

# Group Personal Accident

**Product Disclosure Statement and Policy Wording** 



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# **Product Disclosure Statement**

Please read this Product Disclosure Statement (PDS) carefully to ensure *You* understand what insurance cover is provided. If *You* have any questions or if *You* would like more information, please contact *Your* broker.

# **ABOUT US**

We are Berkshire Hathaway Specialty Insurance Company (ABN 84 600 643 034, AFS Licence No. 466713). We are authorised by the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority to carry on general insurance business in Australia. You can reach Us by email at <a href="mailto:australia@bhspecialty.com">australia@bhspecialty.com</a> or You can write to Us at GPO Box 650, Sydney NSW 2001.

# ABOUT THIS PDS

This PDS, which includes the *Policy* Wording, contains important information about the *Policy*. It aims to help *You*:

- decide whether the cover provided will meet Your needs; and
- compare it with other products *You* may be considering.

Other documents may comprise the PDS and We will tell You if this is the case in the relevant document.

The *Policy* provides a number of covers which may or may not be provided to *You* as a retail client under the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) depending on *Your* circumstances. Only the parts of the *Policy* document relevant to cover provided to *You* as a retail client and any other documents which *We* tell *You* are included, make up the PDS for the purposes of the Act.

We do not provide any advice in this PDS about this product and have not considered *Your* objectives, financial situation or needs. *You* should carefully consider the information provided having regard to *Your* personal circumstances to decide if it is right for *You*.

### **UPDATING THIS PDS**

This PDS was prepared on 17th June 2019.

We may update the information contained in this PDS when necessary. We will issue You with a new PDS or a Supplementary PDS, except in limited circumstances. Where the information is not something that would be materially adverse from the point of view of a reasonable person deciding whether to acquire this insurance We may issue You with a copy of any updated information in other forms. You can get a paper copy free of charge by contacting Us.

# ABOUT YOUR POLICY

Where *We* agree to enter into a *Policy* with *You* it is a contract of insurance between *Us* and *You* (see the definition of "*You*" for details of who is covered by this term). The contract is based upon the information *You* gave *Us* when *You* applied for the insurance, and any subsequent information which *You* have supplied.

You must pay the *Premium*, including government taxes and charges, for the relevant *Period of Insurance* and comply with all the *Policy* terms and conditions.

If We issue You a Policy, it will consist of:

- this document which sets out information on the insurance and the standard terms and conditions (including any limits and exclusions) that apply;
- Your relevant Policy Schedule that We give You. The Policy Schedule sets out the covers relevant to You and should be read together with the Policy Wording. It may include additional terms and conditions (including any limits and exclusions) that amend the standard terms of this document.
- Any other change to the terms of *Your Policy* otherwise advised by *Us* in writing (such as an endorsement or Supplementary PDS).

These are all important documents and should be carefully read together to ensure the cover provided is accurate. They form *Your* legal contract with *Us*. Please keep them in a safe place for future reference.

# APPLYING FOR YOUR POLICY

Please complete the proposal form and provide any additional information requested by *Your* broker. *Your* broker will then submit *Your* application for *Our* consideration.

# THE COST OF YOUR POLICY

The *Premium* payable for *Your Policy* is determined by *Our* assessment of the risk to be insured as well as the taxes and government charges that are applicable.

When calculating *Your Premium*, *We* take a number of factors into account including occupations, number of *Insured Persons*, the *Events*, amounts insured, activities being undertaken and *Your* claims history.

Your Premium also includes amounts that take into account Our obligations in relation to any relevant compulsory government charges, taxes or levies (e.g. Stamp Duty, GST) in relation to Your Policy. These amounts will be set out separately in the Policy Schedule as part of the total amount payable.

When *You* apply for this insurance, *We* will advise *Your* broker of the total *Premium* amount payable, when it needs to be paid and how it can be paid. This amount will be set out in the *Policy Schedule*, which will be sent to *You* after the entry into the *Policy*. If *You* fail to pay *We* may reduce any claim payment by the amount of *Premium* owing and/or cancel the *Policy*.

# **PAYING YOUR PREMIUM**

You must pay Your Premium by the due date. If We do not receive Your Premium by this date or Your payment is dishonoured, We may be entitled to reduce or refuse to pay a claim and cancel the Policy.

### **INSTALMENT PREMIUMS**

In some cases a service fee will apply where *You* select to pay *Your Premium* by instalments. *We* will tell *You* the total amount payable when *You* apply and when and how it can be paid. This is detailed in the *Policy Schedule We* issue to *You*.

If You pay Your Premium by way of instalments and:

- the *Premium* instalment remains unpaid for at least 14 days after the due date of the instalment, We may refuse to pay any claim under the *Policy* arising from an event occurring after the due date of the instalment;
- the *Premium* instalment remains unpaid after the due date of the instalment, *We* may cancel *Your Policy* by providing the *Policyholder* with written notice of cancellation.

# RENEWING THE POLICY

Before *Your Policy* expires *We* will advise *You* via *Your* broker whether *We* intend to offer renewal and if so on what terms.

This PDS also applies for any offer of renewal, unless We tell You otherwise.

It is important that *You* check the terms of any renewal offer before renewing to ensure that the details are correct. In particular, check the sums insured and any applicable *Excess(es)* to ensure the levels of cover are appropriate for *You*.

Please note that You need to comply with the Duty of Disclosure before each renewal.

# INSURED PERSONS ACCESS TO BENEFITS UNDER THE POLICY

An *Insured Person* may only make a claim for benefits for which cover is available in accordance with the *Policy* terms and conditions, limitations and exclusions.

An *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover* begins on the date the *Insured Person* is added to the *Policy* by *Us* at request of the *Policyholder* and ends on the earlier of:

- the time they cease to be an Insured Person;
- the time the *Policyholder* requests that such *Insured Person* no longer has access to benefits under the *Policy*;
- the date the *Policy* ends in accordance with the *Policy* or law (for example, when the *Period of Insurance* ends, the *Policy* is not renewed or is cancelled).

Cover in respect to an *Insured Person's Spouse or Partner* and/or *Dependent Child(ren)* will end on the earlier of:

- the date insurance cover in respect of the applicable *Insured Person* is terminated in accordance with the above; or
- the date such Spouse or Partner and/or Dependent Child(ren) ceases to be a Spouse or Partner and/or Dependent Child(ren) of the Insured Person.

We are not obliged to notify an Insured Person, Spouse or Partner and/or Dependent Child(ren) of termination of the Policy.

# AUTHORISATION AND NOTIFICATIONS

By acceptance of the *Policy*, the *Policyholder* agrees to act on behalf of *Insured Persons* as well as itself with respect to the giving and receiving of notice of claim or cancellation, the payment of *Premiums* and the receiving of any return *Premium* due under the *Policy*, the negotiation, agreement to and acceptance of endorsements, and the giving and receiving of any notice provided in the *Policy*, and *Insured Persons* agree that the *Policyholder* shall act on their behalf.

Neither *We* nor the *Policyholder* hold anything on trust for, or for the benefit or on behalf of an *Insured Person* under this insurance arrangement. The *Policyholder* does not:

- act on behalf of *Us* or an eligible person in relation to the insurance;
- and is not authorised to provide any financial product advice, recommendations or opinions about the insurance; and
- receive any remuneration or other benefits from *Us*.

Insured Persons have a right to benefits in accordance with the Policy solely by operation of section 48 of the Insurance Contracts Act 1984 (Cth). They can make a claim but do not enter into any agreement with Us and are not charged by Us for the right to make a claim for those benefits.

Any person who may be insured under the *Policy* should consider obtaining advice as to whether the benefits are appropriate or useful for their personal needs from a person who is licensed to give such advice. No advice is provided by *Us* or the *Policyholder* that the benefits are appropriate or useful for any person's needs. Nothing prevents such persons from entering into other arrangements regarding insurance.

