



# Residential Strata

## PDS & Policy Wording



**STRATA COMMUNITY  
INSURANCE**



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# Product Disclosure Statement

This Product Disclosure Statement (PDS) operates as a PDS under the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth).

The information in this PDS is of a general nature only and has not considered Your objectives, financial situation or needs. Therefore it is important that You read it carefully and in conjunction with the Policy Wording to ensure You have the cover that is right for You.

In this PDS some words that begin with a capital letter have a special meaning and their meaning is defined in General Definitions commencing on page 17.

## Insurer

The Policy is underwritten by Allianz Australia Insurance Limited, ABN 15 000 122 850, AFS Licence No. 234708, of 2 Market Street, Sydney 2000 except for workers compensation cover, if any, in some States in Australia.

When cover for workers compensation is selected by You, and shown as selected, it is provided in those States, as follows:

- (a) in New South Wales, by Allianz Australia Workers Compensation (NSW) Limited ABN 17 003 087 545 - Agent for the NSW WorkCover Scheme ABN 83 564 379 108 of 2 Market Street, Sydney NSW 2000.
- (b) in Victoria by Allianz Australia Workers Compensation (Victoria) Limited ABN 98 059 835 791 - Agent for the Victorian WorkCover Authority ABN 90 296 467 627 of 360 Elizabeth Street, Melbourne, VIC 3000

Please refer to Section 4. No workers compensation cover is provided in Queensland or South Australia.

We have authorised the information contained in this PDS and it is operative from 01 August 2014.

## Authority to act for us

Strata Community Insurance Agencies Pty Ltd ABN 72 165 914 009 (Strata Community Insurance) have been given a binding authority by Us to market, underwrite, settle claims and administer this Policy on Our behalf.

Any matters or enquiries You may have should be directed to them in Your State. The contact details are shown on the back cover of this document.

Under the terms of this binding authority Strata Community Insurance act as Our agent, and not Yours, and liability within the terms and conditions of the Policy remains at all times with Us.

## About Strata Community Insurance Agencies Pty Ltd

Strata Community Insurance is an insurance intermediary and holds an Australian Financial Service licence (AFS Licence No. 457787) to issue and advise on general insurance products. Their founders bring four decades of experience across six different countries and have assembled some of the leading strata insurance experts in this country. Such experience ensures that their products are innovative and provide comprehensive financial protection over Your insurable assets and liabilities.

## What You should read

This Product Disclosure Statement (PDS) is an important document to help You understand this insurance, and Your rights and obligations under it. Please read it carefully before making a decision to purchase this Policy to ensure it provides the cover You need.

You should also carefully read:

- the Policy Wording that commences on page 12. It tells You about:
  - what makes up the insurance (i.e. Your contract with Us which We call a Policy);
  - important definitions that set out what We mean by certain words;
  - the cover We can provide under Sections 1 to 11;
  - what Excesses You may have to pay (see ‘Payment of Excesses’ below);
  - when You are not insured (see General Exclusions and other exclusions under Sections 1 to 11);
  - what You and We need to do in relation to claims (see “Claims procedures” in the Policy Wording and “Claims - basis of settlement” in Sections 1, 7, 8 and 10);
  - Your and Our cancellation rights (see “Cancelling Your Policy” in the Policy Wording).
- the relevant proposal form You, if so requested, need to complete to apply for cover;
- any Schedule (see definition under General Definitions in the Policy Wording) when it is issued to You; and
- any other documents We may give You that vary Our standard terms of cover set out in this document.

## Summary of cover, significant benefits and risks

This Policy includes 11 separate Sections which allow You to select covers, and within each Section there are options which You can also select, subject to Strata Community Insurance agreeing to provide those covers.

The following is a summary only and as such does not form part of the terms of Your insurance. The examples detailed herein are some of the benefits and risks but You do need to read the Policy Wording which details the terms, conditions and exclusions of this insurance to make sure it matches Your expectations.

