

Your Policy Wording Please keep this safe



# CONTENTS

- 3 THE RANGE OF OUR LEGAL SERVICES
- 4 GETTING THE HELP YOU NEED
- 5 LEGAL TERMS EXPLAINED WORDS WITH SPECIAL MEANINGS
- 7 THE COVER
- 13 GENERAL EXCLUSIONS
- 14 CONDITIONS
- 14 CLAIMS SETTLEMENT CONDITIONS
- 17 OUR COMMITMENT TO CUSTOMER SERVICE
- 19 HOW WE USE YOUR INFORMATION

ONCE REGISTERED, MAKE A NOTE OF YOUR USERNAME AND PASSWORD HERE



# 24 HOUR LEGAL HELP AT YOUR FINGERTIPS

Welcome to MORE TH>N Legal Services, an extra part of your home insurance. Now if you and your family don't know where you stand on any legal matter, you can call immediately for confidential advice from professionals with years of experience in law.

# A COMPREHENSIVE LEGAL PACKAGE FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

Now you don't have to worry about the cost, time and complication of being involved in any legal issues.

As part of your home insurance, you should have up to £50,000 of cover for legal expenses and access to a user-friendly range of services to help solve problems and put your mind at ease.

MORE TH>N is not just about insurance for legal problems. Do you have a legal question? Phone us for free, we are open 7 days a week 24 hours a day and we'll do our best to answer it. Need to write a Will, Lasting Powers of Attorney, or complain about faulty goods? Use our simple online document service to create quality legal documents tailored to your circumstances. With a range of over 150 services to choose from, we are here to save you time and money.

The legal advice line can help you with almost anything, including:

- > PROPERTY DISPUTES
- > ACCIDENTS AND PERSONAL INJURY
- > DISPUTES WITH A NEIGHBOUR
- > EMPLOYMENT LAW
- > CONSUMER RIGHTS

These are just a few of the issues that MORE TH>N Legal Services online document preparation service can help you with:

- > WILLS
- > IDENTITY THEFT

- > LASTING POWERS OF ATTORNEY
- > PRE-NUPTIAL AGREEMENTS

> TENANCY AGREEMENTS

> COHABITATION AGREEMENTS

### START USING MORE TH>N LEGAL SERVICES

To register as a first-time user, simply follow these easy steps:

- 1. Go to morethan.com/legalservices
- 2. Enter your policy number, email address and choose a password
- 3. Review then accept the terms of use and select 'Register'

You can immediately learn about your legal rights and access our online document service to quickly prepare professional legal documentation including Wills, Lasting Powers of Attorney and identity theft. In fact, you can choose from over 150 online documents each designed to deal with your specific need.

# THREE WAYS TO GET THE LEGAL HELP YOU NEED

You never quite know when you or your family might need legal help.

But with MORE TH>N Legal Services there's no need to spend time worrying unnecessarily. With our three specific services, it's easy to find the legal advice and help you need to reach a solution.

### **1. LEGAL EXPENSES COVER**

MORE TH>N Legal Services provides you, and members of your family living with you, with legal expenses cover of up to £50,000 for:

> PERSONAL INJURY	> CONSUMER PROTECTION
> RESIDENTIAL MATTERS	> EMPLOYMENT CONCERNS

> TAX RELATED ISSUES

### 2. ROUND THE CLOCK LEGAL ADVICE LINE

0800 300 688. Lines open all day, every day.

Whenever you have a legal concern, simply call our advice line and speak to a lawyer.

In many cases, the experts may be able to clear things up quickly. Or, if you do need to make a claim, they will guide you through the steps you need to take.

Whatever action they advise, MORE TH>N Legal Services will always be working with you, and will keep you up to date with progress until the situation is resolved.

### **3. ONLINE LEGAL DOCUMENTS**

#### morethan.com/legalservices

Here you have free access to the 150 legally binding documents and letters covering everything from making a Will to contesting a parking ticket.