We will send all notices in relation to the Policy to:

- the *Policyholder's* nominated insurance intermediary until *We* receive written notice to the contrary from the *Policyholder*; or
- if there is no nominated intermediary, the *Policyholder*, acting on the behalf of *Insured Persons*.

Any notice We give the Policyholder will be in writing, and it will be effective:

- if it is delivered to the *Policyholder* or their agent personally; or
- if it is delivered or posted to the *Policyholder's* address (including an electronic address) or the *Policyholder's* intermediary's address last known to *Us*.

It is important for the *Policyholder* to tell *Us* of any change of address as soon as possible.

# ELECTRONIC DELIVERY OF POLICY DOCUMENTS

We will send Your Policy documents and any notices to Your broker by email unless You tell Us otherwise. If however You wish to receive Your Policy documents in hard copy, please tell Your broker.

# YOUR COOLING OFF RIGHTS

If You want to cancel Your Policy after You buy it, You may do so and receive a full refund of Your Premium. To do this, please notify Your broker in writing within twenty one (21) days from the date Your Policy commenced.

This cooling off right does not apply if *You* have made or are entitled to make a claim under the *Policy*.

Even after the cooling off period ends, *You* still have cancellation rights however *We* may deduct certain amounts from any refund that may be due for administration costs or any non-refundable government charges and taxes.

# YOUR DUTY OF DISCLOSURE

Before You enter into an insurance contract, You have a duty to tell Us anything that You know, or could reasonably be expected to know, may affect Our decision to insure You and on what terms. You have this duty until We agree to insure You. You have the same duty before You renew, extend, vary or reinstate an insurance contract.

You do not need to tell Us anything that:

- reduces the risk We insure You for; or
- is common knowledge; or
- We know or should know as an insurer; or
- We waive Your duty to tell Us about.

### IF YOU DO NOT TELL US SOMETHING

If You do not tell Us anything You are required to, We may cancel Your contract or reduce the amount We will pay You if You make a claim, or both.

If *Your* failure to tell *Us* is fraudulent, *We* may refuse to pay a claim and treat the contract as if it never existed.

# **PRIVACY NOTICE**

We are covered by the Privacy Act 1998 (Cth) and its Australian Privacy Principles (APPs), which set out standards for the collection, use, disclosure and handling of personal information. In this Privacy Notice We, Our and Us means Berkshire Hathaway Specialty Insurance Company ABN 84 600 643 034 along with all companies in the Berkshire Hathaway group of insurance companies, and third parties who provide services to Us or on Our behalf.

Personal information is essentially information or an opinion about an identified individual or an individual who is reasonably identifiable, whether the information or opinion is true or not and whether recorded in a material form or not. See the Privacy Act for full details.

This privacy notice applies from 17th June 2019 and details how We collect, disclose and handle Your personal information.

### What are the purposes We collect Your personal information for?

We, and entities acting on Our behalf, only collect personal information (including sensitive information) from or about You for the purposes of assessing Your application for insurance and administering Your insurance policy, including managing and administering any claim made by You.

# What happens if You don't give Us Your personal information?

Without *Your* personal information, *We* may not be able to provide *You* with *Our* services or products, issue insurance cover, administer *Your* insurance or process *Your* claim.

### How do We collect Your personal information?

Collection can take place through websites (from data *You* input directly or through cookies and other web analytic tools), email, by telephone or in writing.

We collect it directly from You unless You have consented to collection from someone other than You, it is unreasonable or impracticable for Us to do so or the law permits Us to.

If *You* provide *Us* with personal information about another person *You* must only do so with their consent and agree to make them aware of this privacy notice.

We will only use Your personal information in accordance with the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth) and for the purposes outlined above.

### Who do We disclose Your personal information to?

We may disclose Your personal information to other companies in the Berkshire Hathaway group and other third party service providers for the purposes outlined above or where disclosure is permitted by law. These entities may be located in Australia or overseas, including in India, Singapore, Hong Kong, New Zealand, the United Kingdom and the United States of America or countries where overseas medical or assistance services are provided. These details may change from time to time. You can contact Us for further information. Where such disclosure is made, We make all reasonable efforts to ensure that the arrangements We have in place with overseas parties impose appropriate privacy and confidentiality obligations on those parties to ensure that imparted personal information is kept secure and that such information is only used for the purposes noted above.

### How do You contact Us and what are Your opt out rights?

By providing *Us* with personal information *You* and any other person *You* provide personal information for, consent to these uses and disclosures unless *You* tell us otherwise. If *You* wish to withdraw your consent, please contact *Us*.

If *You* wish to obtain details of the personal information *We* hold about *You* (including to correct or update the personal information *We* hold about *You*), or if *You* have a complaint about a breach of *Your* privacy, please refer to *Our* privacy *Policy* available at <a href="http://www.bhspecialty.com/privacy-policy.html">http://www.bhspecialty.com/privacy-policy.html</a>, or contact *Us* by email to <a href="mailto:australasia.privacy.compliance@bhspecialty.com">australasia.privacy.compliance@bhspecialty.com</a>.

We reserve the right to refuse access under the grounds permitted by the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth) and if You are seeking information on another person's behalf, We will require written authorisation from that individual.

# **CONTACT US**

If You would like to make a complaint, please contact Us. In most cases We will be able to resolve the matter. If We cannot, You will be referred to a manager who will attempt to resolve the matter. A response will be provided within fifteen (15) business days.

# COMPLAINTS

We will do everything possible to provide a quality service to You. However, We recognise that occasionally there may be some aspect of Our service or a decision We have made that You wish to query or draw Our attention to. We have a complaints and dispute resolution procedure which undertakes to deal with Your complaint promptly. It is important to follow the complaint handling process so We are able to resolve Your concern effectively.

#### INDEPENDENT INTERNAL REVIEW

If You are dissatisfied with how Your complaint has been resolved, You can escalate Your complaint to Our Internal Dispute Resolution (IDR) department who will review the decision independently. You may be asked to put Your complaint in writing to Us.

You can contact Our IDR department by:

Post: Berkshire Hathaway Specialty Insurance GPO Box 650, Sydney NSW 2001

The IDR department will contact *You* with a decision within fifteen (15) business days of receiving *Your* complaint.

# REVIEW BY THE AUSTRALIAN FINANCIAL COMPLAINTS AUTHORITY

In most cases *We* can resolve any problems *Our* customers have but if *You* remain dissatisfied with how *We* have resolved *Your* concern *You* can contact the Australian Financial Complaints Authority (AFCA) for an independent external review at no cost to *You*, subject to its terms of reference. *We* are bound by any determination by AFCA but the decision is not binding on *You*.

AFCA can be contacted by:

Phone: 1800 931 678
Email: info@afca.org.au

**Post:** Australian Financial Complaints Authority

GPO Box 3, Melbourne VIC 3001

Web: www.afca.org.au

If the complaint is not covered by the AFCA scheme, *We* will advise *You* of other options for resolution that may be available to *You*.

# GENERAL INSURANCE CODE OF PRACTICE

We are a signatory to the General Insurance Code of Practice. The Code aims to:

- promote more informed relations between insurers and their customers;
- maintain and promote trust and confidence in the general insurance industry;
- provide fair and effective mechanisms for the resolution of complaints and disputes between insurers and their customers; and
- commit insurers and the professionals they rely upon to higher standards of customer service.

You can download a copy of the Code from <a href="http://codeofpractice.com.au">http://codeofpractice.com.au</a>.

# FINANCIAL CLAIMS SCHEME

This *Policy* may be a protected *Policy* under the Financial Claims Scheme (FCS) which protects certain insureds and claimants in the event of an insurer becoming insolvent. In the unlikely event of *Us* becoming insolvent *You* may be entitled to access the FCS, provided *You* meet the eligibility criteria.

More information about the FCS may be obtained from <a href="http://www.fcs.gov.au">http://www.fcs.gov.au</a> and the APRA hotline on 1300 55 88 49.

