided it within 24 hours of discovering its loss.
- **2.** Any damage, loss or theft that happens before the start of **your journey**.

## Claims conditions relating to claims for losing your pet's passport:

You must provide documents and receipts to support your claim.

#### Repeat Tapeworm treatment

You must support your claim with documents to prove that the original Tapeworm **treatment** was carried out and that this was done in the timescales needed under the **Pet Travel Scheme**.

#### Exclusions

We will not pay for the following:

- 1. Any costs involved in getting the first Tapeworm **treatment** needed under the **Pet Travel Scheme** on each **journey**.
- 2. Any costs if the first Tapeworm **treatment** done (on each **journey**) was not carried out in the timescale needed under the **Pet Travel Scheme**.
- 3. Any costs if the Tapeworm **treatment** was not necessary under the **Pet Travel Scheme**.

#### Claims conditions relating to claims under the repeat Tapeworm treatment cover:

- 1. You must support your claim with documents to prove that the original Tapeworm was carried out and that this was done in the timescales needed under the Pet Travel Scheme.
- 2. You must support your claim with documents to prove that the Tapeworm treatment was needed under the Pet Travel Scheme.

#### Emergency expenses abroad

## We will pay up to £500 for each journey towards the following:

- Reasonable accommodation expenses and any other expenses to take you and your pet home if your pet needs emergency treatment from a vet, and as a result of this you miss your return travel to the United Kingdom.
- 2. Reasonable accommodation and transport costs for up to four days to look for your pet if your pet is lost or strays during a journey and within three days of the date you are due to return to the United Kingdom.
- 3. Reasonable extra expenses to take you home if your pet is lost or strays within the three days before you are due to return to the United Kingdom and you decide to stay abroad to try to find your pet.
- 4. Reasonable accommodation expenses and expenses to take you and your pet home if you miss your departure to the United Kingdom as a direct result of losing your pet's passport.
- 5. Reasonable accommodation expenses and expenses to take you and your pet home if the carrier delays your departure for the United Kingdom and you miss your rearranged departure as a direct result of having to get repeat Tapeworm treatment.

## Special claims conditions relating to claims for emergency expenses abroad:

**1. You** must support **your** claim with documents to show the amounts and dates of any expenses, and that these were proportionate, necessary and covered by this policy.

## GENERAL EXCLUSIONS

The following apply to the whole of **your** policy. Any further specific exclusions are shown in the section of cover to which they apply.

#### What is not covered:

- **1. We** do not cover any claims for a **pet** under the age of eight weeks.
- We do not cover any claims under any section of cover where you have not paid the premium.
- 3. We do not cover any claim for or in connection with any condition or event arising due to illness or disease within the first 14 days of your pet being covered.
- **4. We** do not cover any claims in connection with or arising from any **pre-existing condition**.
- 5. We do not cover any claim as a result of a condition that a routine vaccination is available for, unless **treatment** is needed because the vaccine has not worked. A routine vaccination is any that your **vet** recommends **your pet** should have.
- 6. We do not cover any claim that is in any way linked to vicious tendencies or **behavioural disorders your pet** showed signs of before cover started.
- 7. We do not cover any indirect loss, unless specifically covered by the policy, including but not limited to the cost of transporting **your pet** to a **vet**, loss of earnings due to time off work or the cost of pet mobility aids.
- **8.** We do not cover any claim as a result of terrorism, war, invasion or riots.
- **9.** We do not cover any claim following the **pet** being killed by order of any government, local authority or authorised person, or is destroyed or injured by someone acting with the legal powers to do so.
- 10. We We do not cover any dog that is listed under the United Kingdom Dangerous Dogs Act 1991 or the Dogs (Northern Ireland) Order 1983. Please see the GOV.UK website for further information about the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991.
- We do not cover malicious or deliberate injury or gross negligence to your pet caused by you, your agents or members of your family.
- 12. We do not cover any medication, unless prescribed by a vet.
- **13. We** do not cover any claims arising from **your pet** worrying livestock.
- 14. We do not cover any claims where your pet has been used for, or claims arising from the use of your pet for commercial, racing, breeding, work or security purposes unless we have agreed to this.

