# ALPHERA Contract Hire Shortfall Insurance.

Policy Wording.



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# About your ALPHERA Contract Hire Shortfall Insurance.

In return for **Your** payment of the **Premium**, **We** agree to insure **You** in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in the policy documentation provided to **You** in writing by **Us**.

GardX Assure Limited is authorised to sign and issue these documents on  ${\bf Our}$  behalf.

In witness whereof this Insurance  $\ensuremath{\textbf{Policy}}$  has been signed on behalf of the Insurer by:

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Mr. Victor Coutin GardX Assure Limited



#### 1. About Your Certificate.

ALPHERA Contract Hire Shortfall Insurance has been designed to cover the 'gap' between the **Motor Insurance Settlement** and either the **Contract Hire/Lease Net Balance** if the **Insured Vehicle** is declared a **Total Loss** within the **Period of Cover**. Please refer to Section 4. Cover Provided of this Policy Wording.

The **Schedule** is subject to the terms of this Policy Wording and it shows the **Insured Vehicle** that is covered by this Shortfall Insurance.

This Policy Wording includes important details about the cover provided and any exclusions that may apply. It must be read in conjunction with **Your** other policy documentation such as **Your Schedule**. Words with special meanings have been listed within the definitions below. These words are printed in bold whenever they appear in this Policy Wording.

Please take the time to read **Your** policy documentation. If **You** have any questions or there is anything that **You** do not understand, please contact GardX Assure on 020 3971 0989 by telephone, or at <u>support-alpheraprotect@gardx.co.uk</u> by email.

**We** have listed the exclusions that apply to **Your** Shortfall Insurance below.

Please read this Policy Wording carefully as **Your** failure to comply with any of its terms may render **Your** Shortfall Insurance invalid and could jeopardise the payment of any claim which might arise.

This Policy Wording tells **You** what is covered, how claims are administered and other important information.

This insurance is administered by GardX Assure Limited, **They** will help **You** with any questions **You** may have and deal with any claims. **You** should also contact them if **You** need to make any changes to the information disclosed when **You** arranged this insurance.

GardX Assure Limited is registered in England under company Registration Number 9339557 and is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority, Registration Number 711212. Their registered office is at Unit 7, Clovelly Business Park, Clovelly Road, Southbourne, Emsworth, United Kingdom, PO10 8PE.

This **Policy** is underwritten by Helvetia Swiss Insurance Company in Liechtenstein Ltd. Helvetia Swiss Insurance Company in Liechtenstein Ltd., whose registered office is at Aeulestrasse 60, FL-9490 Vaduz, Liechtenstein, is authorised and regulated by the Financial Market Authority of the Principality of Liechtenstein (FMA), and subject to limited regulation by the Financial Conduct Authority for the conduct of UK business. **You** can check this on the FCA website at https://register.fca.org.uk.

## 2. Eligibility.

- 2.1 You may only purchase this **Policy** within 60 days from the date You take delivery of the **Insured Vehicle**.
- 2.2 The **Contract Hire/Lease Agreement** must not exceed the term specified on **Your Schedule**.
- 2.3 In order to be eligible for this **Policy**, the following must apply throughout the **Period of Cover**:
- 2.3.1 **You** must be a permanent resident of the United Kingdom, or in the case of a corporate body, must be registered in the United Kingdom;
- 2.3.2 You must be at least 18 years of age at the Start Date;
- 2.3.3 The **Insured Vehicle** is the subject of a **Contract Hire/Lease Agreement** which is in **Your** name;
- 2.3.4 You or any person permitted to drive the Insured Vehicle must hold a current valid United Kingdom driving licence, or hold a full internationally recognised driving licence that is valid for use in the United Kingdom, and entitles You to legally drive the Insured Vehicle, and;
- 2.2.4 You must have paid the Premium.
- 2.3 The **Insured Vehicle** must:
- 2.3.1 Be covered by **Your Motor Insurance** policy throughout the **Period of Cover**;
- 2.3.2 Be purchased from the **Supplying Retailer**;
- 2.3.3 Be listed in Glass's Guide, and;
- 2.3.4 Be registered and used principally within the United Kingdom.
- 2.4 The **Insured Vehicle** must not:
- 2.4.1 Be used for daily or weekly rental purposes;
- 2.4.2 Have been purchased via a private sale, or;
- 2.4.3 Have been previously written off.
- 2.5 This **Policy** will not provide cover for:
- (a) Any vehicle with a gross vehicle weight of more than 3,500kg;
- (b) Any vehicle insured on any type of motor trade insurance policy; any motor trader, garage or associated company that sells vehicles, the proprietor(s) of such motor trader or garage, or an employee or a direct relative of such proprietor(s);