# WORDS WITH SPECIAL MEANING

Words that appear in italics in the *Policy* have special meaning, as provided in the General Definitions section. In some cases, certain words may be given a special meaning in a particular section of the *Policy* or when used or in the other documents making up the *Policy*.

Headings are provided for reference only and do not form part of the *Policy* for interpretation purposes.

# YOUR OBLIGATION TO COMPLY WITH THE POLICY TERMS AND CONDITIONS

You are required to comply with the terms and conditions of the *Policy*. Please remember that if You do not comply with any term or condition, We may (to the extent permitted by law) decline or reduce any claim payment and/or cancel Your Policy.

If more than one person is insured under the *Policy*, a failure or wrongful action by one of those persons may adversely affect the rights of any other person insured under the *Policy*.

# **Summary of Coverage**

Please note that this is a limited summary of some aspects of the insurance only and does not form part of the terms of the insurance. The *Policy* provides only those covers that are specified in the *Policy Schedule*. Those covers are subject to the terms, limitations, conditions and exclusions of the *Policy* that are not listed in the summary.

# PERSONAL ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS

### PART I – ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISABLEMENT

We will pay up to the agreed lump sum if an Insured Person suffers an Accident during the Period of Insurance and the Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover that results in Accidental Death or a Bodily Injury specified in the Table of Events.

### **PART II – WEEKLY INJURY BENEFIT**

We will pay a Weekly Injury Benefit following an Accident during the Period of Insurance and the Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover that results in Bodily Injury to an Insured Person.

### **PART III - FRACTURED BONES**

We will pay up to the agreed lump sum if an *Insured Person* suffers an *Accident* during the *Period of Insurance* and the *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover* that results in specified Fractured Bones.

### PART IV - BODILY INJURY RESULTING IN SURGERY OUTSIDE AUSTRALIA

We will pay up to the sum insured for specified surgery following an Accident that results in an Insured Person having to undergo Surgery outside of Australia.

### PART V - BODILY INJURY RESULTING IN LOSS OR DAMAGE TO TEETH

We will pay up to the agreed lump sum if an *Insured Person* suffers an *Accident* during the *Period of Insurance* and the *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover* that results in loss or damage to *Teeth*.

### **PART VI – WEEKLY SICKNESS BENEFIT**

We will pay up to the agreed lump sum if an *Insured Person* suffers *Sickness*, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*.

# PART VII – SICKNESS RESULTING IN SURGERY OUTSIDE AUSTRALIA

We will pay up to agreed lump sum if an *Insured Person* suffers *Sickness*, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover* that results in an *Insured Person* having to undergo specified surgery outside of Australia.

# BHSI HEALTH AND WELLBEING

We will provide a range of rehabilitation and assistance benefits if an Insured Person suffers a Bodily Injury, Sickness or other specified event during the Period of Insurance and after the Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover. Such benefits include:

- Terrorism Benefit;
- Accommodation and Transport Expenses;
- · Chauffeur Benefit;
- · Education Fund Benefit; and
- Unexpired Membership Benefit.

# **General Definitions**

The following general definitions apply for the purpose of all Sections of the *Policy*.

**Accident** means a single physical event that occurs by chance and is caused by sudden, external and identifiable means that could not have been expected by the *Insured Person*. An *Accident* must occur both during the *Period of Insurance* and the *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*.

Accidental Death means the death of an Insured Person as a result of an Accident.

**Act of Terrorism** means any planning, action or threat of action where the planning or action is done or the threat is made against persons or property with the intention of advancing a political, religious or ideological cause.

**Bodily Injury** means an identifiable physical injury resulting solely and directly from an *Accident* and which occurs independently of any *Sickness* or any other cause, where the *Bodily Injury* and *Accident* both occur during the *Period of Insurance* and the *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover.* It does not mean a *Sickness* or a *Pre-Existing Condition*.

**Complete Fracture** means a fracture in which the bone is broken completely across and no connection is left between the pieces.

**Dependent Child(ren)** means the *Insured Person's* and their *Spouse or Partner's* unmarried children (including step or legally adopted children) who are under nineteen (19) years of age, and living with the *Insured Person;* or under twenty five (25) years of age and are a full-time student at an accredited institution of higher learning and in either case, are primarily dependent upon the *Insured Person* for their maintenance and support.

This definition is also extended to include an *Insured Persons* unmarried children of any age whom permanently live with the *Insured Person* and are physically or mentally incapable of self-support.

**Doctor** means a *Doctor* or *Specialist* who is registered or licensed to practice medicine under the laws of the country in which they practice, other than:

- i. the Policyholder;
- ii. an Insured Person;
- iii. a Relative of the Insured Person; or
- iv. an Employee of the Policyholder.

**Effective Period of Cover** means the specified period for which an *Insured Person* has access to benefits under the *Policy* as provided under "*Insured Persons* Access to Benefits Under the *Policy*" on page 4 of this document.

**Employee** means any person in the *Policyholder's* service including board members and directors (executive and non-executive), and includes consultants, contractors, sub-contractors and/or self-employed persons undertaking work on the *Policyholder's* behalf.

**Event(s)** means the event(s) described in the relevant Table of Events set out under the Personal Accident and Sickness Section in the *Policy*.

**Excess** means the amount *We* will not pay of each and every claim which the *Policyholder* or *Insured Person* is required to bear themselves. This relevant amount will be stated in the *Policy Schedule* pertaining to each event.

**Excess Period** means a period of time directly following an event giving rise to a claim for which no benefits are payable as specified in the *Policy Schedule*.

Hairline Fracture means minute cracks in the bone.

**Income** means the weekly pre-tax earnings, derived from physical and personal exertion, earned on average by the *Insured Person*:

- i. over a period of one (1) year immediately prior to the event; or
- ii. over the period of employment if such period is shorter than one (1) year.

For self-employed *Insured Persons, Income* shall be calculated after deducting all necessarily incurred business expenses in deriving such *Income*.

For salaried *Insured Persons*, allowances, bonuses, commissions and overtime payments shall be excluded when deriving *Income*.

For total employment cost or salary packaged *Insured Persons, Income* includes wages, travel allowances, club membership fees, motor vehicle, housing loan or rental subsidy, clothing or meal allowances and excludes bonuses, overtime payments and commissions.

**Insured Person** means any person who is shown in the *Policy Schedule* as an *Insured Person* and/or meets the eligibility criteria under this *Policy*, is nominated by the *Policyholder*, agreed to by *Us* and with whom *Premium* has been paid or agreed to be paid for.

Limb means the entire limb between the shoulder and the wrist or between the hip and the ankle.

**Non-Scheduled Flight(s)** means travel in an aircraft whose flights are not conducted in accordance with fixed flying schedules, over specific air routes, to and from fixed terminals.

Other Fracture means any fracture other than a Simple Fracture, Complete Fracture or Hairline Fracture.

**Paraplegia** means the *Permanent* loss of use of both legs and the *Permanent* loss of use of the whole of or part of the lower half of the body.

**Period of Insurance** means the period declared on the *Policy Schedule* or such shorter time if the *Policy* ends earlier in accordance with its terms or law. Each renewal results in a new contract and new *Period of Insurance*.

**Permanent** means having lasted twelve (12) consecutive months and at the expiry of that time being without hope of improvement.

**Permanent Total Disablement** means total disablement as a result of an *Accident* which continues for twelve (12) consecutive months and at that time is certified by a *Doctor* as being beyond hope of improvement and entirely preventing the *Insured Person* forever from engaging in any business, profession, occupation or employment for which they are reasonably qualified by training, education or experience.

**Policy** means *Our* contract with the *Policyholder* and includes this *Policy* wording, the current *Policy Schedule* and any Endorsement or other document *We* may tell *You* forms part of the terms and conditions of the *Policy*.

**Policy Schedule** means the relevant and current *Policy Schedule* issued to *You* or the *Policyholder* by *Us.* A new *Policy Schedule* is issued on each renewal.

**Policyholder** means the named entity or person(s) listed as the *Policyholder* in the *Policy Schedule*. The *Policyholder* is the contracting insured.