### Claims Made Notice

Section 6 of the Policy operates on a ‘claims made and notified’ basis. This means that, subject to the provisions of Section 6, where You give notice in writing to Us of any facts that might give rise to a claim against You as soon as reasonably practicable after You become aware of those facts but before the expiry of the Period of Insurance, You may have rights under Section 40(3) of the *Insurance Contracts Act 1984* (Cth) to be indemnified in respect of any claim subsequently made against You arising from those facts notwithstanding that the claim is made after the expiry of the Period of Insurance.

Any such rights arise under the legislation only, in that the terms of the Policy and the effect of the Section, subject to the continuous cover special conditions, is that You are not covered for claims made against You after the expiry of the Period of Insurance.

## What You are covered for / not covered for

### Section 1 - Insured Property

Section 1 covers Loss or Damage to Your Insured Property (Building and Common Area Contents) which occurs during the Period of Insurance and includes additional covers up to specified limits, for example:

#### Under Part A -

- Storm damage to gates and fences;
- Tsunami damage to Your Insured Property;
- architects and professional fees, removal of debris;
- up to \$100,000 for building alterations, additions or renovations;
- up to \$10,000 for an arson, theft, vandalism or malicious damage conviction;
- Fusion of electric motors up to \$5,000;
- up to \$50,000 for rewriting or reconstructing Your records;

#### Under Part B -

- the cost of Temporary Accommodation (Lots occupied by a Lot Owner) and loss of Rent (Common Area and Lots leased to a Tenant);

#### Under Part C -

- up to \$1,500 a Lot for emergency accommodation incurred by Lot Owners and/or Tenants if their Lot becomes unfit for its intended purpose by an insured Event;

- up to \$2,000 a Lot for Lot Owners' contributions, levies, maintenance and other fees if their Lot becomes unfit for its intended purpose by an insured Event;
- up to \$1,000 a Lot for the cost of boarding pets following insured damage.



*Some Events We do not cover include:*

- *Loss or Damage caused by Flood unless You take Optional Cover;*
- *by the sea, high water or tidal wave other than if caused by a Tsunami;*
- *Loss or Damage caused by the invasion of tree or plant roots or the cost of cleaning pipes or drains they block;*
- *Loss or Damage to Your Building directly resulting from alterations, additions or renovations where the value of such work exceeds \$500,000 unless We have otherwise agreed before the commencement of such work.*

## Section 2 - Liability to others

Section 2 covers Your legal liability to others for accidental death, bodily injury, or Loss or Damage to property that happens during the Period of Insurance.

## Section 3 - Voluntary Workers

Section 3 provides benefits that are payable to a Voluntary Worker who sustains bodily injury while engaged in voluntary work or duties for Your Strata Community. These benefits include:

- \$200,000 for death, or loss of the use of two hands, two feet or two eyes;
- \$100,000 for loss of the use of one hand, one foot or one eye;
- up to \$2,000 a week for lost income if totally disabled from engaging in his/her usual employment or business;
- up to \$1,000 a week for lost income if partially disabled from engaging in his/her usual employment or business;
- up to \$500 a week for domestic assistance if totally disabled from engaging in his/her usual employment or business or usual household duties.



*Some Events We do not cover include:*

- *weekly benefits to Voluntary Workers not in receipt of wages, salaries or other remuneration from their own personal exertion;*
- *weekly benefits in excess of 104 weeks for lost income or 10 weeks for domestic assistance;*
- *a Voluntary Worker under the age of 12 years;*
- *intentional self-injury or suicide or any attempt thereof.*

## Section 4 - Workers compensation

Section 4 covers Your legal liability to employees under workers compensation legislation if Your Insured Property is situated in NSW, VIC, NT, ACT, TAS and WA. No workers compensation cover is provided in Queensland or South Australia.

## Section 5 - Fidelity guarantee

Section 5 provides cover against the fraudulent misappropriation of Your Funds.