- **15. We** do not cover any loss where **United Kingdom** animal health or import laws have been broken.
- 16. We do not cover any claim caused by or in any way related to a condition that is excluded either on your policy schedule or in a separate endorsement.
- **17.** We do not cover any pet that is sold or where you temporarily or permanently give up any financial interest in the pet.
- 18. We do not cover any claim as a result of diseases that should be reported to an authority such as, (but not limited to), rabies.
- **19. We** do not cover any shortfall in payment or loss caused by currency changes, exchange rate changes, or currency or exchange charges or more than the maximum amounts shown in each section including VAT where this is payable.
- 20. We do not cover any claim as a result of travel outside of the United Kingdom, unless you have overseas travel cover under this policy, in which case we will not pay for any claim as a result of travel outside the qualifying countries covered by the Pet Travel Scheme.
- We do not cover any claim arising from, related to or costs associated with criminal proceeding or fines.

#### If you have overseas travel cover What is not covered:

- 22. Any claim as a result of you failing to meet any conditions of the **Pet Travel Scheme**. This applies to conditions set by the UK government, a carrier or other countries involved in the scheme.
- **23.** Any costs that the **carrier** may charge to carry out checks in connection with the **Pet Travel Scheme**.
- 24. Your costs in meeting the conditions of the Pet Travel Scheme, unless specifically covered in this policy.
- 25. You to bring your pet home if it dies.

## GENERAL CONDITIONS

If this cover does not meet **your** needs please call our client helpline number on **0800 533 5204** within 14 days of receiving **your** documents. **We** will return any premium you have paid as long as no claims have been made during that time.

#### The following conditions apply to the whole policy.

- Throughout the period of insurance, you must take care of your pet and arrange and pay for your pet to have any treatment normally recommended by a vet to prevent illness or injury.
- 2. If a **period of insurance** is less than 12 months the limits that apply to each section of cover may be proportionally applied.
- 3. The insured pet must be free from any injury, illness or physical disability at the start date of this insurance or of being added to the insurance. If covered to go on a journey (Overseas travel cover) your pet must be in good health and fit to travel at the start of your journey.
- 4. You and your pet's main home must be in the United Kingdom. If travelling on a journey, your pet must not have been outside the qualifying countries included in the Pet Travel Scheme in the six months immediately before the start of your journey.
- 5. If in the United Kingdom and your pet is a dog it must wear a collar that shows details that will allow you to be reunited with your pet. If your pet is on a journey with you, whether your pet is a cat or a dog, it must wear a collar that shows details that will allow you to be reunited with your pet.
- 6. Wherever possible, you must contact us before any costs for which you may wish to claim arise or directly after the initial costs have arisen and before any further costs arise. If you do not contact us your claim may not be covered or may not be paid in full.
- 7. You must pay for your pet to have a dental examination every year and to have any dental treatment recommended by your vet to prevent disease.
- 8. You agree that your current or any previous vet may give us information or records about any insured pet. If the vet makes a charge for this, you must pay the charge.
- 9. We may give information about your pet insurance policy to any vet who has either treated your pet or is about to treat your pet.
- If we ask you to take your pet to a vet of our choice, you must do so.
- If there is any disagreement between your vet and our vet, an independent vet who you and we agree to will make the final decision, which you and we must keep to.
- 12. You must be honest in your dealings with us at all times.

We will not pay a claim that is in any way fraudulent, false or exaggerated.

If **you**, any person insured under this policy or anyone acting on **your** behalf attempts to deceive **us** or knowingly makes a fraudulent, false or exaggerated claim:

- your policy may be cancelled
- we may reject your claim and any subsequent claims
- we may keep any premium you have paid.

#### What happens if we discover fraud

We have the right to cancel any other products you hold with us and share information about your behaviour with other organisations to prevent further fraud. We may also involve the relevant authorities who are empowered to bring criminal proceedings.

If a fraudulent, false or exaggerated claim has been made under any other policy **you** hold with **us**, **we** may cancel this policy.