# Eligibility (Cont).

- (d) Any vehicle used at any time in a public service capacity, such as a Military, Police or Ambulance vehicle;
- (e) Any vehicle used at any time for hire/lease and reward; courier or delivery services; short-term self-drive, or for the carriage of passengers, including but not limited to taxi services and private hire/lease. For the purposes of this Insurance **Policy**, driving school vehicles or vehicles used for driving instruction purposes are covered, provided the **Insured Vehicle** complies with this policy's Eligibility criteria throughout the **Period of Cover**;
- Any vehicle used at any time for any type of competition or rally; racing; any type of track day; off road; speed testing; pacemaking, or reliability trials;
- (g) Motorcycles; quad bikes; scooters; tricycles; sidecars; kit cars; invalid carriages; buses; coaches; stretched limousines; touring caravans; or any vehicle with a non-manufacturer fitted LPG conversion;
- (h) Any vehicle that has been modified other than in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications, or;
- (i) Any Grey or Parallel Import, or any vehicle built for use outside of the United Kingdom unless manufactured as right hand drive and purchased from an authorised United Kingdom distributor.

#### 3. Definitions.

The following words will have the meanings described below wherever they appear in this Policy Wording:

Administrator/They means GardX Assure Limited. Whenever You contact them please quote the product number on Your Schedule;

Advance Rentals/Lease Deposit means the non-refundable payment made to the Contract Hire/Lease Company prior to You taking delivery of the Insured Vehicle. This amount must be detailed in the Contract Hire/Lease Agreement;

**Contract Hire/Lease Agreement** means the initial agreement between **You** and the **Contract Hire/Lease Company** arranged by the **Supplying Retailer** for the hire/lease of the **Insured Vehicle**;

**Contract Hire/Lease Company** means a United Kingdom lender with whom **You** have agreed a loan or credit agreement for the hire/lease of the **Insured Vehicle** through the **Supplying Retailer**;

**Contract Hire/Lease Net Balance** means the net balance payable by **You** to the **Contract Hire/Lease Company** at the date of **Total Loss**, less anything noted under Section 5. Exclusions of this **Policy**;

**End Date** means the date **Your** ALPHERA Contract Hire Shortfall Insurance cover ends;

**Glass's Guide** means a motor industry publication, which provides vehicle valuations;

**Grey or Parallel Import** means new or used vehicles legally imported from another country through channels other than the manufacturer's official distribution system;

Incident means the cause of the claim;

Insured Vehicle means the vehicle described in Your Schedule;

**Market Value** means the value of the **Insured Vehicle** at the date of **Total Loss** by reference to **Glass's Guide** retail transacted value. Please note that if modifications have been made, or additional manufacturer fitted accessories included at the time of purchase, **We** may request an assessor's report to establish the value of the **Insured Vehicle**;

**Maximum Benefit** means the claim limit shown on the **Schedule**, which includes any **Motor Insurance** excess;

**Motor Insurance** means a comprehensive policy of motor insurance issued by an insurer authorised to sell insurance in the United Kingdom, which is maintained in **Your** name, lists any person permitted to drive the **Insured Vehicle** and is valid throughout the **Period of Cover**;

# Definitions (Cont).

Motor Insurance Settlement means the value of the Insured Vehicle at the date of Total Loss as assessed by Your Motor Insurance provider or the Third Party's Motor Insurance provider, excluding: any deductions for damage not associated with the Total Loss claim; any deductions made where You fail to maintain the Insured Vehicle or keep it in a roadworthy condition; any salvage amount if You retain the Insured Vehicle; any more than the limit for Motor Insurance excess, or any outstanding premium owed to Your Motor Insurance provider;

**Motor Insurer** means an authorised **Motor Insurance** company that issued **Your** policy of **Motor Insurance** to **You**;