## Section 6 - Office bearers liability

Section 6 covers the legal liability of Strata Community office holders and committee members for any wrongful act they commit. This Section is issued on a claims made basis which means it responds to claims first made against You during the Period of Insurance and notified to Us during that same period.

## Section 7 - Machinery breakdown

Section 7 provides cover against the breakdown of electrical, electronic and mechanical plant.

## Section 8 - Catastrophe insurance

Section 8 covers the unforeseen increase in the Replacement cost of Your Building following the happening of a catastrophe from an event for which the Insurance Council of Australia issues a catastrophe code.

Other benefits include:

- extended period of cover for loss of Rent;
- extended period of cover and escalation in the cost of Temporary Accommodation;
- removal and storage of Your undamaged Insured Property;
- cost of evacuation for resident Lot Owners.



*We do not cover Loss or Damage from any Event which is not claimable under Section 1.*

## Section 9 - Government audit costs and legal expenses

Section 9 provides cover for:

**Part A** - the cost of professional fees if You are audited by the Australian Tax Office or another government organisation;

**Part B** - the cost of appealing against common property health and safety breaches;

**Part C** - the cost of defending specific litigation (see pages 46-49) brought against You other than as covered under Sections 2 and 6. A special Excess and contribution payment applies to Part C and You should refer to the examples contained on page 47.

### Section 10 – Lot Owners' fixtures and fittings

Lot Owners occasionally replace existing or install additional fixtures and fittings in their Lot without Your Strata Community knowledge.

When this occurs the cost of these improvements may not be included when arriving at the building replacement cost, thus increasing the possibility of under-insurance in the event of a major loss.

This Section 10 covers the Replacement cost of such installations following Loss or Damage covered under Section 1. There is a limit to the amount We pay (up to 10% of the Sum Insured) and the cover is also subject to the terms, conditions and exclusions of Section 1 and the General Exclusions.

### Section 11 - Loss of Lot market value

Section 11 covers the reduction in the market value of a Lot or Lots following a total loss or constructive total loss, or partial loss of Your Insured Property when permission to rebuild is limited or restricted by any Public or Statutory Authority that results in all or some Lot titles being terminated.

Please read the appropriate Sections in the Policy Wording for full details of the terms, conditions, exclusions and limits that apply to all sections and how We settle claims.

## Other important information

Some other important things to remember are:

- Keep records such as receipts, invoices or other evidence of ownership and value of property that You insure as proof of ownership and value should You have to make a claim.
- When Your Insured Property is a total loss and We have paid out the total Sum Insured, the cover under Section 1 ceases. If You rebuild or replace Your Insured Property, You will need to take out new cover and pay the applicable Premium.
- Pay Your Premium on time because if it is not paid by the due date You may not have cover and Your Policy may be cancelled. If Your payment is dishonoured You may not have cover and Your Policy may be cancelled. Strata Community Insurance will give You written notice of cancellation.
- Throughout the Period of Insurance and when renewing Your insurance with Us You must advise if circumstances relevant to Your Policy have changed. Strata Community Insurance will notify You in writing of any effect a change may have on Your existing insurance or its renewal.

Further We may also cancel Your Policy as permitted by law or refuse to pay or reduce the amount We pay under a claim if You:

- do not comply with the cover conditions as detailed in the Policy Wording;

- do not comply with Your duty of disclosure; or
- make a fraudulent claim.

## Monetary limits on cover

We can insure You up to the amount of the Sum Insured or other specified limits for Your Insured Property. These amounts are specified in the relevant clauses in the Policy Wording or on the Schedule.

Covers for Liability to others, Office Bearers Liability, Machinery Breakdown and Government Audit Costs and Legal Expenses insure You up to a set Sum Insured that is shown on the Schedule.

## Review Your sums insured regularly

You need to make sure You are happy with the relevant sum(s) insured and limits.

If You do not adequately insure yourself You may have to bear the uninsured proportion of any loss yourself.