- 13. If you fail to keep to the conditions of this policy, all cover may be invalid from the start date of the policy.
- 14. When you claim, you agree to give us any information we may reasonably ask for. You must provide and pay for all the documents we may need. This includes vet certificates and records, and details of any other relevant insurance that may apply.
- 15. We reserve the right to alter the policy if a change in legislation or taxation or any judicial decision so requires. We will give you one month's written notice of any such alteration unless a shorter notice is necessary to comply with any of these requirements. If you do not wish to continue your cover following an alteration you may cancel this policy as set out below.
- 16. a) You may cancel the policy by contacting us on 0800 533 5204 or by giving us written notice. We will refund any premium paid for the remaining period of insurance, as long as you have not made any claim in the current period of insurance.
  - b) We have the right to cancel your policy at any time by giving you 14 days' notice in writing where there is a valid reason for doing so. We will send our cancellation letter to the latest address we have for you. Valid reasons may include but are not limited to:
    - where **you** are required, in accordance with the terms of this policy, to co-operate with **us**, or send **us** information or documentation and **you** fail to do so in a way that substantially affects our ability to process **your** claim, or deal with **your** policy;
    - where there are changes to your circumstances which mean you no longer meet our criteria for providing pet insurance;
    - where you have used threatening or abusive behaviour or language or you have intimidated or bullied our staff or suppliers.
    - if you or any other person responsible for your dog is found guilty by a court of law of an offence under the Dangerous Dogs Act we will cancel your policy with effect from the date of the court decision and no further claims payments, for new or ongoing claims, will be made after this date.

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If **we** cancel **your** policy **we** will return the premium paid less the amount for the period the policy has been in force.

17. When your policy is due for renewal, we may offer to renew it for you automatically using the payment details you have already given, unless we or you have advised otherwise. We will write to you at least 21 days before your policy ends to confirm your renewal premium and policy terms. If you do not want to renew your policy you must call us before your renewal date to let us know. It is not possible to offer automatic renewal with all payment methods so please check your renewal invite for further details.

If we are unable to offer renewal terms we will write to you at your last known address to let you know.

18. If we have been unable to collect your premium on the date it is due, we will assume that you do not want to continue with your policy unless you tell us otherwise.

We will, however, write to you in order to give you the opportunity to make the payment. If the premium remains unpaid by the date we set out in our letter, we will confirm in writing that your policy finished at the end of the period of insurance for which we last received payment.

No further claim payments, for new or ongoing claims, will be made after this date.

- 19. If you have any legal rights against another person in relation to your claim, we may take over and use your rights in your name against any other person for our own benefit and take legal action against them in your name at our expense. You must give us all the help you can and provide any documents we ask for.
- 20. If, when you claim, there is any other insurance under which you are entitled to payment, you must tell us the name and address of the insurance company and the number of the policy you hold with them. We will not make any payment for any claim that results from an incident covered by other insurance unless the cover provided by that insurance has been used up.
- 21. We may change any details relating to your policy and premium on each renewal date of the start date of your insurance policy. Your pet's claims history will be taken into account.
- 22. It is your responsibility to check the accuracy of all information provided on or with a claim form by a vet or anyone else.

#### If you have overseas travel cover the following will apply

23. If travelling on a journey with your pet, you must meet all the conditions of the Pet Travel Scheme. You must have a current pet passport before you start your journey and any other necessary documents needed under the Pet Travel Scheme. For further details on the Pet Travel Scheme please contact the Pet Travel Scheme helpline on on 0370 241 1710 or visit the GOV.UK website.

- 24. Your pet must not work on a journey (other than as a registered guide or hearing dog) unless we have agreed to this in writing.
- 25. You must not make more than three journeys (and of no more than 30 days each) in a period of insurance, unless we agree to this in writing.

## HELPLINES

(The helplines cannot deal with any policy or claims queries.)

#### Your policy includes some general support for you Find a vet

If you and your pet are away from home in the United Kingdom and your pet needs urgent veterinary care, you can ring our helplines to find the nearest vet for you. Phone: 0800 533 5258.

#### Bereavement counselling

This is an understanding, confidential and professional service where **you** can talk for as long as **you** need about the death of **your pet**. It is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Phone: **0800 533 5258**.

#### Pet legal

This provides advice about legal issues in plain English and in a friendly and helpful way. It is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Phone: **0800 533 5258**.

#### Pet minders

This helps **you** find a registered pet minder if you need someone to look after **your pet** while **you** are away. Phone: **0800 533 5258**.

#### Pet Travel Scheme

The DEFRA helpline provides useful information on the Pet Travel Scheme. This is available by phone on **0370 241 1710** or by visiting the GOV.UK website.



At U K Insurance Limited we are aware of the trust you place in us when you buy a policy we underwrite and our responsibility to protect your information.

This notice describes who we are, why we need to collect your information and how we will use it.

We will tell you who we share your information with and how we use it to improve the service we provide to our customers.

You are giving your information to NatWest (a member of The Royal Bank of Scotland Group) and U K Insurance Limited (UKI). In this Information statement 'we', 'us' and 'our' refers to The Royal Bank of Scotland plc and UKI unless otherwise stated.