**Pre-Existing Condition** means any *Sickness*, disease, disability, syndrome or other condition, including any symptoms or side effects of these:

- i. which the *Insured Person* is aware, or a reasonable person in the circumstances would be expected to have been aware in the twelve (12) month period prior to the *Insured Persons* being covered by this *Policy;*
- ii. which the *Insured Person* has sought or received medical attention, undergone tests or taken prescribed medication, in the twelve (12) months prior to the *Insured Person* being covered by this *Policy*; or
- iii. that is a terminal condition of which the *Insured Person* has been diagnosed at any time prior to the *Insured Person's* being covered by this *Policy*.

**Premium** means the amount shown in the *Policy Schedule* that is payable in respect of the *Policy* by the *Policyholder*.

**Professional Sport** means any sport for which an *Insured Person* receives any fee, monetary reward or sponsorship as a result of their participation.

Quadriplegia means the *Permanent* loss of use of both arms and both legs.

**Relative** means the *Insured Persons Spouse or Partner*, fiancé (e), child, step-child, parent, parent-in-law, step parent, brother, sister, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, half-brother, half-sister, niece, nephew, uncle, aunt, grandparent or grandchild.

**Sickness** means any illness, disease, disability, syndrome or other condition suffered by the *Insured Person*, occurring during the *Period of Insurance* and the *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, but does not include a *Bodily Injury* or *Pre-Existing Condition*.

**Simple Fracture** means a fracture in which there is a basic and uncomplicated break in the bone and which in the opinion of a *Doctor* requires minimal and uncomplicated medical treatment.

**Specialist** means a *Doctor* referred to or recognised by another *Doctor* as a *Specialist* in their field of medicine to whom they have referred the *Insured Person* to for treatment.

**Spouse or Partner** means an *Insured Person*'s husband or wife and includes a de-facto and/or life partner of any sex with whom the *Insured Person* has continuously cohabited for a period of three (3) months or more.

**Temporary Partial Disablement** means that in the opinion of a *Doctor*, the *Insured Person* is temporarily unable to engage in a substantial part of their usual occupation whilst an *Insured Person* and under the regular care of and acting in accordance with the instructions or advice of a *Doctor*.

**Temporary Total Disablement** means that in the opinion of a *Doctor*, the *Insured Person* is temporarily unable to engage in any part of their usual occupation whilst an *Insured Person* and under the regular care of and acting in accordance with the instructions or advice of a *Doctor*.

**Tooth or Teeth** means a sound and natural permanent tooth, including capped or crowned teeth, but does not include first teeth, dentures, implants and dental fillings.

**We/Our/Us** means the Berkshire Hathaway Specialty Insurance Company (ABN 84 600 643 034, AFS Licence 466713) who is the *Insurer* and issuer of this *Policy*.

**You/Your** means the *Policyholder* listed in the *Policy Schedule*.

# Personal Accident and Sickness

# **Personal Accident**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, an *Insured Person* suffers an *Accident* which directly results in *Bodily Injury* within 12 months of the *Accident*, *We* will pay the corresponding amounts shown in the Table of Events below under Part I to Part V if an amount is shown in the *Policy Schedule*.

# Sickness

In the event an *Insured Person* suffers *Sickness*, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, *We* will pay the corresponding amounts shown in the Table of Events below under Part VI and/or Part VII if an amount is shown in the *Policy Schedule*.

# TABLE OF EVENTS

## PART I – ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISABLEMENT

Cover for an *Event* under this Part I only applies if an amount is shown in the *Policy Schedule* Part I – Accidental Death and Disablement.

	<b>The Events</b> The following Event(s) must occur within 12 months of the date of the Accident.	Benefit Amounts  The amounts shown below are a percentage of the amount shown in Policy Schedule Part I – Accidental Death and Disablement.
1.	Accidental Death	100%
2.	Permanent Total Disablement	100%
3.	Permanent Paraplegia or Quadriplegia	100%
4.	Permanent loss of sight of one or both eyes	100%
5.	Permanent loss of use of one or more Limbs	100%
6.	Permanent and incurable insanity	100%
7.	Permanent loss of the lens of: (a) both eyes (b) one eye	100% 60%
8.	Permanent loss of hearing of:  (a) both ears  (b) one ear	80% 30%
9.	Burns: (a) third degree burns and/or resultant disfigurement which covers more than twenty percent (20%) of the entire external body	50%
	<ul><li>(b) second degree burns and/or resultant disfigurement which covers more than twenty percent (20%) of the entire external body</li></ul>	25%

	The Events  The following Event(s) must occur within 12 months of the date of the Accident.	Benefit Amounts  The amounts shown below are a percentage of the amount shown in Policy Schedule Part I – Accidental Death and Disablement.
10.	Permanent loss of use of four fingers and thumb of either hand	80%
11.	Permanent loss of use of four fingers of either hand	50%
12.	Permanent loss of use of the thumb of either hand:  (a) both joints  (b) one joint	40% 20%
13.	Permanent loss of use of fingers of either hand: (a) three joints (b) two joints (c) one joint	15% 10% 5%
14.	Permanent loss of use of toes of either foot:  (a) all – one foot  (b) great – both joints  (c) great – one joint  (d) other than great – each toe	15% 5% 3% 1%
15.	Fractured leg or kneecap with established non-union	10%
16.	Loss of at least fifty percent (50%) of all <i>Teeth</i>	1% to a maximum of \$10,000 in total
17.	Shortening of leg by at least five centimetres (5 cm)	7.5%
18.	Permanent Partial Disablement not otherwise provided for under Events 7 to 17.	Such percentage of the amount shown in Part I – Accidental Death and Disablement in the <i>Policy Schedule</i> as <i>We</i> at <i>Our</i> absolute discretion determine being not inconsistent with the Benefit Amount provided under <i>Events</i> 7 to 17. The maximum amount payable under <i>Event</i> 18. ( <i>Permanent</i> Partial Disablement) is fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000).

# **PART II – WEEKLY INJURY BENEFIT**

Cover for an *Event* under this Part II only applies if an amount is shown in the *Policy Schedule* Part II – Weekly Injury Benefit.

The Events The following Event(s) must occur within 12 months of the date of the Accident.	Benefit Amounts The amounts shown below are a percentage of the amount shown under Policy Schedule Part II – Weekly Injury Benefit.
19. Temporary Total Disablement	Where an Insured Person suffers Temporary Total Disablement as a result of a Bodily Injury and where that Temporary Total Disablement persists, after the Excess Period, We will pay up to the amounts and the period shown in the Policy Schedule Part II – Weekly Injury Benefit, but not exceeding the percentage of Income shown in the Policy Schedule for that Insured Person.
20. Temporary Partial Disablement	Where an <i>Insured Person</i> suffers <i>Temporary Partial Disablement</i> as a result of a <i>Bodily Injury</i> and where that <i>Temporary Partial Disablement</i> persists, after the <i>Excess Period, We</i> will pay up to the amounts and the period shown in the <i>Policy Schedule</i> Part II - Weekly Injury Benefit, less any amount of current earnings as a result of working in a reduced capacity with the <i>Policyholder</i> , but not exceeding the percentage of <i>Income</i> shown in the <i>Policy Schedule</i> for that <i>Insured Person</i> .  Should the <i>Insured Person</i> be able to return to work with the <i>Policyholder</i> in a reduced capacity, but elect not to do so then the benefit payable will be 25% of <i>Event</i> 19 – <i>Temporary Total Disablement</i> .

# **PART III – FRACTURED BONES**

Cover for an *Event* under this Part III only applies if an amount is shown in the *Policy Schedule* Part III – Fractured Bones.

