

# **Personal Accident Plan**

Underwritten by AVON INSURANCE plc.

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**Policy No.:** 

Benefits

The Insured:

**Start Date:** 

Date of Birth:

In the event of an **accident** causing: - **Benefit Payable** 

. Permanent Total Disability

1.1 as a result of travelling

as a **fare-paying passenger\*** 1.2

as a result of any other accident

- Loss of sight in both eyes
- 3. Loss of use of two limbs
- 4. **Loss of sight** in one eye
- 5. Loss of use of one limb
- 6. Loss of speech
- Loss of hearing
- 8. Loss of hearing in one ear
- 9. Loss of use of:
  - 9.1 Shoulder/elbow
  - 9.2 Wrist/thumb/hip/knee/ankle 9.3

Any finger or big toe

9.4 Any other toe

- 10. Daily **hospitalisation** benefit (See 3B below)
- 11. Lump sum **hospitalisation** benefit (See 3B below)
- 12. Accidental Death

  Monthly Premium

**POLICY**THIS POLICY sets out the details of your insurance cover.

# 1. MEANING OF WORDS

Wherever the words below appear in bold they will have the following meanings:-

 "Accident/Accidental" means a sudden and unforeseen event which happens by chance after the start date and results in bodily injury.

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- "Bodily injury" means injury to your body (excluding sickness, disease or any naturally
  occurring condition or degenerative process) resulting from external violent and visible
  means.
- "Disability" means a state of incapacity resulting solely from an accident.
- "Doctor" means a legally qualified medical practitioner other than you, a co-habitee of yours or a member of your immediate family.
- "End date" means the date when your insurance ends as set out in clause 6.
- "Fare-paying passenger" means you travelling with a valid ticket in a plane, ship, train or
  bus that is a licensed common carrier.
- "Hospital" means a lawfully registered establishment providing medical and surgical treatment and 24 hour day nursing care by registered nurses for ill or injured people. This does not include a convalescent, self-care or rest home, or a department in a hospital which has the role of a convalescent or nursing home.
- "Hospitalisation" means staying in a hospital on the advice of a doctor because of an accident.
- "Insured" means the person named in the Schedule as the insured.
- "Loss of hearing or speech" means total, permanent and irrecoverable loss of hearing or speech.
- · "Loss of sight" means total, permanent and irrecoverable loss of sight.
- "Loss of use of limb(s)" means total, permanent and irrecoverable loss of use or loss by
  physical separation at or above the wrist or ankle.
- "Loss of use of a shoulder, elbow, wrist, hip, knee or ankle" means the total, permanent
  and irrecoverable loss of movement of the affected joint.
- "Loss of use of a thumb, finger or toe" means total, permanent and irrecoverable loss of
  use or loss by physical separation of the entire thumb, finger or toe.

- "Start date" means the date described in the Schedule as the start date.
- "Permanent total disability" means total and permanent disability which
  medical evidence confirms will last for the rest of your life and which permanently
  stops you from doing any paid job for remuneration or profit which your
  experience, education, or training reasonably qualifies you to do whether or not you
  are in paid employment at the

time of vour accident.

- "United Kingdom" means England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.
- "We, us, our or Avon" means Avon Insurance plc.
- "You, your and yours" means the insured.

#### 2. ELIGIBILITY

An insured is eligible for cover if:

- the insured is aged between 18-69 years at the start date; and
- throughout the period of the insurance the **insured** is living permanently in the **United Kingdom** for at least 40 weeks in any 52-week period from the **start date**.

If occasional or temporary absences mean that you are going to be outside the United Kingdom for a total of more than 12 weeks in any 52-week period after the start date then your cover outside the United Kingdom will stop on the last day of the twelfth week. If you wish to extend your cover for occasional or temporary absences (which means you will be outside the United Kingdom for more than 12 weeks in any 52-week period after the start date) then please write to us with full details. We will then decide whether we are able to extend your cover. If we do, we will send you a written endorsement which you will need to provide to us if you have to make a claim for that period.

### 3. BENEFITS

You will be entitled to the benefits detailed in your Schedule if you have an accident after the start date and before the end date.