All our legal documents are interactive and will ask you a series of easy to answer questions. As you answer each question the document prepares itself taking into account your individual situation. Once you have finished answering all the questions, you can select to send the document for legal review by secure email link. The legal team will check and approve the document ensuring it is legally correct for you before returning the document ready for you to print.

All this is yours for no additional cost and you can use it as many times as you like. So why not give it a go now?

# WORDS WITH SPECIAL MEANINGS

This part of the policy sets out the words which have special meanings. Each word is listed with the meaning explained, and is printed in **bold** type wherever it appears in this policy.

WORD(S)	MEANING(S)
Any one claim	All legal proceedings, including appeals, arising from or relating to the same original cause or event.
Arbitration	A meeting held in private to settle a dispute about the policy. This is less formal than a court hearing.
Court	A court or other appropriate authority.
Disbursements	Money that your solicitor has spent on your behalf in dealing with your case. These amounts are different from your solicitor's own fees and will be shown as a separate item on your solicitor's bill.
Document Service	Epoq Legal Ltd which provides the online document service Registered Address: Epoq Legal Ltd Middlesex House 29-45 High Street Edgware Middlesex HA8 7UU
Expert Witness	A person who has a special skill or technical or professional knowledge (for example, a doctor or a surveyor) and whose opinion can be given as evidence in court.
Full enquiry	Action taken by HM Revenue & Customs following a Notice issued under Section 9A of the Taxes Management Act 1970 saying they plan to carry out a 'Special Compliance Office Investigation' or a 'Local Tax Office Enquiry' which involves examining and considering all areas of your tax affairs in detail.
Goods	Items you own or for which you are legally responsible, except motorised vehicles or parts of them, land, buildings or items used for business purposes.
Insurance Period	The period shown on <b>your</b> schedule and any further period for which <b>you</b> have paid or have agreed to pay and <b>we</b> have accepted or have agreed to accept <b>your</b> premium.
Insurer	Royal & Sun Alliance Insurance Ltd.

WORD(S)	MEANING(S)
Legal expenses	Your representative's fees, costs and disbursements which we have agreed or the costs of any other people involved in the legal proceedings if you have to pay those costs. This includes costs following an 'out-of-court' settlement to which we have agreed. This does not include any damages, fines or penalties you have to pay.
Legal proceedings	Legal action in a civil court to protect your rights in a dispute.
Partner	A person you have a continuous relationship with and who lives with you at the insured property.
Representative	The solicitor or other suitably qualified person appointed to act for you.
Territorial limits	Great Britain and Northern Ireland, all other countries in the European Union, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands, Andorra, Egypt, Gibraltar, Iceland, Israel, Liechtenstein, Monaco, Morocco, Norway, San Marino, Switzerland, Tunisia, Turkey, Vatican City and islands in the Mediterranean.
We, us, our	Arc Legal Group, a trading style of Arc Legal Assistance Ltd, a third party provider approved by Royal & Sun Alliance Insurance Ltd, which handles claims on behalf of the <b>insurer</b> . <b>You</b> can contact Arc Legal Group at: T: 0800 300 688 E: claims@arclegal.co.uk
You, your	The person named as policy holder on <b>your</b> schedule, <b>your</b> husband, wife, <b>partner</b> , children, parents and relatives who all normally live with <b>you</b> at the insured property.

## > PERSONAL INJURY

# THE COVER

WHAT IS COVERED	WHAT IS NOT COVERED
If MORE TH>N Legal Services is shown on your schedule, we provide the following cover for legal expenses up to the sum insured shown on your schedule in total for any one claim. The cause of the action must happen within the territorial limits and during the insurance period. The legal proceedings must be taken or defended in the territorial limits. You must have told us about the claim within six months of the cause of action arising. We must have given our agreement to support your claim.	Anything that is excluded on pages 13/14 of this booklet.