Th	<b>The Events</b> e following Event(s) must occur within 12 months of the date of the Accident.	Benefit Amounts The amounts shown below are a percentage of the amount shown under <i>Policy Schedule</i> Part III – Fractured Bones.
21.	Neck, skull or spine (Complete Fracture)	100%
22.	Hip (any fracture)	75%
23.	Jaw, pelvis, leg, ankle or knee (Complete Fracture)	50%
24.	Cheekbone, shoulder (Complete Fracture) or neck, skull or spine (Simple Fracture, Hairline Fracture or Other Fracture)	30%
25.	Arm, elbow, wrist or ribs (Complete Fracture)	25%
26.	Jaw, pelvis, leg, ankle or knee (Simple Fracture, Hairline Fracture or Other Fracture)	20%
27.	Nose or collar bone (any fracture)	20%
28.	Arm, elbow, wrist or ribs (Simple Fracture, Hairline Fracture or Other Fracture)	10%
29.	Finger, thumb, foot, hand or toe (any fracture)	7.5%

### PART IV – BODILY INJURY RESULTING IN SURGERY OUTSIDE AUSTRALIA

Cover for an *Event* under this Part IV only applies only if an amount is shown in the *Policy Schedule* Part IV — Bodily Injury Resulting in Surgery. The surgery must be undertaken outside Australia and must be carried out within twelve (12) months of the date of the *Accident*. Any payment made will be subject to proof of surgery being undertaken.

<b>The Events</b> The following Event(s) must occur within 12 months of the Accident.	Benefit Amounts  The amounts shown below are a percentage of the amount shown under <i>Policy Schedule</i> Part IV – Bodily Injury Resulting in Surgery.
30. Craniotomy	100%
31. Amputation of a <i>Limb</i>	100%
32. Fracture of a <i>Limb</i> requiring open reduction	50%
33. Dislocation of a joint requiring open reduction	25%
34. Any other surgical procedure carried out under a general anaesthetic	5%

# PART V - BODILY INJURY RESULTING IN LOSS OR DAMAGE TO TEETH

Cover for an *Event* under this Part V only applies if an amount is shown in the *Policy Schedule* Part V – Bodily Injury Resulting in Loss or Damage to Teeth.

The benefit payable under this Part shall be limited to a maximum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) for any one *Accident* causing *Bodily Injury* which results in loss or damage to *Teeth*.

<b>The Events</b> The following Event(s) must occur within 12 months of the Accident.	Benefit Amounts  The amounts shown below are a percentage of the amount shown under <i>Policy Schedule</i> Part V – Bodily Injury Resulting in Loss of Damage to Teeth.
35. Loss of <i>Teeth</i> , per <i>Tooth</i>	100%
36. Chipped or broken <i>Teeth</i> , per <i>Tooth</i>	50%

### Part VI - WEEKLY SICKNESS BENEFIT

Cover for an *Event* under this Part VI only applies if an amount is shown in the *Policy Schedule* Part VI – Weekly Sickness Benefit.

The <i>Events</i>	Benefit Amounts  The amounts shown below are a percentage of the amount shown under <i>Policy Schedule</i> Part VI – Weekly Sickness Benefit.
37. Temporary Total Disablement	Where an Insured Person suffers a Temporary Total Disablement as a result of a Sickness and where that Temporary Total Disablement persists, after the Excess Period, We will pay up to the amounts and the period shown in the Policy Schedule - Weekly Sickness Benefit, but not exceeding the percentage of Income shown in the Policy Schedule for that Insured Person.
38. Temporary Partial Disablement	Where an <i>Insured Person</i> suffers <i>Temporary Partial Disablement</i> as a result of a <i>Sickness</i> and where that <i>Temporary Partial Disablement</i> persists, after the <i>Excess Period</i> , <i>We</i> will pay up to the amounts and the period shown in the <i>Policy Schedule</i> – Weekly Sickness Benefit, less any amount of current earnings as a result of working in a reduced capacity with the <i>Policyholder</i> , but not exceeding the percentage of <i>Income</i> shown in the <i>Policy Schedule</i> for that <i>Insured Person</i> .  Should the <i>Insured Person</i> be able to return to work with the <i>Policyholder</i> in a reduced capacity, but elect not to do so then the benefit payable will be 25% of <i>Event</i> 37 – <i>Temporary Total Disablement</i> .

# PART VII – SICKNESS RESULTING IN SURGERY OUTSIDE AUSTRALIA

Cover for an *Event* under this Part VII only applies if an amount is shown in the *Policy Schedule* Part VII – Sickness Resulting in Surgery. The surgery must be undertaken outside Australia and must be carried out within twelve (12) months of the date the *Insured Person* first becomes aware of the *Sickness*. Any payment made will be subject to proof of surgery being undertaken.

The Events  The following Event(s) must occur within 12 months of the date the Insured Person first becomes aware of the Sickness	Benefit Amounts  The amounts shown below are a percentage of the amount shown under <i>Policy Schedule</i> Part VII — Sickness Resulting in Surgery.
39. Open heart surgical procedure	100%
40. Brain surgery	100%
41. Abdominal surgery carried out under general anaesthetic	50%
42. Any other surgical procedure carried out under a general anaesthetic	5%

### **Conditions**

In addition to the "General Conditions Applicable to all Sections of the Policy":

- Except as provided below, Our total liability for all claims arising under Part I Accidental Death and
  Disablement, in respect of any one Accident or series of Accidents arising out of any one occurrence
  during the Period of Insurance, shall not exceed the amount shown in the Policy Schedule Aggregate
  Limit of Liability Any One Accident or Occurrence;
- II. Our total liability for all claims arising under Part I Accidental Death and Disablement, in respect of any one Accident or series of Accidents arising out of any one occurrence during the Period of Insurance, relating to air travel on Non-Scheduled Flights, shall not exceed the amount shown in the Policy Schedule Aggregate Limit of Liability Non-Scheduled Flights;
- III. where an *Insured Person* is exposed to the elements as a result of an *Accident* and suffers from any of the *Events* stated in the Table of Events as a direct result of that exposure within twelve (12) months of the *Accident*, the *Insured Person* will be deemed for the purposes of this *Policy* to have suffered a *Bodily Injury* on the date of the *Accident*;
- IV. any benefit payable for *Events* 1 to 18 will be paid in addition to any benefit already paid for under *Events* 19 and 20 in respect of the same *Bodily Injury*;
- V. after payment of a benefit as a result of the occurrence of any of the *Events* 2 to 7(a) all cover with respect to that *Insured Person* under Personal Accident and Sickness will cease;
- VI. if as a result of *Bodily Injury*, the *Insured Person* is entitled to any benefit under *Events* 19 and/or 20 and subsequently becomes entitled to a benefit amount under the Table of Events for *Events* 2 or 3, all benefits payable for *Events* 19 and/or 20 will cease from the date of such entitlement;
- VII. where an *Insured Person* claims benefits in respect of *Events* 19 and/or 20 or *Events* 37and/or 38, the *Insured Person* agrees upon *Our* written request to:
  - a. participate and co-operate with *Us* in establishing and following a plan comprising activities and procedures for the purpose of achieving or expediting their return (either in full or in substantial part) to their usual occupation;
  - b. provide *Us* with any medical reports that are relevant to *Events* 19 and/or 20 or *Events* 37 and/or 38 or relevant to a plan to achieve or expedite their return to their usual occupation;
  - c. consent to their treating *Doctors*, their employer, *Us* or service providers that *We* nominate associating with each other or exchanging information for the purpose of achieving or expediting their return to their usual occupation; and
  - d. undertake reasonable medical investigations or attend medical examinations as requested by *Us*.
- VIII. no benefit will be payable for *Events* 19 and/or 20 or *Events* 37 and/or 38 in respect of any one *Bodily Injury* or *Sickness* at all unless the *Insured Person* shall as soon as possible after the happening of a *Bodily Injury* or *Sickness* giving rise to a claim under this Section, procure and follow proper medical advice from a *Doctor*;
- IX. the amount of the benefits payable for *Events* 19 and/ or 20 or *Events* 37 and/or 38 as set out in the *Policy Schedule* will be paid monthly in arrears. Any benefits payable for a period of less than one week will be paid at a rate of one-seventh (1/7th) of the weekly benefit for each day during which disablement continues;
- X. if a claim occurs for an *Insured Person* under *Events* 19 and/or 20 or *Events* 37 and/or 38 as a result of *Bodily Injury* or *Sickness*, and whilst during the *Period of Insurance* the *Insured Person* suffers from the same or an associated disablement, the subsequent period of disablement will be deemed a continuation of the prior period unless, between such periods, the *Insured Person* has worked on a full-time basis for at least six (6) consecutive months, in which case the subsequent period of disablement will be deemed to have resulted from a new *Bodily Injury* or *Sickness* and a new *Excess Period* will apply;