#### Privacy

#### Why we need your information

We need your information to give you quotations, and manage your insurance policy, including underwriting and claims handling. Your information comprises of all the details we hold about you and your transactions and includes information we obtain about you from third parties. We will only collect the information we need so that we can provide you with the service you expect from us.

## How we will use your information and who we will share it with

NatWest Pet Insurance is underwritten by U K Insurance Limited (UKI).

During the course of our dealings with you we may need to use your information to:

- Assess financial and insurance risks,
- Prevent and detect crime including anti money laundering and financial sanctions,
- To comply with our legal and regulatory obligations,
- Develop our products, services, systems and relationships with you,
- Record your preferences in respect of products and services,
- Recover any debt or if you have any outstanding debt from previous dealings with us we will only offer you a policy upon settlement of the full outstanding amount,
- Review our records for signs of any previous fraudulent activity which may affect our ability to offer you cover.

In carrying out the actions above we may:

- Use the information we hold in our system about you,
- Share the information with agencies that carry out certain activities on our behalf (for example marketing agencies or those who help us underwrite your policy)
- Use and share your information with our approved suppliers where this is reasonably required to help deal

with your claim or let you benefit from our policyholder services, including with our credit hire providers and legal advisors,

 Disclose some of your information and that of others named on the policy to other insurers, third party underwriters, reinsurers, credit reference, fraud prevention, regulators and law enforcement agencies and other companies that provide service to us or you.

We do not disclose your information to anyone except where:

- We have your permission,
- We are required or permitted to do so by law,
- We may transfer rights and obligations under this agreement.

#### Where we transfer your information

From time to time we may require services from suppliers that are based worldwide and your information will be shared with them for the purposes of providing that service. Where we engage these suppliers we require that they apply the same levels of protection, security and confidentiality we apply. However, such information may be accessed by law enforcement agencies and other authorities to prevent and detect crime and comply with legal obligations.

#### Sensitive Information

Some of the personal information we ask you for may be sensitive personal information, as defined by the Data Protection Act 1998 (such as information about health or criminal convictions). We will not use such sensitive personal data about you or others except for the specific purpose for which you provide it and to provide the services described in your policy documents.

#### Dealing with other people

If you would like someone else to deal with your policy on your behalf on a regular basis, please let us know. It is our policy to deal with those you have requested to be noted on your policy. In some exceptional cases we may also deal with other people who call on your behalf, with your consent. If at any time you would prefer us to deal only with you, please let us know.

#### Keeping you informed

From time to time we may need to change the way we use your information. Where we believe you may not reasonably expect such a change we will write to you. When we do so, you will have 60 days to object to the change but if we do not hear from you within that time you consent to that change.

#### Fraud Prevention and Anti-Money Laundering

Please take time to read the following as it contains important information relating to the details you have given or should give to us. You should show this notice to anyone whose data has been supplied to us in connection with your policy.

To prevent and detect fraud we may at any time:

Share information with other organisations and public bodies including the police although we only do so in compliance with the Data Protection Act 1998

Check and/or file details with fraud prevention agencies and databases and if we are given false or inaccurate information and we identify fraud, we will record this. We and other organisations may also use and search these agencies and databases from the UK and other countries to:

- Help make decisions about the provision and administration of insurance, credit and related services for you and members of your household,
- Trace debtors or beneficiaries, recover debt, prevent fraud, and to manage your accounts or insurance policies,
- Check your identity to prevent money laundering, unless you provide us with other satisfactory proof of identity.

Law enforcement agencies may access and use this information.

We and other organisations may also access and use this information to prevent fraud and money laundering, for example when:

- Checking applications for, and managing credit and other facilities and recovering debt,
- · Checking insurance proposals and claims,
- · Checking details of job applicants and employees.

We, and other organisations that may access and use information recorded by fraud prevention agencies, may do so from other countries.

We can provide the names and addresses of the agencies we use if you would like a copy of your information held by them. Please contact: **Data Protection Officer** at, UKI, Churchill Court, Westmoreland Road, Bromley, BR1 1DP quoting your reference. The agencies may charge a fee.

#### **Financial Sanctions**

We will use information about you and that of others named on policy to ensure compliance with financial sanctions in effect in the UK and internationally. This will include the checking of your information against the HM Treasury list of financial sanctions targets as well as other publically available sanctions lists. Your information and that of others named on policy may be shared with HM Treasury and other international regulators where appropriate. You may also be contacted in order to provide further details in order to ensure compliance with Financial Sanctions requirements.