WHAT IS COVERED	WHAT IS NOT COVERED
A. PERSONAL INJURY The cost of <b>you</b> taking <b>legal proceedings</b> against another person or organisation as a result of an event which causes <b>your</b> death, or bodily injury.	<ul> <li>Defending civil legal proceedings that are connected with: <ul> <li>death, disease or illness of or bodily injury to anyone;</li> <li>or</li> <li>loss or destruction of, or damage to, any property (this includes property which cannot be used because of the loss, destruction or damage).</li> </ul> </li> <li>Any claim to do with your use of a motor vehicle, its parts or accessories (except a claim against another person or organisation for your death or bodily injury which happened while you were a passenger in a motor vehicle).</li> <li>Any claim where the amount in dispute is less than £250.</li> </ul>

## > CONSUMER PROTECTION

## THE COVER (CONTINUED)

#### WHAT IS COVERED WHAT IS NOT COVERED B. CONSUMER PROTECTION 1. The cost of you taking legal proceedings Anything that is excluded on pages 13/14 of against another person or organisation as this booklet. a result of: Any dispute over a contract that arises a. a dispute over a contract for buying, less than 90 days after the insurance first selling or renting goods or services; started, unless the dispute is to do with a b. a person or organisation breaking the contract which started after you took out the requirements of section 169 or 170 of the insurance. Data Protection Act 2018; and where Any matter connected with a moneybreaking those requirements loses you making activity. money. Anything to do with building, converting, 2. The cost of defending a legal action extending, altering, renovating or brought against you as a result of a demolishing your home (this does not apply dispute over a contract for buying, selling to common home improvements such or renting goods or services. as installing double-glazing or replacing kitchens or bathrooms). Any dispute connected with letting, subletting or allowing another person to live in your home. • Anything to do with a motor vehicle, its parts or accessories. • Any claim where the amount in dispute is less than £250. • Any matter connected with any freehold or leasehold property which you own and is not your permanent residence.

# > RESIDENTIAL

# THE COVER (CONTINUED)

#### WHAT IS COVERED WHAT IS NOT COVERED C. RESIDENTIAL The cost of you taking legal proceedings Anything that is excluded on pages 13/14 of 1. this booklet. against another person or organisation as • An event that happens less than 90 days a result of: a. a person or organisation interfering with after the insurance first started. your legal rights relating to your home • Any legal proceedings over loss or damage (you must be legally entitled to live in covered under a more specific insurance the home): policy. b. a dispute over a contract in your name • Anything to do with building, converting, to buy or sell your home or former extending, altering, renovating or home or to rent your home as a tenant; demolishing your home (this does not apply to common home improvements such as or c. an event which causes loss of or installing double-glazing, replacement damage to your home. kitchens or bathrooms). 2. The cost of defending legal action brought Any dispute about letting, subletting or against you as a result of: allowing another person to live in your a. you allegedly interfering with another home. • Legal proceedings between you and person's legal rights in connection with you owning or living in your home (you a government department or a local must be legally entitled to live in the authority, unless you could lose money home). if your case is not successful. · Any matter connected with a moneyb. a dispute over a contract in your name to buy or sell your home or former making activity. home or to rent your home as a tenant. • Any event which occurs outside the United Kingdom, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands. Any matter connected with any freehold or leasehold property which you own and is not your permanent residence.

### > EMPLOYMENT

# THE COVER (CONTINUED)

WHAT IS COVERED	WHAT IS NOT COVERED
<ul> <li>D. EMPLOYMENT</li> <li>1. The cost of you taking legal proceedings against your employer over your contract of employment. As soon as you knew of the dispute, you must have taken and followed legal advice from us.</li> <li>2. The cost of defending legal action brought against you in the territorial limits as a result of prosecution which results from your normal duties as an employee. This includes civil proceedings under the Equality Act 2010 and the Data Protection Act 2018 or any Acts which replace or change these.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Anything that is excluded on pages 13/14 of this booklet.</li> <li>A dispute with your employer or legal action brought against you less than 90 days after the insurance first started.</li> <li>Any matter connected with a moneymaking activity other than a dispute with your employer over your contract of employment.</li> <li>Defending any motoring prosecutions.</li> <li>Defending civil legal proceedings that are connected with your duties as a member of a profession or your duties as a director or officer of any company.</li> </ul>

# THE COVER (CONTINUED)

#### WHAT IS COVERED

#### E. TAX

The cost of **your representative** acting for **you** in a **full enquiry** by HM Revenue & Customs into **your** income and records to decide how much tax **you** have to pay under the following sections of the Taxes Act 1988.