- XI. if as a result of a *Bodily Injury* or *Sickness* or disease the *Insured Person* is entitled to receive a disability income benefit under any workers' compensation legislation or transport accident legislation or any legislation having a similar effect, the benefit payable for *Events* 19 and/or 20 or *Events* 37 and/or 38 will be reduced by the amount necessary to limit the total of all such disability income benefits and the benefit under this Section to the *Insured Person's Income*;
- XII. if the benefit payable with respect to *Events* 1 to 18 is salary linked, the actual benefit payable for an *Insured Person* who is not in receipt of a salary will be limited to the lesser of the maximum sum insured stated in the *Policy Schedule* or \$250,000;
- XIII. any benefit payable for *Events* 1-18 for *Insured Persons* who have attained the age of eighty (80) and are under eighty five (85) years of age will be limited to the lesser of the sum insured stated in the *Policy Schedule* or \$250,000 unless otherwise specified;
- XIV. any benefit payable for *Events* 1-18 for *Insured Persons* who have attained the age of eighty five (85) and are under ninety (90) years of age will be limited to the lesser of the sum insured stated in the *Policy Schedule* or \$100,000 unless otherwise specified;
- XV. any benefit payable for *Event* 1, Accidental Death and *Events* 3-18 for *Insured Persons* who have attained the age of ninety (90) years will be limited to the lesser of the sum insured stated in the *Policy Schedule* or \$25,000 unless otherwise specified; and
- XVI. the benefit payable to *Insured Persons* under eighteen (18) years of age for *Event* 1 (Accidental Death) will be 10% of the sum insured shown in the *Policy Schedule* or \$50,000, whichever is less, and with respect to *Events* 2 to 18, the benefit will be limited to the lesser of the sum insured stated in the *Policy Schedule* or \$250,000 unless otherwise specified.

### **Exclusions**

In addition to the General Exclusions Applicable to all Sections of the *Policy, We* will not be liable to pay loss, cost or expense directly or indirectly caused by, arising from or attributable to:

- I. any claim for more than one of the Events 1 to 18 in respect of the same Bodily Injury;
- II. any more than one benefit for *Events* 19 and/or 20 or *Events* 37 and/or 38 that occur at the same period of time;
- III. any claim for Events 19 and/or 20 or Events 37 and/or 38 which is in any way attributable to childbirth or pregnancy with the exception of any unexpected and unforeseen medical complications or emergencies arising therefrom;
- IV. any claim for *Events* 19 and/or 20 or *Events* 37 and/ or 38 for *Insured Person*s who have attained the age of eighty (80) years unless otherwise stated in the *Policy Schedule*; or
- V. any claim for *Event 2*, *Permanent Total Disablement* for *Insured Persons* who have attained the age of ninety (90) years unless otherwise stated in the *Policy Schedule*.

# **BHSI Health and Wellbeing**

# **BHSI HEALTH**

#### **Accidental H.I.V. Infection Benefit**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Insured Person* accidentally contracts the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (H.I.V.) infection:

- I. as a direct result of *Bodily Injury* caused by a violent and physical bodily assault by another person on the *Insured Person*; or
- II. as a direct result of receiving medical treatment provided by a registered and legally qualified medical practitioner or registered nurse for an *Insured Person*'s *Bodily Injury* or *Sickness*;

We will pay the *Insured Person* up to the amount stated in the *Policy Schedule* – Accidental H.I.V. Infection Benefit, provided that:

- I. any event leading to or likely to lead to a positive diagnosis of H.I.V. is reported to *Us* and medical tests are carried out by a registered and legally qualified medical practitioner no more than forty-eight (48) hours from the date and time of the event giving rise to the potential H.I.V. infection;
- II. there is a positive diagnosis within one hundred and eighty (180) days of the event giving rise to the H.I.V. infection; and
- III. a recognised laboratory carries out medical and clinical tests that conclusively prove that the *Insured Person* was not H.I.V. positive prior to or at the time and date of the event giving rise to the H.I.V. infection.

No benefit will be payable if *You* or the *Insured Person* fail to comply with or to provide the required level of proof.

### **Bed Care Benefit**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Insured Person* suffers a *Bodily Injury* or *Sickness* and becomes a bed care patient outside Australia, *We* will pay up to the amount stated in the *Policy Schedule* – Bed Care Benefit for each completed twenty-four (24) hour period that an *Insured Person* remains a Bed Care Patient.

#### **Coma Benefit**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Insured Person* sustains a *Bodily Injury* which directly causes or results in the *Insured Person* being in a state of continuous unconsciousness and the *Insured Person* or their legal representative provide *Us* with a *Doctor's* certificate that verifies that the direct cause of the continuous unconsciousness was the *Bodily Injury, We* will pay the *Insured Person* or their legal representative the amount stated in the *Policy Schedule* – Coma Benefit.

### **Disappearance**

If the body of an *Insured Person* is not found within twelve (12) months after an *Accident* during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, *Accidental Death* will be presumed in the absence of any evidence to the contrary. The *Accidental Death* benefit amount set out under *Event* 1 shall become payable, subject to a signed undertaking by the beneficiary that if the *Insured Person* is subsequently found alive, such *Accidental Death* benefit amount will be refunded to *Us*.

### **Escalation of Claim Benefit**

Subject to renewal of this *Policy* and payment of the *Premium*, after payment of a benefit under *Events* 19, 20, 37 or 38 continuously for twelve (12) months and again after each subsequent period of twelve (12) months during which a benefit is paid, the benefit will be increased by a compound rate of five percent (5%) per annum.

### **Modification Benefit**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Insured Person* sustains a *Bodily Injury* for which a benefit is paid under *Events* 2 or 3, *We* will pay up to the amount shown in the *Policy Schedule* – Modification Benefit, for costs necessarily incurred to modify the *Insured Person's* home and/or motor vehicle, or costs associated with relocating the *Insured Person* to a more suitable home, provided that medical evidence is presented from a *Doctor* certifying the modification and/or relocation is necessary.

### **Premature Birth/Miscarriage Benefit**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Insured Person* sustains a *Bodily Injury* which results in premature childbirth (prior to twenty-six (26) weeks gestation) or miscarriage, *We* will pay the *Insured Person* the lump sum benefit amount shown in the *Policy Schedule* – Premature Birth/ Miscarriage Benefit.

### **Rehabilitation Benefit**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Insured Person* sustains a *Bodily Injury* for which a benefit is paid under *Events* 2, 19 or 20, *We* will pay up to the amount shown in the *Policy Schedule* – Rehabilitation Benefit for costs necessarily incurred for tuition or advice for the *Insured Person* from a licensed vocational school, provided such tuition or advice is undertaken with *Our* prior written agreement and that medical evidence is presented from a *Doctor* certifying the tuition or advice is necessary.

#### **Terrorism Benefit**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Insured Person* is an eye witness to an *Act of Terrorism*, *We* will pay the *Insured Person* or *Policyholder* up to the amount specified in the *Policy Schedule* – Terrorism Benefit.