### NOTES

\* Benefit 1.1 only applies to **permanent total disability** as a result of an **accident** whilst travelling as a **fare-paying passenger**.

All benefit calculations will be made as at the date of the accident.

If you have an accident you should be put under the care of a doctor as soon as possible. The calculation of any benefit payable will be based on the level of cover you have for which the appropriate premium is being paid. The level of cover you have is shown in the Schedule details.

When you reach your 65th birthday you will no longer be eligible for permanent total disability benefit (Benefit 1.1 and 1.2) and all of the other benefits will be reduced by 50%.

This policy has no surrender or maturity value.

## A. Permanent Total Disability

Assessment of **your** eligibility for **permanent total disability** benefit will be delayed for 12 months from the date **your** claim is received by **us** so that an independent **doctor** of **our** choice can assess **your** claim. However if it is shown by medical evidence that the **disability** is total and permanent, then **we** may at our discretion pay a benefit before the end of the 12 months.

# B. Hospitalisation

The daily benefit rate:

- is for each complete 24 hour period in **hospital**;
- excludes the first 3 days in hospital for any one accident.
- is subject to a maximum of 120 days for each accident.

A single lump sum payment will be made after **you** have spent 14 continuous days in hospital. Only one lump sum payment will be paid for the same **accident**.

## 4. MAXIMUM BENEFITS

For claims under this policy: -

The maximum total aggregate benefit payable for all claims under this is a sum equal to the **loss of sight** benefit (Benefit 2).

This amount will be reduced by 50% if **you** are aged 65 or over at the date of the **accident**. When **you** have reached this limit, no further sums are payable to **you** under the terms of this policy.

The above limits of cover do not apply to a claim for **permanent total disability** whilst travelling as a **fare-paying passenger** (Benefit 1.1).

Provided the maximum benefits referred to above have not been reached, in the event of a claim for **permanent total disability** whilst travelling as a fare-paying passenger (Benefit 1.1): -

the maximum total aggregate benefit payable for all claims under this policy is a sum equal to Benefit 1.1. In the event of a claim by you under Benefit 1.1 any other sums paid to you or due to be paid to you under this policy prior to such a claim will be deducted from the amount due to you under Benefit 1.1. You will not be eligible for Benefit 1.1 if you are aged 65 or over at the date of the accident.

#### 5. EXCLUSIONS

- **A.** We will not pay you benefits for an accident that is directly or indirectly the result of:
- war, invasion, acts of foreign enemies, civil war, rebellion, terrorism in Northern Ireland or being on naval, military or air force duty, service or operations;
- riding on a motorcycle or moped as a driver or passenger; scuba-diving, rock climbing or mountaineering of any type, potholing or parachuting;
- competing or practising for speed, time trials or sprints or racing of any kind other than
- on foot or whilst swimming;
- the manufacture or use of explosives;
- flying or any form of airborne aerial activity, except as a fare-paying passenger on a recognised airline;
- your suicide, your own illegal acts, your intentional self-inflicted injury;
- your exposure to exceptional danger (except in an attempt to save human life);
- an accident occurring while the insured is under the influence of alcohol, or of any drug not prescribed or taken as prescribed by a registered medical practitioner;
- radiation or contamination or the effects of radiation.
- B. If vou die, suffer loss of use of limb(s), loss of sight, loss of hearing, loss of speech, **loss of use of a shoulder, elbow, wrist, hip, knee, ankle, thumb, finger** or **toe** because of an **accident we** will not pay **you** any benefits if any of them happen more than 12 months after the accident.
- C. If you claim for Benefits 4-9.4 and then die within 12 months as a result of the same accident we will only pay a total sum up to the maximum death benefit for the accident.
- D. Where we have made payment under Benefit 9, the amount payable under Benefit 1.1, 1.2, 3 and 5 in respect of any subsequent bodily injury to the same limb will be reduced by the amount(s) already paid.
- E. If benefit is claimed for loss of use of limb(s) (Benefit 3 or 5) then we shall not pay benefit for loss of use of other parts of that limb (Benefit 9).
- F. If benefit is claimed for loss of use of parts of a limb (Benefit 9) then the total amount payable shall not exceed the benefit payable for loss of use of limb(s) (Benefit 3 or 5).
- G. Where we have made payment under Benefits 4-9.4, the amount payable under Benefits 1-3 in respect of any subsequent bodily injuries will be reduced by the amount(s) already
- H. If the affects of an accident on you are made worse because you already had a sickness, disease, naturally occurring condition or injury then we will ask a doctor to assess the effects that your sickness, disease, naturally occurring condition or injury has on your bodily injury and we will reduce your benefit by an amount decided by the doctor to take this into account.