- 1. Section 19, Schedule E of the Taxes Act 1988 on:
  - your wages or salary; and
  - your pension.
- 2. Section 18, Schedule D of the Taxes Act 1988 where it relates to income **you** have received on:

– investments in the UK; and

- investments overseas in securities listed on a recognised national or international stock exchange. This cannot be **your** main source of income.

#### WHAT IS NOT COVERED

- Anything that is excluded on pages 13/14 of this policy.
- Any tax, interest or penalties **you** may have to pay to HM Revenue & Customs.
- Any case where **you** or **your** tax advisor have not taken every reasonable care to act according to tax legislation.
- Anything to do with a tax return which **you** sent to HM Revenue & Customs and which arrived after the legal deadline.
- An enquiry by HM Revenue & Customs which is only concerned with one or more specific areas of **your** tax return and which is not considered by HM Revenue & Customs to be a **full enquiry**.
- Any change in an HM Revenue & Customs investigation or enquiry when it becomes clear that they suspect serious fraud.
- Any income **you** have earned as a self-employed person.
- Any matter connected with a moneymaking activity (other than your contract of employment or a normal private investment) or personal liability including:
  - your business, trade or profession;
  - a personal venture for gain;
  - a share in a partnership or a joint venture for gain;
  - an investment which is not listed on a recognised national or international stock exchange; or
  - a personal guarantee or indemnity.
- Any money which the **insurer** has already paid if **you** later withdraw, without **our** agreement, from the defence of a **full enquiry** by HM Revenue & Customs.
- Any money which has to be paid because you withdraw without our agreement from the defence of a full enquiry by HM Revenue & Customs.
- Any matter connected with any freehold or leasehold property which **you** own and is not **your** permanent residence.

### > REVERSE LIABILITY

## THE COVER (CONTINUED)

#### WHAT IS COVERED

#### F. REVERSE LIABILITY

If your policy includes Reverse Liability cover under the Legal Expenses section, the following wording will apply: The company will pay any sum, including interest, awarded to you in a court of law in the United Kingdom, Isle of Man or the Channel Islands, and which has not been paid to you or your representative within three months of the date of the judgement. The sum will be paid provided that cover under your Contents policy headed either "The insured is indemnified against liability at law" or "Third Party Liability" would have covered the award if you had to pay it to another person.

#### **Claims settlement**

The maximum amount payable in respect of any one incident is  $\pounds1,000,000$ .

#### WHAT IS NOT COVERED

- A sum awarded to **you** if the judgement of the **court** is subject to an appeal.
- Any **court** award arising from a claim which was not notified to **us** before **you** began **legal proceedings**.
- Any claim where **you** unreasonably refuse to join any person whom **we** specify as a defendant in **legal proceedings**.
- Any event, dispute or cause of action that first happened or started before this insurance was taken out.

# **GENERAL EXCLUSIONS**

- 1. Any claim where there is not a reasonable chance of **you** winning the case and achieving a reasonable outcome.
- 2. Any event, dispute or cause of action that first happened or started before **you** took out this insurance.
- 3. An event which you report to us more than six months after it happened.
- 4. Legal expenses which apply to the period before we have agreed in writing to support your claim.
- 5. Legal proceedings where a reasonable estimate of your total legal expenses is greater than the amount in dispute.
- 6. Any legal expenses you could claim under any other insurance.
- 7. Any legal proceedings over loss or damage covered under a specific insurance policy.
- 8. A dispute about either the amount an insurance company should pay to settle an insurance claim or the way a claim should be settled.
- 9. Defending civil legal proceedings that are connected with:
  - death, disease or illness of or bodily injury to anyone;
  - your duties as a member of a profession or your duties as a director or officer of any company;
  - the loss of, destruction of or damage to any property. (This includes property which cannot be used because of the loss, destruction or damage).
- 10. Any **legal proceedings** between any members of **your** family. (This does not apply to accidents involving motor vehicles).
- 11. Any **legal proceedings** between **you** and **your** husband, wife or **partner** or former husband, wife or **partner**. This includes **legal proceedings** relating to custody, access or maintenance.
- 12. Defending any criminal proceedings or **legal proceedings** arising from anything **you** did deliberately or recklessly.
- 13. Any dispute with us or the insurer that is not dealt with under the arbitration condition below.
- 14. Any direct or indirect liability, loss or damage caused:
  - to equipment because it fails correctly to recognise data representing a date in a way that it does not work properly or at all; or
  - by computer viruses.