For example, if You don't have a sufficient Sum Insured to replace Your Insured Property at new cost You will bear the shortfall. The cost of demolition and removal of debris from the site, and other costs such as the cost of employing an architect or surveyor, the replacement of other structures such as driveways, roadways, kerbing, above and below ground services should all be included in the Sum Insured. If You are unsure whether Your Insured Property is insured for the correct amount, You should seek professional advice.

You should also advise Strata Community Insurance of any changes in the details of the information You have given Us such as alterations or extensions to Your Insured Property. If You do not do so Your insurance may not be sufficient.

## Payment of Excesses

Excesses may apply to any claim under this insurance.

An Excess is an amount You may have to pay each time You make a claim under this insurance policy. The Excesses that are applicable are shown on the Schedule, and/or within the relevant Sections.

An Excess will be applied for each incident where a claim is made.

We will tell You the amount of any Excess when You apply for cover. They may vary according to a number of factors, such as Your risk location and Your insurance history.

## Goods and Services Tax (GST) Notice

The Policy Wording part has provisions relating to GST that You should read in full (see Goods and Services Tax on page 15). In summary, they are as follows:



- The amount of Premium payable by You for this Policy includes an amount on account of the GST on the Premium (including any administration fee charged by Strata Community Insurance).
- The Sum Insured and other limits of insurance cover shown on Your Policy documentation are GST inclusive.
- When We pay a claim, Your GST status will determine the maximum amount We pay You.

There may be other taxation implications affecting You, depending upon Your own circumstances. We recommend that You seek professional advice.

## Applying for cover

When You apply for cover under this Policy We may, based on the information You provide, be able to offer cover and terms specific to You. Once We have agreed to cover You We will issue You with a Schedule confirming this, including the following information:

- the Sum Insured and Situation of Your Insured Property;
- Excess(es) applicable;
- Premium including taxes and charges and any administration fee charged by Strata Community Insurance.

## The cost of this insurance

In order to calculate Your Premium, We take various factors into consideration, including:

- the cover required and sum(s) insured;
- the address of Your Insured Property;
- Your insurance history;
- the security features of Your Insured Property.

The Premium also includes amounts payable in respect of compulsory government charges including Stamp Duty, GST, any Fire Service Levy (where applicable) and Strata Community Insurance's administration fee (see their Financial Services Guide for details).

When You apply for this insurance, You will be advised of the Premium. If You choose to effect cover, the amount will be set out on the Schedule.

## Cooling off period

You have twenty-one (21) days after buying or renewing Your Policy to decide if it meets Your needs and You wish to continue with the insurance. If You notify Us in writing within this period that You wish to cancel Your Policy as from its start date, We will refund Your Premium less any government taxes or duties that are non-refundable or remain payable by Us but We will not refund any policy administration or instalment fees.

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

Even after the cooling off period ends You still have cancellation rights, however We may deduct certain amounts from any refund (see "Cancelling Your Policy" in the Policy Wording).

## Your duty of disclosure

Before You enter into a contract of general insurance with Us, You have a duty, under the Insurance Contracts Act 1984, to disclose to Us every matter that You know, or could reasonably be expected to know, is relevant to Our decision whether to accept the risk of the insurance and, if so, on what terms.

You have the same duty to disclose those matters to Us before You renew, extend, vary or reinstate a contract of general insurance.

This duty of disclosure applies until the contract is entered into (or renewed, extended, varied or reinstated as applicable).

Your duty however does not require disclosure of any matter:

- that diminishes the risk to be undertaken by Us; or
- that is of common knowledge; or
- that We know or, in the ordinary course of Our business as an insurer, ought to know; or
- as to which compliance with Your duty is waived by Us.

### Non-disclosure

If You fail to comply with Your duty of disclosure, We may be entitled to reduce Our liability under the contract in respect of a claim, cancel the contract, or both.