### **Trauma Benefit**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Insured Person* is an eye witness to or victim of a criminal act such as murder, rape, sexual assault, violent robbery or a kidnapping, *We* will pay the *Insured Person* or *You* up to the amount specified in the *Policy Schedule* – Trauma Benefit

# **Visitors Benefit**

If a third party visits the *Policyholder's* premises during the *Period of Insurance* in a business capacity and sustains a *Bodily Injury* which, had the visitor been an *Insured Person*, would have resulted in a benefit being paid under *Events* 1 or 2, we will pay the *Policyholder* the amount shown in the *Policy Schedule* - Visitors Benefit.

### **Work Experience Benefit**

If a person is undertaking authorised work experience with the *Policyholder* and, whilst performing occupational duties on behalf of the *Policyholder* sustains a *Bodily Injury* which, had the person been an *Insured Person*, would have resulted in a benefit being paid under *Events* 1 to 9, *We* will pay the *Policyholder* the amount shown in the *Policy Schedule* – Work Experience Benefit.

### **Workplace Assault Benefit**

If an *Insured Person* sustains a *Bodily Injury* as a result of an unprovoked assault at their usual place of employment or whilst in the course of their duties on behalf of the *Policyholder, We* will pay the *Insured Person* the amount shown in the *Policy Schedule* – Workplace Assault Benefit.

# **BHSI WELLBEING**

# **Accommodation and Transport Expenses**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Insured Person* sustains a *Bodily Injury* and is admitted as an in-patient of a hospital, which is more than one hundred (100) kilometres from the *Insured Person*'s normal place of residence, *We* will pay the actual and reasonable transport and/ or accommodation expenses incurred by their *Spouse or Partner* and/or *Dependent Child(ren)* to travel to or remain with the *Insured Person* up to the amount shown in the *Policy Schedule* – Accommodation and Transport Expenses.

## **Advanced Payment**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Insured Person* sustains a *Bodily Injury* or *Sickness* for which benefits are payable under *Events* 19 or 37, provided that medical evidence is presented from a *Doctor* certifying that the total period of *Temporary Total Disablement* will be a minimum of twenty-six (26) continuous weeks, *We* will pay at the time of first payment eighteen (18) weeks benefit.

#### **Chauffeur Benefit**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Insured Person* sustains a *Bodily Injury* or *Sickness* for which a benefit is paid under *Events* 19 or 37, provided that medical evidence is presented from a *Doctor* certifying that the *Insured Person* is unable to operate a motor vehicle or travel on other available modes of public transport, *We* will pay up to the amount shown in the *Policy Schedule – Chauffeur Benefit*, for reasonable costs incurred for the hire of a suitable chauffeured vehicle or taxi to transport the *Insured Person* directly to and from their normal place of residence and normal place of work.

#### **Childcare Benefit**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Insured Person* sustains a *Bodily Injury* for which a benefit is paid under *Events* 2 to 7(a), *We* will pay the *Insured Person* the actual and reasonable expenses necessarily incurred for the services of a registered childcare provider up to the amount shown in the *Policy Schedule* – Childcare benefit, but only in respect of additional costs that would not otherwise have been incurred.

### **Corporate Image Protection**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Insured Person* sustains a *Bodily Injury* which results in *Accidental Death* or *Permanent Total Disablement*, *We* will pay the *Policyholder* the actual and reasonable expenses necessarily incurred for the services of a public relations firm for the purpose of protecting the *Policyholder's* corporate image, up to the amount shown in the *Policy Schedule* – Corporate Image Protection.

### **Dependent Child Support**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Insured Person* suffers a *Bodily Injury* which results in *Accidental Death, We* will pay to the *Insured Person's Spouse or Partner* or legal representative of the *Insured Person's* estate, the amount shown in the *Policy Schedule* – Dependent Child Support, for each *Dependent Child* of the *Insured Person* subject to the maximum benefit amount stated per family.

### **Domestic Help Benefit**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Spouse or Partner* of the *Insured Person* is a non *Income* earner, and sustains a *Bodily Injury* for which a benefit would be payable under *Events* 19 and/or 20 and a *Doctor* certifies that they are unable to carry out domestic duties, *We* will pay the actual and reasonable costs incurred for hiring domestic help up to the amount shown in the *Policy Schedule* – Domestic Help Benefit, provided that the domestic help is not carried out by the *Insured Person* or their *Relatives*, nor a person permanently residing with the *Insured Person*.

# **Education Fund Benefit**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Insured Person* suffers an *Accidental Death, We* will pay for fees incurred on behalf of each surviving *Dependent Child*, up to the amount shown in the *Policy Schedule* – Education Fund Benefit, to that *Dependent Child*'s school, TAFE or university.

### **Executor Emergency Cash Advance Benefit**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Insured Person* suffers an *Accidental Death*, upon the executor of the estate's request, *We* will advance to the executor of the *Insured Person's* estate the amount shown in the *Policy Schedule* – Executor Emergency Cash Advance Benefit, whilst the administration of the *Insured Person's* estate is being arranged.

# **Funeral Expenses Benefit**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Insured Person* suffers an *Accidental Death*, *We* will reimburse the reasonable expenses incurred up to the amount stated in the *Policy Schedule* - Funeral Expenses Benefit for the *Insured Person's* funeral, burial or cremation or the cost of returning the *Insured Person's* body or ashes to a place nominated by the *Insured Person's Spouse or Partner* or the legal representative of the *Insured Person's* estate.

### **Independent Financial Advice Benefit**

Following payment of a benefit amount under *Events* 1 to 8, *We* will reimburse the *Insured Person's Spouse* or *Partner* or estate up to the maximum amount shown in the *Policy Schedule* – Independent Financial Advice Benefit, for professional financial planning advice provided by a qualified financial planner within twelve (12) months after the date of the event.

# **Orphan Benefit**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Insured Person* and their *Spouse or Partner* suffer an *Accidental Death* as a result of the same *Accident, We* will pay to the *Insured Persons'* estate or the guardian of the *Dependent Children* a lump sum benefit for each surviving *Dependent Child* subject to a maximum benefit amount per family as shown in the *Policy Schedule* – Orphan Benefit.

# **Out of Pocket Expenses Benefit**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Insured Person* sustains a *Bodily Injury* which directly results in otherwise unforeseeable expenses for clothing, medical aids (not including electronic devices) and local transportation for the purpose of seeking medical treatment, *We* will pay the actual and reasonable costs incurred up to the maximum amount shown in the *Policy Schedule* – Out of Pocket Expenses, provided that those costs are not insured elsewhere under this *Policy*, or *We* are otherwise prohibited by law from making such payments (for example if a Medicare benefit is payable).

### **Replacement Staff/Recruitment Costs**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Insured Person* sustains a *Bodily Injury* and in *Our* judgement *We* believe that a benefit will be paid under *Events* 1 or 2, *We* will pay the actual and reasonable costs incurred by the *Policyholder* for the recruitment of replacement *Employees*, up to the amount shown in the *Policy Schedule* – Replacement Staff/ Recruitment Costs, provided that the costs are incurred within sixty (60) days and are crucial and necessary for the *Policyholder*'s business to continue. The *Policyholder* must first provide a signed undertaking that any amount paid to the *Policyholder* will be repaid to *Us* if it is found that a valid claim did not or will not eventuate.

# **Spouse or Partner Employment Training Benefit**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Insured Person* sustains a *Bodily Injury* which results in an *Accidental Death* or *Permanent Total Disablement*, *We* will reimburse an *Insured Person's Spouse or Partner* up to the benefit amount shown in the *Policy Schedule* – Spouse or Partner Employment Training Benefit for the actual costs incurred for training or retraining the *Insured Person's Spouse or Partner*:

- I. for the sole purpose of obtaining gainful employment;
- II. to improve their potential for employment; and/or
- III. to enable them to improve the quality of care they can provide to the *Insured Person*;

### Provided that:

- I. the *Spouse or Partner* has not attained the age of seventy (70) years of age at the commencement of the training; and
- II. the training is provided by a recognised institution with qualified skills to provide such training.

This benefit is payable in addition to any other applicable benefit amount payable under this *Policy* and only applies if the *Spouse or Partner* incurs Employment Training Expenses within twenty-four (24) months following the date of the *Insured Person's Bodily Injury* resulting in an *Accidental Death* or *Permanent Total Disablement*.