This does not apply to **legal expenses** connected with claiming compensation following **your** death or bodily injury.

- 15. Any claim or expense of any kind caused directly or indirectly by:
  - ionising radiation or radioactive contamination from any nuclear fuel or waste which results from the burning of nuclear fuel; or
  - the radioactive, toxic, explosive or other dangerous properties of nuclear machinery or any part of it.
- 16. Any loss or damage caused by any sort of war, invasion or revolution.
- 17. Any loss or damage by pressure waves caused by aircraft or other flying objects moving at or above the speed of sound.
- 18. Terrorism

Any loss, damage, liability, cost or expense of any kind directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from or in connection with any act of terrorism.

For the purpose of this exclusion, "terrorism" means the use, or threat of use, of biological, chemical and/or nuclear force or contamination by any person(s), whether acting alone or on behalf of or in connection with any organisation(s) or government(s) committed for political, religious, ideological or similar purposes including the intention to influence any government(s) or put any section of the public in fear.

# CONDITIONS

You must comply with the policy conditions set out in **your** Home Insurance policy booklet as part of this **legal expenses** contract. **You** must also keep to the conditions on this page and the following pages.

1. Preventing legal proceedings

You must take all reasonable measures to prevent or avoid being involved in **legal proceedings** and keep the cost as low as possible. The Legal Advice line is available 24 hours a day 7 days a week, to provide **you** with free and confidential advice.

2. Arbitration

If there is a dispute between **you** and **us** or the **insurer** about this section of the policy, it can be taken to an independent arbitrator. The arbitrator will be a solicitor or barrister **you** and **we** agree to. If **we** cannot agree with **you** on an arbitrator, the President of the Law Society (or similar organisation within the appropriate **territorial limits**) will choose an arbitrator.

The side that loses the **arbitration** will pay all the costs of the **arbitration**. If the decision is not totally in favour of one side, the arbitrator will decide who pays the costs. If **you** lose, the policy will not cover these costs.

You can still use the complaints procedure shown on page 18.

# **FINANCIAL SANCTIONS**

We shall not provide any cover or be liable to provide any indemnity, payment or other benefit under this **policy** to the extent that the provision of such cover, indemnity, payment or other benefit would expose **us** to any sanction, prohibition or restriction under United Nations resolutions or the trade or economic sanctions, laws or regulations of the European Union, United Kingdom, United States or other country of policy issue.

If any such resolution, sanction, law or regulation takes effect during the **insurance period we** may cancel this **policy** immediately by giving **you** written notice at **your** last known address.

# CLAIMS SETTLEMENT CONDITIONS

These conditions apply when **you** make a **legal expenses** claim. **You** must keep to these conditions as **your** part of the **legal expenses** contract.

1. Telling us about the claim

If anything happens which might lead to a **legal expenses** claim, **you** must tell **us** as soon as possible by filling in a claim form that can be obtained from Arc Legal Group, PO BOX 8921, Colchester, CO4 5YD. **You** must tell **us** fully and truthfully in writing all the details about **your** claim and give **us** all the information that **we** may need. Until **you** have told **us** about the claim and **we** have given **our** written agreement, the **insurer** will not be responsible for any **legal expenses**. The **insurer** will not cover **legal expenses** involved in **your** representatives handling the claim before the date when **we** gave **our** written agreement. **You** must have told **us** about the claim within six months of the cause of action arising.