If Your non-disclosure is fraudulent, We may also have the option of avoiding the contract from its beginning.

## The General Insurance Code of Practice

The General Insurance Code of Practice (Code) was developed by the Insurance Council of Australia, and aims to:

- promote better and more informed relations between insurers and their customers;
- improve consumer confidence in the general insurance industry;
- provide better 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.

We are a signatory to the Code and, together with Strata Community Insurance, keenly support the standards set out in the Code.

You can obtain more information on the Code and how it assists You by contacting Strata Community Insurance or by visiting [www.codeofpractice.com.au](http://www.codeofpractice.com.au).

## How to make a claim

You should contact Strata Community Insurance as soon as possible to advise of any incident that could lead to a claim.

Having the required documentation and if possible photographs of the items will assist in having Your claim assessed and settled.

### When You make a claim You must:

- provide details of the incident and when requested complete the claim form We send You;
- allow Us or Strata Community Insurance to inspect Your Insured Property and take possession of any damaged item;
- take all reasonable steps to reduce the Loss or Damage and prevent further Loss or Damage;
- inform the police immediately following theft, vandalism, malicious damage or misappropriation of money or property;
- not dispose of any damaged items without first obtaining approval from Us or Strata Community Insurance; and
- not get repairs done, except for essential temporary repairs, until We or Strata Community Insurance give You authority and subject to Our and Strata Community Insurance's right to choose the repairer or supplier.

These are only some of the things that You must do if making a claim. Please refer to "Claims procedures" in the Policy Wording part which sets out claims information and what You must do if making a claim.

## Dispute resolution process

Both We and Strata Community Insurance have complaints handling and internal dispute resolution procedures and this service is available to You free of charge. If You would like to make a complaint please contact Us or Strata Community Insurance and ask to speak to a dispute resolution specialist.

We will respond to Your complaint within fifteen (15) working days and if You are not satisfied with Our answer We will treat Your complaint as a dispute. The matter will then be referred to Our Internal Disputes Resolution section and they will respond to You within fifteen (15) working days.

If You are still not happy with the outcome You may have Your matter referred to the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS). The FOS provides a free and independent dispute resolution service for consumers who have general insurance disputes falling within its terms of reference.

Determinations of the FOS are binding on Us and Strata Community Insurance but are not binding on You.

Contact details for the FOS are:

The Financial Ombudsman Service Limited

**Phone:** 1300 78 08 08

**Post:** GPO Box 3, Melbourne VIC 3001

**Website:** [www.fos.org.au](http://www.fos.org.au)

## Privacy Act information

Both We and Strata Community Insurance are committed to safeguarding Your personal information in a responsible manner and in accordance with the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth). The following is a summary of the ways the privacy of Your personal information is protected.

Further information is available in Our Privacy Policy available at <http://www.allianz.com.au> and the Strata Community Insurance Privacy Policy available at <http://www.stratacommunityinsure.com.au>.

### How We Collect Your Personal Information

We and Strata Community Insurance usually collect Your personal information from You or Your agents. We may also collect it from Our or Strata Community Insurance's agents and service providers; other insurers and insurance reference bureaus; people who are involved in a claim or assisting in investigating or processing claims, including third parties claiming under Your Policy, witnesses and medical practitioners; third parties who may be arranging insurance cover for a group that You are a part of; law enforcement, dispute resolution, statutory and regulatory bodies; marketing lists and industry databases; and publicly available sources.

### Why We Collect Your Personal Information

We and Strata Community Insurance collect Your personal information to enable the provision of products and services, including assessing applications for insurance, administering insurance policies, and to process and settle claims; offer Our and Strata Community Insurance's products and services and those of related companies, brokers, intermediaries and business partners that may interest You; and conduct market or customer research to determine those products or services that may suit You. You can choose not to receive such product or service offerings by:

- calling the Allianz Direct Marketing Privacy Service Line on 1300 360 529, EST 8am to 6pm Monday to Friday, or going to Our website's Privacy section at [www.allianz.com.au](http://www.allianz.com.au); or
- with respect to Strata Community Insurance, contacting them using the details on the back cover of this document.