## 6. WHEN DOES YOUR PROTECTION END?

This policy ends automatically as soon as one of the following happens:-

- the insured dies;
- the insured reaches 75 years old;
- the date on which we pay benefits which together with any previous payments equal the maximum total benefit payable under this policy;
- the date the insured does not pay a monthly premium when due;
- the date the **insured** cancels the insurance as set out in clause 7.
- on our cancelling or declining to renew the policy under section 7 below.

B. If you are the child of the insured your protection will also end when:-

- · You reach 18 years of age or marry;
- You stop permanently living with the insured.

The Insured may cancel their policy at any time by writing to us at the address below.

We may cancel or decline to renew the policy at any time by giving the insured 30 days notice in writing

We may vary or amend any of the terms and conditions of this policy at any time by giving the insured 30 days written notice.

The insured will not be entitled to a refund of premiums paid before the date of cancellation, unless the insured cancels within 15 days of the start date. If the Insured does not pay their first premium when due, the policy will be void from the intended start date.

The quoted premium includes insurance premium tax. If there is any future change in the rate of insurance premium tax the premium will be automatically adjusted. Any alteration in the rate of tax will be announced publicly. You cannot transfer or sell your rights or benefits under this policy. Any fraud or mis-statement or concealment either in your application form or in relation to any other matter affecting **your** insurance or when you are making a claim will cause this insurance to be null and void and all benefits will be forfeited.

We propose to choose English law as the law applicable to this policy unless we agree with the insured to exercise the right to choose any other law before the start date

Benefits will be paid to the insured or in the event of the death of the insured to the insured's legal personal representative and forms part of the estate.

The Data Protection Act 1998 gives you the right to a copy of your personal data held by us, upon payment of a fee.

Avon is a member of the General Insurance Standards Council (GISC) and complies with the GISC Private Customer Code, a copy of which is available on request.

## 8. WHAT TO DO IF YOU WISH TO CLAIM

If you wish to make a claim under this policy, please ask for a claim form from:-

The Senior Claims Technician, PA Plans Department, Avon Insurance plc, Arden Street, Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwickshire CV37 6WA. Or telephone our claims department on (01789) 200 855\* or Email at Claims\_ADPI@avoninsurance co uk

The claim form must be filled in and sent to us at the above address. All claims must be submitted within three calendar months of the date of the accident or as soon as possible. Late notifications can delay the speed in which your claim is handled

All certificates, information and evidence required by us to prove a claim must be provided at your own expense and must be on a claim form provided by us. You shall as often as we reasonably require agree to medical examination at our expense in connection with any claim.

#### 9. OUR PROMISE OF SERVICE

Our promise to you is that we will always be fair and reasonable whenever you need the protection of this Policy and that we will act quickly to provide that protection. If you ever feel that we have not kept our promise, you should contact the PA Plans Manager, Avon Insurance plc, Arden Street, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 6WA.

If this does not resolve the matter to your satisfaction, you may write to the Head of Insurance Product, Retail Banking, 152 West Regent Street, Glasgow G2 2RQ.

If you are still dissatisfied, you may refer your complaint to The Financial Ombudsman Service, South Quay Plaza, 183 Marsh Wall, London E14 9SR, or telephone 0845 080 1800. Your legal rights are not affected by following this procedure. Please note that the Financial Ombudsman Service will normally only consider a complaint once we have issued a final decision.

In order to maintain the highest levels of service we may record and monitor telephone calls.

### Signed on behalf of Avon Insurance plc

Alan Harris, General Manager