**Period of Cover** means the period as shown in the **Schedule** from the **Start Date** up to either the:

- (a) End Date;
- (b) The date on which a valid claim is registered by Us under this Policy;
- (c) The date this **Policy** is cancelled, or;
- (d) The date the **Insured Vehicle** is sold, transferred to another party, or repossessed;
- (e) The date the Contract Hire/Lease Agreement is transferred to another party who is not an immediate family member (i.e., parent; spouse; civil partner; son or daughter);
- (f) The scheduled expiry date of **Your Contract Hire/Lease** Agreement term, or;
- (g) The date on which You have paid all sums due under the Contract Hire/Lease Agreement;

This insurance cover is non-renewable;

Policy means this document, together with the Schedule;

**Premium** means the amount payable by **You** (including any taxes, commissions or charges) for cover under this **Policy**;

Schedule means the document issued to You containing important information about You, the Insured Vehicle, the Start date and the Premium;

**Start Date** means the date this insurance cover commences as shown on the **Schedule**;

**Supplying Retailer** means the authorised motor dealer that supplied the **Insured Vehicle** and sold **You** this **Policy**;

# Definitions (Cont).

**Territorial Limits** means the United Kingdom. The **Insured Vehicle** is also covered in the European Economic Area (EEA), Isle of Man, Channel Islands and Switzerland, providing **You** maintain a comparable level of cover on **Your Motor Insurance** equivalent to the cover **You** have in the UK and that this cover is in force on the date of **Total Loss**;

Third Party's Motor Insurance means the motor insurance provider of the third party, where a the third party is liable for the **Total Loss** of the **Insured Vehicle**;

**Total Loss** means the **Total Loss** of the **Insured Vehicle** is the subject of accidental or malicious damage, fire or theft to the extent that a claim is paid as full and final settlement under **Your Motor Insurance** or a **Third Party's Motor Insurance**, and the **Insured Vehicle** is recorded as salvage category A, B, N or S;

We/Us/Our means Helvetia Swiss Insurance Company in Liechtenstein Ltd.;

You/Your/Yourself means the individual or corporate body named as the policyholder on both the **Schedule** and **Your Motor Insurance** policy. This **Policy** will also provide cover for any person who is permitted to drive the **Insured Vehicle** provided they hold comprehensive cover under **Your Motor Insurance**.

## 4. Cover Provided.

4.1 Subject to the terms and conditions, if the **Insured Vehicle** is declared a **Total Loss**, this **Policy** will cover the difference between the **Motor Insurance Settlement** and the **Contract Hire/Lease Net Balance** at the date of **Total Loss**.

The **Maximum Benefit** that **We** will pay under this **Policy** is specified on **Your Schedule**.

- 4.2 Any settlement amount will include all manufacturer-fitted and manufacturer-approved dealer-fitted accessories purchased for the **Insured Vehicle**, provided these are listed on the original purchase invoice for the **Insured Vehicle** and are present at the date of **Total Loss**.
- 4.3 If We authorise Your claim (regardless of whether any settlement can be made), We will pay up to a limit of £1,500 towards the cost of the Advance Rentals/Lease Deposit detailed in the Contract Hire/Lease Agreement.

This amount is in addition to the **Maximum Benefit** payable under this **Policy**.

We will only pay Advance Rentals/Lease Deposit not covered by any other insurance.

4.4 If You incur a Motor Insurance excess as part of Your Motor Insurance Settlement and We authorise Your claim, We will also pay You up to a limit of £500 toward the cost of Your Motor Insurance excess, as part of the Maximum Benefit payable under this Policy.

Please note that no **Motor Insurance** excess contribution will be made where **You** are eligible for a replacement vehicle under the terms of **Your Motor Insurance** policy.

The **Maximum Benefit** that **We** will pay under this **Policy** is specified on **Your Schedule**.

Any settlement due under 4.1 will be paid to the **Contract Hire/Lease Company**, and any settlement due under 4.3 or 4.4 will be paid to **You**.

If there is any amount still owing on the **Contract Hire/Lease Agreement** after **Your** claim has been settled, it is **Your** responsibility to ensure that settlement of this amount is made.

4.5 If the risk covered by this **Policy** is also covered by any other insurance, **We** shall only be responsible for paying a fair proportion of any settlement which **We** would otherwise be due to pay.