# CLAIMS SETTLEMENT CONDITIONS (CONTINUED)

# Giving our agreement We will agree if all of the following apply:

- We think you have a reasonable chance of winning your case and achieving a reasonable outcome.
- The **legal proceedings** arise from a cause of action which is covered by this insurance. This cause of action must happen within the **territorial limits** and during the **insurance period**.
- The legal proceedings will be dealt with by a court within the territorial limits.
- You have kept to the terms and conditions of the policy and none of the exclusions listed on page 13/14 of this booklet apply.

In circumstances where **we** have chosen a **representative** to act on **your** behalf **we** will pay **legal expenses** incurred for providing the initial assessment of the claim irrespective of the prospects of success or whether the claim is covered under this policy.

Where **you** have chosen **your** own **representative** any **legal expenses** incurred in providing initial assessment shall only be covered where there are reasonable prospects of successfully pursuing or defending the **legal proceedings** and the claim is covered under all other terms and conditions of the policy.

The decision to grant consent will take into account the advice of **your representative** as well as that of **our** own advisers. **We** may require, at **your** expense, an opinion of Counsel on the merits of the **legal proceedings**. If the claim is subsequently admitted **your** costs in obtaining such an opinion and providing such advice will be covered under this insurance.

If, during the claim, we think that there is no longer a reasonable chance of your winning the case and achieving a reasonable outcome, we may not continue to support your legal proceedings. If we do not carry on with your claim, we will tell you why.

If you decide to commence or continue legal proceedings for which we have denied support under this Claims Settlement Condition and are successful, we will pay legal expenses as if we had given our consent in the first instance.

#### 3. Choosing a representative

In the period before **Court** papers need to be issued (or have been received) we may refer **your** case to a suitably qualified **representative** to act on **your** behalf.

At the point where **Court** papers need to be issued (or have been received), or where there is a conflict of interest, **you** are free to choose a suitably qualified **representative**.

You will need to satisfy us that your representative has the appropriate experience and skills to handle your claim.

Where we agree to the appointment of a representative of your choice, you must confirm that your representative will not charge more than a representative chosen or suggested by us or that you will pay any difference between your chosen representative's fees and those of a representative chosen or suggested by us. We will not pay your choice of representative more than we would pay our own choice of representative.

In selecting the **representative you** shall have a duty to minimise the cost of **legal proceedings**. If **your** choice of **representative** has to undertake work to familiarise themselves with the work already undertaken on the case, **we** will not pay for this work to be done. Any **representative you** choose is appointed to act for **you**.

# CLAIMS SETTLEMENT CONDITIONS (CONTINUED)

If we and you cannot agree whether **Court** papers need to be issued or the choice of **representative**, you can take the matter to an independent arbitrator. This process is set out on page 14.

#### 4. Rights and responsibilities

You must tell **us** if an offer is made to settle the dispute. You must not negotiate or agree to settle the dispute without getting **our** agreement beforehand. If **you** do not accept a reasonable offer to settle the dispute, **we** may not continue to support **your** claim.

You must send us all bills for the **representative's legal expenses** as soon as **you** receive them. You must confirm to us that any charges **you** have to pay for the **representative** handling this dispute are acceptable and that we may pay the bill for **you**.

You and your representative must take every step to recover legal expenses. You must pay any recovered legal expenses to your representative who must then refund any legal expenses which the insurer has paid or has been asked to pay.

If the **insurer** pays **legal expenses** up to the policy limit and **you** pay more **legal expenses** to end **your** case, the **insurer** and **you** will share any **legal expenses** that are recovered. The **insurer** and **you** will each receive the same percentage as originally paid.

#### 5. Information **your representative** will need from **you You** must give **your representative** all the information and help he or she may need. This will

include a truthful account of the facts of **your** case and any paperwork to do with **your** case. **You** owe the same obligations to **us** as to **your representative**.