#### **Credit Reference Agencies**

We carry out a consumer search when any application for insurance is submitted to evaluate insurance risks. This is done only using the data that is publically accessible on your credit file (i.e. bankruptcy, CCJ and electoral roll information). Information about access to the public part of your credit file is automatically deleted after 12 months and in no way affects your ability to obtain credit.

You will have been asked to agree to this when you first contacted us but please ensure that you only provide us with sensitive information about other people with their consent.

#### Access to your information

You have the right to see the information we hold about you. This is called Subject Access Request. If you would like a copy of your information, please write to:

**Data Access Team** at, UKI, Churchill Court, Westmoreland Road, Bromley, BR1 1DP quoting your reference. A fee may be payable.

#### Monitoring and recording calls

We may monitor and record phone calls to improve **our** service and to prevent and detect fraud.

#### How to complain

If you need to complain, please call us on 0800 533 5204 or write to:

NatWest Private Insurance, 8th Floor, 42 The Headrow, Leeds LS1 8HZ

If we cannot sort out the differences between you and us, you can take the matter to the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS). It is an independent organisation that operates according to the rules made by the Financial Conduct Authority.

Their address is: Financial Ombudsman Service, Exchange Tower, London E14 9SR.

#### Phone: 0300 123 9123 or 0800 023 4567.

You can visit the FOS website at www.fos.org.uk. The FOS will contact us for you.

The FOS will tell **you** its decision direct. Being referred to the FOS will not affect **your** legal rights.

If **you** are a business and for any reason **your** complaint falls outside of the jurisdiction of the FOS then **we** will still respond to **your** complaint but if **we** cannot sort out the differences between **us**, **you** will not be able to refer the matter to FOS. However, this will not affect **your** legal rights.

#### Details about our regulator

U K Insurance Limited is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority under registration number 202810. The Financial Conduct Authority website, which includes a register of all regulated firms, can be visited at www.fca.org.uk, or the Financial Conduct Authority can be contacted on 0800 111 6768 or 0300 500 8082.

#### The Financial Services and Markets Act 2000

Under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000, should the **company** be unable to meet all its liabilities to policyholders, compensation may be available. Insurance advising and arranging is covered for 90% of the whole claim with no upper limit. For compulsory classes of insurance, insurance advising and arranging is covered for 100% of the claim, without any upper limit. Information can be obtained on request, or by visiting the Financial Services Compensation Scheme **www.fscs.org.uk**.

#### Your right to cancel

If, after buying **your** policy, **you** decide that the cover does not meet **your** needs, please call **us** on 0800 533 5204, or return all your documents within 14 days of receiving them to NatWest Private Insurance, 8th Floor, 42 The Headrow, Leeds LS1 8HZ. **We** will return any premium paid in full as long as no claims have been made on the policy during that time. If a claim has been made **you** will not be entitled to a refund. For cancellation after the first 14 days please refer to the general conditions section of the policy.

### YOUR FIXED SUM CREDIT AGREEMENT

#### Your right to cancel your credit agreement

If you have chosen to pay by instalments, **you** may cancel your credit agreement within 14 days of receiving it. If **you** would like to cancel your credit agreement please call **us** on **0800 533 5204** or write to **us** at the address shown on **your** documents. If **you** cancel **your** Agreement **you** will need to arrange for payment of any outstanding policy premium.

You have the right to end the credit agreement at any time. If you wish to do so you should let us know. If you do this any outstanding balance of the policy premium must be settled in order for your insurance cover to continue under the policy.

## Other important information about your credit agreement.

If **you** decide to cancel **your** policy, **your** credit agreement will automatically be terminated; any refunds will be paid pro rata unless there is a claim, when the full premium will be due.

We may terminate your credit agreement if you fail to pay any instalment by the due date. For full details please see the terms of your Fixed Sum Credit Agreement.

It is possible that other taxes or costs not imposed by **us** may apply to this Agreement.

If you have a complaint about your credit agreement you should refer to the 'how to complain' section of this policy booklet.

English law applies to **your** Agreement and courts in England or Wales may deal with disputes in connection with this Agreement unless **you** live in Scotland where Scottish law will apply and Scottish courts may deal with disputes in connection with this Agreement. **We** have supplied this Agreement and other information to **you** in English and **we** will continue to communicate with **you** in English.

We will also be happy to send you any of our brochures, letters or statements in Braille, large print or audio, upon request.

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