## 5. Exclusions.

- 5.1 **You** are not covered for the following:
- 5.1.1 Any claim where the **Insured Vehicle** is not declared a **Total** Loss, or where no **Motor Insurance Settlement** is paid to the **Contract Hire/Lease Company**;
- 5.1.2 Any claim where the **Insured Vehicle** is stolen or driven without **Your** consent by any person who has access to a removable vehicle ignition device (e.g. key or fob), including but not limited to family members, spouse and partner, unless access was gained through forced and violent means;
- 5.1.3 Any claim where the **Insured Vehicle** is left unattended unless all security devices/immobilisers present on the **Insured Vehicle** have been activated and the vehicle is locked, or any claim where a key or key fob device is left unsecured, or in, or on, the **Insured Vehicle**;
- 5.1.4 Any **Total Loss** that occurs while the **Insured Vehicle** is in the control of anyone not permitted to drive the **Insured Vehicle**, unless the **Total Loss** occurs as a result of fire or theft;
- 5.1.5 VAT if You are VAT registered;
- 5.1.6 Any claim if the driver of the **Insured Vehicle** is intoxicated by alcohol, under the influence of non-prescribed drugs, or where they have been advised not to drive by a registered medical practitioner;
- 5.1.7 Any government grants; vehicle contents; cash back; missed payments; arrears (including but not limited to late payment charges; loss/damage excess, or wear and tear charges); any additional interest due under the terms of the **Contract Hire/** Lease Agreement; any secondary schedule(s) noted in the **Contract Hire/Lease Agreement**; delivery charges; electric vehicle batteries that are leased/hired from third parties separately from the **Contract Hire/Lease Agreement**; vehicle excise duty; paintwork and/or upholstery protection kits; new vehicle registration fees; cherished number plates; fuel; insurance premiums (including the **Premium**); warranty, roadside assistance, servicing and maintenance plans or charges;
- 5.1.8 Loss of use of the **Insured Vehicle** or any other losses that are caused by the event which led to **Your** claim and that fall outside the scope of cover of this **Policy**. This includes but is not limited to travel expenses or loss of earnings;

## Exclusions (Cont).

- 5.1.9 Any **Total Loss** that occurs as a result of the **Insured Vehicle** being modified other than in accordance with the manufacturer's specification;
- 5.1.10 Any claim where the **Insured Vehicle** can be repaired but **You** have asked for the motor insurance claim to be dealt with on a **Total Loss** basis;
- 5.1.11 Any Total Loss caused by pressure waves of an aircraft or of other aerial device travelling at subsonic or supersonic speed;
- 5.1.12 Any claim arising as a result of war; any warlike activity (whether war be declared or not); civil unrest, or any act that the United Kingdom Government considers to be an act of terrorism
- 5.1.13 Any **Total Loss** that is directly or indirectly caused by ionising radiation; the combustion of nuclear fuel; contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or waste, or the radioactive, toxic, explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or associated nuclear parts;
- 5.1.14 Any **Total Loss** that occurs before the **Start Date**, outside **Period of Cover**, or outside the **Territorial Limits**.

#### 6. General Conditions.

- 6.1 **You** must fulfil certain obligations in order to ensure that **Your** Shortfall Insurance remains valid:
- 6.1.1 **You** must report **Your** claim within 120 days of the **Incident** occurring;
- 6.1.2 **You** must maintain the **Insured Vehicle** in an efficient and roadworthy condition;
- 6.1.3 **You** must give **Us** true and complete information and **You** must comply with **Our** reasonable requests;
- 6.1.4 **You** must follow the prescribed claims procedure as explained in this Policy Wording or by the **Administrator**;
- 6.1.5 You must inform Us, via the Administrator, if any of the details in Your Schedule are incorrect or need updating, as well as the following:
- You change the Insured Vehicle, return it to the Contract Hire/ Lease Company, or the Contract Hire/Lease Agreement is transferred to another party;
- (b) You change what You use the Insured Vehicle for (for example, if You start using it for commercial purposes);
- (c) You customise or make alterations to the Insured Vehicle;
- (d) The **Contract Hire/Lease Agreement** is cancelled, paid off or reaches its scheduled expiry.

If **You** advise **Us** of a change in **Your** circumstance which results in **You** or the **Insured Vehicle** becoming ineligible for cover, **We** will cancel **Your Policy**. Please refer to Section 7. Cancellation and Cooling off Period of this Policy Wording. Failure to advise **Us** of a change in **Your** circumstances may result in **You** or the **Insured Vehicle** becoming ineligible for cover and **Your** claim not being paid.