# **Student Tutorial Benefit**

If an *Insured Person* is a registered full time student and, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Insured Person* sustains a *Bodily Injury*, and a *Doctor* certifies that the *Insured Person* is unable to attend classes as a result of the *Bodily Injury*, *We* will pay the actual costs incurred for home tutorial services to the maximum amount shown in the *Policy Schedule* – Student Tutorial Benefit, provided that the tutorial service is not carried out by the *Insured Person's Relatives* nor a person permanently residing with the *Insured Person*.

### **Unexpired Membership Benefit**

If, during the *Period of Insurance* and an *Insured Person's Effective Period of Cover*, the *Insured Person suffers* a *Bodily Injury* which results in a benefit being paid under:

- I. Events 2 to 8; or
- II. Events 19 and/or 20 for which a Doctor certifies in writing will continue for a minimum period of twenty-six (26) weeks;

and it is certified by a *Doctor* as preventing the *Insured Person* from continuing their participation in any sport or gym activity for which they have pre-paid a membership, association or registration fee, *We* will pay the *Insured Person* a pro-rata refund of such fees paid for the current season or membership period, up to an aggregate amount as shown in the *Policy Schedule*.

# General Conditions Applicable to all Sections of the Policy

### **Alteration of Risk**

You must tell Us as soon as possible if circumstances occur, or if changes or alterations are intended or made which increase the risk of damage, injury, liability, loss or Sickness. If We agree to the change We will do so in writing and the Policyholder must pay Us any additional Premium We may require.

### **Assignment**

You must not assign the *Policy*, or any rights under the *Policy*, without *Our* prior written consent by way of endorsement to the *Policy*.

### **Cancellation**

The *Policyholder* may cancel this *Policy* at any time by notifying *Us* in writing. The cancellation will take effect from 4:00pm on the day *We* receive the *Policyholder*'s written notice of cancellation or such time as may be otherwise agreed.

We may cancel the *Policy* or any Section thereof, for any of the reasons set out in Section 60 of the Insurance Contracts Act 1984 (Cth) by issuing a notice in writing in accordance with Section 59 of the Insurance Contracts Act 1984 (Cth).

If the *Policy* is cancelled by either the *Policyholder* or *Us, We* will refund the *Premium* for the *Policy* less a pro-rata proportion of the *Premium* to cover the period for which insurance applied less any government fees, taxes and duties *We* cannot recover. However *We* will not refund any *Premium* if *We* have paid a claim or benefit to *You* or an *Insured Person* under the *Policy*.

### **Currency**

All amounts shown are in Australian dollars. If expenses are incurred in a foreign currency, then the rate of currency exchange used to calculate the amount to be paid will be the rate of exchange published in the Australian Financial Review on the date the expense is incurred or loss is sustained. All claims will be paid in Australian dollars.

# **Entire Contract/Alteration**

This *Policy* will not be modified except by written amendment or endorsement attached hereto and signed by *Our* Authorised Representative.

#### **Medical Examination or Post Mortem**

At *Our* expense, *We* will be entitled to have any *Insured Person* medically examined or in the event of death, a post mortem examination carried out. *We* will give the *Insured Person* or their legal representative fair and reasonable notice of the medical examination or post mortem.

#### **Other Insurance**

In the event of a claim, the *Policyholder* and/or *Insured Person* must advise *Us* as to any other insurance policies that may be available to pay or partially pay that claim.

### **Reasonable Precautions**

The *Policyholder* and/or *Insured Person* must take all reasonable care to prevent or minimise damage, injury, liability, loss, *Accident* or *Sickness*, including complying with any law, by-law, ordinance or regulation that concerns the safety of persons or property.

# **Governing Law and Jurisdiction**

The *Policy* is governed by the laws of Australia. Any dispute relating to the *Policy* shall be submitted to the exclusive jurisdiction of an Australian Court within the State or Territory in which the *Policy* was issued.

### **Providing Proof of Loss**

The *Insured Person* must keep documents they will need in case of a claim. These proofs may include, but not be limited to, substantiation of the *Insured Person*'s earnings, receipts, statements or medical certificates relating to a claim, injury reports, claim forms and any other relevant documentation which comes into *Your* or an *Insured Person*'s possession.

# **Subrogation**

If We make any payment under this Policy, then to the extent of that payment, We may exercise any rights of recovery held by the Policyholder or the Insured Person. The Policyholder and the Insured Person must not do anything which reduces any such rights and must provide reasonable assistance to Us in pursuing any such rights. To the extent permitted by law We may reduce Our liability for Your claim where You have agreed to exclude or limit Your rights to recover damages from another person in respect of a loss You suffer. We will have full discretion in the conduct, settlement or defence of any claim in the Policyholder or the Insured Person's name.

The amount recovered will be applied first to reducing the amount by which the *Policyholder's* or the *Insured Person's* loss exceeds the payment made by *Us*. Any balance remaining after the *Policyholder* or the *Insured Person* has been fully compensated for the loss, up to the amount *We* have paid to settle the claim (including *Our* legal fees for recovery), will be retained by *Us*.

In relation to any claim under the *Policy*, the *Policyholder* and/or the *Insured Person* must not admit fault and must not offer or promise to pay any money or become involved in litigation without *Our* approval.

# General Exclusions Applicable to all Sections of the Policy

We will not pay benefits, loss, costs or expense under any Section of the *Policy* directly or indirectly caused by, arising from or attributable to:

- I. radioactivity, or the use, existence or escape of any nuclear fuel, nuclear material or nuclear waste;
- II. cosmetic, elective or plastic surgery, (except and to the extent that it is necessary for the cure or alleviation of *Bodily Injury* to, or *Sickness* suffered by, the *Insured Person*);
- III. sexually transmitted or transmissible disease or any infection or virus derived from a sexually transmitted or transmissible disease except to the extent provided under BHSI Health and Wellbeing Accidental H.I.V. Infection Benefit:
- IV. treatment or services covered by:
  - a. Medicare;
  - b. any workers' compensation legislation;
  - c. any transport accident legislation;
  - d. any government sponsored fund, plan or medical benefit scheme; or
  - e. any other insurance policy required to be effected by or under law;
- V. professional or medical services rendered in Australia for which Medicare benefits are or would be payable in accordance with the Health Insurance Act 1973 (Cth), National Health Act 1953 (Cth) or the Private Health Insurance Act 2007 (Cth) or any succeeding legislation to those Acts, or other claims which would result in *Us* contravening those Acts;
- VI. professional or medical services rendered in any jurisdiction where *We* are prohibited by law from paying those expenses in that jurisdiction;
- VII. any claim where the *Policyholder* or the *Insured Person*, or any of *Your* or the *Insured Person's* representatives refused to follow *Our* instructions and directions;
- VIII. an *Insured Person* engaging in or taking part in:
  - a. training for or participating in Professional Sport of any kind; or
  - b. flying in an aircraft or aerial device other than as a passenger in any aircraft licensed to carry passengers;
- IX. intentional self-inflicted *Bodily Injury*, suicide or any illegal or criminal act committed by the *Policyholder* or an *Insured Person*;
- X. any claim that would result in *Us* contravening any workers compensation legislation and or transport accident legislation;
- XI. any claim to the extent that trade or economic sanctions or other laws or regulations prohibit the Insurer, its parent company or its ultimate controlling entity from providing the insurance including, but not limited to, any sanctions administered and enforced by the United States Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control ("OFAC") or any sanction, prohibition or restriction under United Nations resolutions or the trade or economic sanctions, laws or regulations of Australia, the European Union, United Kingdom or United States of America;
- XII. any loss under any section of the *Policy* as a direct or indirect result of *Pre-Existing Condition(s)* of an *Insured Person*;
- XIII. or amounts recoverable by the *Policyholder* and/or the *Insured Person* from any other source (with the exception of other insurance).



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