6. What you and your representative must do for us

We must be able to contact your representative. You and your representative must co-operate and tell us about developments to do with your case. If we ask for this, we must be able to have access to your representative's files. This includes the truthful account of the facts of your case and any paperwork you have supplied to your representative.

If your representative wants to consult a barrister or expert witness, we will agree if we think it is reasonable. You must give us the name of the barrister or expert witness, and the reasons why you need one.

- Appealing against a court's decision If you want to appeal against a court's decision, you must give us your reasons for bringing the appeal. We will give you our agreement if all of the following apply:
  - You must tell **us** that **you** want to appeal as soon as **your** right of appeal arises. This is because strict time limits may apply.
  - The appeal arises from **legal proceedings** to which **we** have already given **our** agreement under the terms of claims settlement condition 2 on page 15.
  - Your appeal meets the requirements of claims settlement condition 2 in the same way as your initial claim for legal expenses.

#### 8. What action we may take

We may take over, in your name, all legal action in any of the following circumstances:

- If the dispute is for an amount which is under £1,000 or if the dispute could be dealt with by the small claims **court**.
- If you take legal action against someone or defend a case without our agreement, or in a different way from that advised by your representative.
- If you do not give proper instructions to your representative or barrister in time.
- If you cause a delay and your representative thinks it will harm your case.

# CLAIMS SETTLEMENT CONDITIONS (CONTINUED)

In these circumstances, **we** may carry out **our** own investigation and try to settle **your** dispute. **You** must agree to a settlement which is reasonable.

If we ask, you must tell your representative to get the court to tax your legal expenses, or get the Law Society to certify them according to the Solicitors Act 1974 or the Solicitors Remuneration Order 1972.

If **you** withdraw from defending a **full enquiry** by HM Revenue & Customs without **our** agreement, **we** will be entitled to recover from **you** any amounts the **insurer** paid during the defence.

### LAW APPLICABLE

Under the laws of the United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland) both **you** and **we** may choose the law which applies to this contract, to the extent permitted by those laws. Unless **you** and **we** agree otherwise, **we** have agreed with **you** that the law which applies to this contract is the law which applies to the part of the United Kingdom in which **you** live, or, if **you** live in the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man, the law of whichever of those two places in which **you** live.

We and you have agreed that any legal proceedings between you and us in connection with this contract will only take place in the courts of the part of the United Kingdom in which you live, or, if you live in either the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man, the courts of whichever of those two places in which you live.

# OUR COMMITMENT TO CUSTOMER SERVICE

At MORE TH>N we are committed to going the extra mile for our customers. If you believe that we have not delivered the service you expected, we want to hear from you so that we can try to put things right. We take all complaints seriously and following the steps below will help us understand your concerns and give you a fair response.

### OUR PROMISE TO YOU

We will:

- Acknowledge your complaint promptly;
- Investigate your complaint quickly and thoroughly;
- Keep you informed of progress;
- Do everything possible to resolve your complaint fairly;
- Ensure you are clear on how to escalate your complaint, if necessary.

#### **STEP 1**

If your complaint relates to your Legal Expenses policy then please contact the sales and service number shown on your schedule. If your complaint relates to a Legal Expenses claim then please contact Arc Legal Group on the telephone number shown below.

We aim to resolve your concerns on an informal basis, within three business days. Where we have been able to, we will send you a letter confirming this. We'll also explain how you may be able to refer the matter to the Financial Ombudsman Service if you subsequently decide that you are unhappy with the outcome.

# OUR COMMITMENT TO CUSTOMER SERVICE (CONTINUED)

#### STEP 2

In the unlikely event that we are unable to resolve your concerns through our informal complaints process, our Customer Relations Team will then review the matter on behalf of our Chief Executive. Once our Customer Relations Team have reviewed your complaint they will send you a final decision in writing within 8 weeks of the date we received your complaint. Their contact details are as follows:

Post: Arc Legal Group, PO Box 8921, Colchester, CO4 5YD

Telephone: 0800 300 688

#### IF YOU ARE STILL NOT HAPPY

If you are still unhappy after our review, or you have not received a written offer of resolution within 8 weeks of the date we received your complaint, you may be eligible to refer your case to the Financial Ombudsman Service. The Financial Ombudsman Service is an independent body that arbitrates on complaints. They can be contacted at:

Post:	Financial Ombudsman Service
	Exchange Tower
	London E14 9SR
Telephone:	08000 234 567 (free from mobile phones and landlines) 0300 1239123 (costs no more than calls to 01 or 02 numbers)
Email:	complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk
Website:	www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk

You have six months from the date of our final response to refer your complaints to the Financial Ombudsman Service. This does not affect your right to take legal action, however, the Financial Ombudsman Service will not adjudicate on any case where litigation has commenced.

#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR FEEDBACK

We value your feedback and at the heart of our brand we remain dedicated to treating our customers as individuals and giving them the best possible service at all times. If we have fallen short of this promise, we apologise and aim to do everything possible to put things right.

# Personal Data

Data privacy is important to us and we are committed to ensuring that personal data is protected. Our Privacy Policy details how we collect, use, share, and protect personal data. This can be found by going to our website https://www.rsagroup.com/supp ort/legal-information/privacy-policy/. If you would like a printed copy of the full notice (a large text version is available), please contact us.

We obtain your personal data and that of any joint policyholders or other parties who may be covered by your Policy from you or those individuals themselves, your insurance broker if you have one, claims handling suppliers and third parties such as credit reference agencies, the DVLA and other insurance industry sources for example, the Motor Insurance Database, the Claims and Underwriting Exchange and fraud prevention databases.

We use personal data for a number of different purposes, for example to:

- manage your application, quotation and/or Policy;
- process claims;
- prevent and detect fraud and financial crime;
- · update existing and develop new products and services;
- · carry out risk and pricing modelling; and
- · meet our legal and regulatory requirements.

We will always keep personal data confidential, however it may be necessary to share personal data with third parties where there is a valid reason to do so. For example, we may need to share personal data with:

- · other parties involved in a claim and/or their representatives;
- contractors, partners, and suppliers who assist us in the administration of your application, quotation and/or policy or help us to process any claims; and
- government agencies, regulators, auditors, reinsurers and fraud prevention agencies where required to fulfil our legal, commercial and regulatory obligations.

We will retain your personal data (and that of any joint policyholders or other parties who may be covered) for as long as we have a business relationship with you. Once this relationship has ended (for example, your Policy has expired, your application is declined or you do not proceed with a quotation) We will only retain such personal data for as long as is necessary to satisfy our legal, accounting or reporting obligations, or as necessary to resolve any disputes.

Data Protection Laws also gives you various rights over your personal data. More details of these rights can be found in our Privacy Policy.

#### LEGAL ADVICE LINE

Free and confidential advice from a team of lawyers on personal or domestic legal matters when you need it, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

#### **ONLINE DOCUMENTS**

Use our website to quickly and easily prepare professional legal documents and consumer complaint letters. There are 150 services for you to choose from, all for no extra cost.

#### LOST OR FORGOTTEN PASSWORD

Your password is your key to any documents you have created and stored online, so please make a note of it in this booklet and download your documents to a safe place. However, if you ever lose your password, let us know and we'll send you a new one straight away.

#### LEGAL EXPENSES CLAIMS HELPLINE

If you think you need to make a claim, call us first on this number and we will help you from start to finish.

#### CUSTOMER SERVICE LINE

If your circumstances change or you have a query about your Home Insurance or MORE TH>N Legal Services, please call this number. Lines open Monday to Friday 8am-9pm, Saturday 8am-5pm, Sunday 9am-5pm.

#### **TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE**

For technical problems with document creation.

MORE TH>N is a trading style of Royal & Sun Alliance Insurance Ltd (No. 93792). Registered in England and Wales at St. Mark's Court, Chart Way, Horsham, West Sussex RH12 1XL. Authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority. Calls may be recorded and monitored. R05005E (02-23)

#### morethan.com/legalservices

# 0800 300 688

0330 102 3627

0330 102 3650

### 0330 102 3650



## 0800 300 688