- 6.1.6 **You** must use **Your** best endeavours to obtain the maximum possible settlement under **Your Motor Insurance** policy or the **Third Party's Motor Insurance**. See Section 9. How to Make a Claim of this Policy Wording.
- 6.2 If **You** do not adhere to the terms and conditions of this **Policy**, it may delay settlement of **Your** claim.
- 6.3 This **Policy** will only provide cover for the initial **Contract Hire/ Lease Agreement** taken out at the time **You** purchase this **Policy**.
- 6.4 If the **Insured Vehicle** is modified within the **Period of Cover**, **We** will use the original **Contract Hire/Lease Agreement** to calculate any settlement.
- 6.5 This **Policy** is in addition to **Your** legal rights.

## 7. Cancellation And Cooling Off Period.

- 7.1 We trust that You will be happy with Your Shortfall Insurance. However, You have the right to cancel it within 30 days of receiving Your Policy by contacting Your Supplying Retailer who will arrange a refund.
- 7.2 If You cancel after the first 30 days You can receive a pro rata refund for the number of complete unexpired days remaining of Your Policy, subject to a cancellation fee of £15. If You wish to cancel Your Policy please contact the Administrator on 020 3971 0989.
- 7.3 The cancellation date will be the date the documents are received by the **Administrator**.
- 7.4 We reserve the right to cancel this Shortfall Insurance by giving You 30 days' notice at any stage during the **Period of Cover**. In this event, We will refund You for the unexpired portion of Your **Premium** if no claims have been paid.
- 7.5 We may cancel **Your Policy** due to the non-payment of **Premium**, if **You** use threatening or abusive behaviour or language or **We** have reasonable suspicion of fraud. This is not an exhaustive list.
- 7.6 If You are paying for Your Policy via a monthly funding option, and You wish to cancel Your Policy, You may be entitled to a pro rata refund. We will pay the refund to the finance provider, who will refund You once any funding costs have been deducted. If You owe more than the pro rata refund amount, You will be liable for any outstanding costs.
- 7.7 If You are paying for Your Policy via a monthly funding option, and You default on Your payments, Your Policy will be cancelled. You may be entitled to a pro rata refund. We will pay the refund to the finance provider, who will refund You once any funding costs have been deducted. If You owe more than the pro rata refund amount, You will be liable for any outstanding costs.
- 7.8 **We** will not refund any **Premium** paid if a claim has been paid or if an **Incident** that may give rise to a claim has occurred.

## 8. Automatic Termination.

- 8.1 **Your** Shortfall Insurance will automatically terminate on the earliest date of when one of the following events happen:
- 8.1.1 You dispose of, or transfer ownership of the Insured Vehicle to another party, and You do not inform Us;
- 8.1.2 **You** dispose of, or transfer ownership of the **Insured Vehicle** to a garage, motor trader, auctioneers or similar company;
- 8.1.3 Your Policy expires as per Your Schedule;
- 8.1.4 **You** cease to be resident in the United Kingdom.

#### 9. How To Make A Claim.

If **You** wish to make a claim under this insurance cover, please contact the **Administrator** on:

By email: <a href="mailto:support-alpheraprotect@gardx.co.uk">support-alpheraprotect@gardx.co.uk</a>

By telephone: 020 3971 0989

**Important:** You must contact Us prior to accepting any Motor **Insurance Settlement** and You must be able to demonstrate that You have used Your best endeavours to obtain the maximum settlement under Your Motor Insurance Policy or the Third Party's Motor Insurance.

All claims must be notified <u>as soon as is reasonably possible</u> and in any event within 120 days of any **Total Loss**.

**You** must comply with the claims procedure as explained in this Policy Wording and by the **Administrator**.

You agree to safeguard the **Insured Vehicle** in the event of any damage occurring to it.

- 9.1 In order to authorise a claim, the **Administrator** will require:
- 9.1.1 Your personal and the Insured Vehicle details;
- 9.1.2 Full details of the damage;
- 9.1.3 In the case of malicious damage or theft, **You** must report the **Incident** to the police and advise the **Administrator** of the crime reference number.
- 9.2 If **You** do not contact **Us** prior to accepting any **Motor Insurance Settlement We** reserve the right to settle **Your** claim using the **Market Value** of the **Insured Vehicle**.
- 9.3 Where the Motor Insurance Settlement is less than the Market Value of Your Vehicle, We will instruct the Administrator to contact Your Motor Insurer or the Third Party's Motor Insurance provider to negotiate an increase to the Motor Insurance Settlement on Your behalf.
- 9.4 Upon receipt of the information requested in 9.1 and 9.3 the Administrator will review Your claim. If Your claim is covered by this Policy Wording the Administrator will authorise Your claim. Only We or the Administrator are mandated to authorise or reject claims.
- 9.5 The **Administrator** will be unable to process **Your** claim if **You** do not provide:

## How To Make A Claim (Cont).

- 9.5.1 A copy of Your Motor Insurance schedule;
- 9.5.2 Your Motor Insurer's written confirmation that the Motor Insurance Settlement has been paid following Your claim for Total Loss and the terms on which the Motor Insurance Settlement was made;
- 9.5.3 Your original invoice relating to the Insured Vehicle;
- 9.5.4 If applicable, a copy of **Your Contract Hire/Lease Agreement**, written confirmation from **Your Contract Hire/Lease Company** of the **Contract Hire/Lease Net Balance** as well as the up-front payment that **You** had made in the form of **Advance Rentals**.
- 9.6 Please note the following:
- (a) If there is any amount due on the Contract Hire/Lease Agreement after Your claim has been settled, it is Your responsibility to ensure that settlement of this amount is made;
- (b) If You are entitled to a replacement vehicle ('new for old') under Your Motor Insurance, or if the insured Vehicle can be replaced by the manufacturer and this option is not chosen, We will settle Your claim based on the value of the brand new replacement vehicle offered. This may result in no settlement being paid under this Policy;
- (c) If You retain the Vehicle after any Motor Insurance Settlement has been paid, We reserve the right to reduce the settlement under this Policy by the value of the Vehicle retained by You.

## 10. Transferring Your Cover.

- 10.1 In the event that the **Insured Vehicle** is declared a **Total Loss** by **Your Motor Insurance** provider or a **Third Party's Motor Insurance** and **You** are provided with a replacement vehicle as part of a **Motor Insurance Settlement**, under a manufacturer's or **Retailer's** warranty, or due to satisfactory quality issues, **You** may transfer this **Policy** to a replacement vehicle.
- 10.2 If **You** have chosen to pay the **Premium** in instalments, all payments must be up to date.
- 10.3 The Administrator will issue a new Schedule to You. The Start Date and the Period of Cover will remain the same.
- 10.4 Irrespective of the invoice price of the replacement vehicle, the original **Contract Hire/Lease Agreement** will be used to calculate any future claim.
- 10.5 The transfer will be subject to **Our** approval. **You** cannot transfer **Your** insurance cover if a claim or an **Incident** that may give rise to a claim has occurred.

#### 11. What To Do If You Have A Complaint.

We always aim to provide a first class standard of service. However, if **You** are dissatisfied **You** should in the first instance contact the **Administrator**, quoting **Your** product number.

Their contact details are:

Quality and Compliance Manager GardX Assure Limited Unit 7, Clovelly Business Park Clovelly Road Southbourne, Emsworth PO10 8PE

Telephone: 020 3971 0989 Email: <u>feedback-alpheraprotect@gardx.co.uk</u>

We, the firm that arranged **Your** insurance with **Us**, and the **Administrator** aim to provide **You** with a prompt and efficient service at all times but on occasions this may not be possible and **We/They** may fall short of **Your** expectations. If **We** or **They** have not provided **You** with a prompt and efficient service and **You** wish to complain, please contact the **Administrator**.

If **Your** complaint is in relation to the way in which **Your** insurance was sold, the firm that arranged **Your** insurance with **Us** and the **Administrator** will deal with **Your** complaint. The **Administrator** will confirm receipt of **Your** complaint promptly and aim to resolve the problem within 8 weeks.

If, after making a complaint, **You** are unhappy with the final response and **You** are an eligible complainant **You** may wish to contact the Financial Services Ombudsman. **You** have six months from the date of the final response letter to contact them.

Their contact details are:

Financial Ombudsman Service Exchange Tower London E14 9SR

Lo Call: 0300 123 9123 Telephone: 0800 023 4567 Email: <u>complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk</u>

## What To Do If You Have A Complaint (Cont).

The Financial Services Ombudsman decision is binding on **Us** but not **You**. The complaints procedure set out above does not affect **Your** right to take legal action against **Us**, or the **Administrator**.

If **Your** complaint is about Helvetia Swiss Insurance Company in Liechtenstein Ltd. or the **Policy** terms and conditions the **Administrator** may refer **Your** complaint to **Us**.

**We** or the **Administrator** will investigate **Your** complaint and issue a final response letter. **We** can be contacted by email at: <u>partnerbusiness-nl@helvetia.ch</u>.

#### 12. Data Protection.

**We** and BMW Financial Services (GB) Limited trading as ALPHERA Financial Services, need to obtain personal information from **You** to provide **You** with this **Policy** and in connection with the provision of this **Policy**.

We are the Data Controller for the data **You** provide to **Us**. We need to use **Your** data in order to arrange **Your** insurance and associated products. **You** are obliged to provide information without which **We** will be unable to provide a service to **You**. Any personal information provided by **You** may be held by the Insurer in relation to **Your** insurance cover. It may be used by **Our** relevant staff in making a decision concerning **Your** insurance and for the purpose of servicing **Your** cover and administering claims.

Information may be passed to loss adjusters, solicitors, reinsurers or other service providers for these purposes. **We** may obtain information about **You** from credit reference agencies, fraud prevention agencies and others to check **Your** credit status and identity. The agencies will record **Our** enquiries, which may be seen by other companies who make their own credit enquiries. **We** may check **Your** details with fraud prevention agencies. If **You** provide false or inaccurate information and **We** suspect fraud, **We** will record this.

We and other organisations may use these records to:

- (a) Help make decisions on insurance proposals and insurance claims, for You and members of Your household
- (b) Trace debtors, recover debt, prevent fraud, and manage **Your** insurance policies
- (c) Check **Your** identity to prevent money laundering, unless **You** furnish **Us** with satisfactory proof of identity.

We process all data in the European Economic Area (EEA) but where We need to disclose data to parties outside the European Economic Area (EEA), We will take reasonable steps to ensure the privacy of Your data. In order to protect Our legal position, We will retain Your data for a minimum of 7 years. We have a Data Protection regime in place to oversee the effective and secure processing of Your data. Under GDPR legislation, You can ask Us for a copy of the data We hold, have it corrected, sent to a third party or deleted (subject to Our need to hold data for legal reasons). We will not make Your personal details available to any companies to use for their own marketing purposes. If You wish to complain about how We have handled Your data, You can contact Us and We will investigate the matter.

## Data Protection. (Cont).

If **You** require more information or have any questions concerning the **Administrator's** use of **Your** personal data, please contact The Data Protection Officer, Unit 7, Clovelly Business Park, Clovelly Road Southbourne, Hampshire, PO10 8PE or via email at <u>dataprotectionofficer@gardx.co.uk</u>.

To view a copy of the Helvetia Swiss Insurance Company in Liechtenstein Ltd. privacy policy, it can be found at <u>https://www.helvetia.com/privacy</u>.

If **You** are not satisfied with **Our** response or believe **We** are processing **Your** data incorrectly **You** can complain to the Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF Tel: 0303 123 1113.

## 13. Legal, Regulatory And Other.

#### 13.1 Language Applicable to Contract

This contract, all accompanying documents and all communication about it will be in English.

#### 13.2 Governing Law

Unless **You** and **We** both agree otherwise, the law which applies to this insurance is the law applicable to the part of the United Kingdom in which **You** live.

Any legal proceedings between **You** and **Us** in connection with this contract will take place in the courts of the part of the United Kingdom in which **You** live.

#### 13.3 The Insurer's Liability

Helvetia Swiss Insurance Company in Liechtenstein Ltd., whose registered office is at Aeulestrasse 60, FL-9490 Vaduz, Liechtenstein, is authorised and regulated by the Financial Market Authority of the Principality of Liechtenstein (FMA), and subject to limited regulation by the Financial Conduct Authority for the conduct of UK business. **You** can check this on the FCA website at https://register.fca.org.uk.

#### 13.4 Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999

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

#### 13.5 Sanctions

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

#### 13.6 Fraudulent Claims or Misleading Information

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

# Legal, Regulatory And Other (Cont).

#### 13.7 Financial Services Compensation Scheme

The Insurer is covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme, established under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the "Compensation Scheme"). If the Insurer is unable to meet their obligations under this insurance, an Insured Person may be entitled to compensation from the Compensation Scheme.

Further information is available from their website:

www.fscs.org.uk

13.8 Equality Act 2010

In line with the Equality Act 2010, this wording is available in large print upon request.