If You do not provide Your personal information, We and Strata Community Insurance may be unable to provide these products and services.

### Who We Disclose Your Personal Information To

We and Strata Community Insurance may disclose Your personal information to others with whom We or Strata Community Insurance have business arrangements for the purposes listed in the paragraph above or to enable them to offer their products and services to You. These parties may include insurers, intermediaries, reinsurers, insurance reference bureaus, related companies, advisers, persons involved in claims, external claims data collectors and verifiers. Disclosure may also be made to parties listed as co-insured on Your Policy, family members or agents authorised by You, government, law enforcement, dispute resolution, statutory or regulatory bodies, or as required by law.

### Disclosure Overseas

Your personal information may be disclosed to other companies in the Allianz Group, business partners, reinsurers and service providers that may be located in Australia or overseas. The countries this information may be disclosed to will vary from time to time, but may include Canada, Germany, New Zealand, United Kingdom, United States of America and other countries where the Allianz Group has a presence or engages subcontractors. We and Strata Community Insurance regularly review the security of systems used for sending personal information overseas. Any information disclosed may only be used for the purposes of collection detailed above and system administration.

### Access to Your Personal Information and Complaints

You may ask for access to the personal information both We and Strata Community Insurance hold about You and seek correction by:

- calling Us on 1300 360 529 EST 8am-6pm, Monday to Friday; or
- with respect to Strata Community Insurance, contacting them using the details on the back cover of this document.

Our and Strata Community Insurance's Privacy Policies contain details about how You may make a complaint about a breach of the privacy principles contained in the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth) and how Your complaints will be dealt with.

### Telephone Call Recording

We and Strata Community Insurance may record incoming and/or outgoing telephone calls for training or verification purposes. Where Your telephone call is recorded, You can be provided with a copy at Your request, where it is reasonable to do so.

## Updating Our Product Disclosure Statement

Information in the PDS may need to be updated from time to time. Strata Community Insurance will provide You with a new PDS, Supplementary PDS or other compliant document to update the relevant information except in limited cases. Where the information is not correcting a misleading or deceptive statement or omission, or is not something that would be materially adverse from the point of view of a reasonable person considering whether to buy this insurance, Strata Community Insurance may provide You with notice of this information in other forms or keep an internal record of such changes. A copy of any updated information is available to You at no cost by calling Strata Community Insurance.

Other documents may form part of the PDS and if they do We will tell You in the relevant document.

## Financial Claims Scheme

This Policy is a protected policy under the Financial Claims Scheme (FCS), which protects certain insured's and claimants in the event of an insurer becoming insolvent and being unable to meet their obligations under a contract of insurance. In the unlikely event of Us becoming insolvent, a person entitled to claim under the Policy may be entitled to payment under the FCS provided they meet the eligibility criteria.

More information about the FCS may be obtained from the APRA website at <http://www.apra.gov.au> and the APRA hotline on 1300 55 88 49.

## Further information and confirmation of transactions

If You have any queries, need to clarify any of the information contained in this document or wish to confirm any transaction under Your insurance, please contact Strata Community Insurance using the contact details shown on the back cover of this document. If You need to contact Us, Our address is shown under the 'Insurer' part of this PDS.



# Policy Wording: Residential Strata Community

## Important information

It is very important that You read the Policy carefully and make sure You are satisfied with this insurance.

## What makes up this Policy

This Policy Wording, the Schedule and any Endorsements:

- must be read together as they form Your insurance contract;
- set out what You are insured for and those circumstances where You will not be insured.

Some words and expressions have been given a specific meaning in this Policy and You will find their meaning in the General Definitions and individual Section Special Definitions.

## Payment of Premium

Provided We receive the Premium, We will insure You as set out in this Policy and the Schedule.

You may elect to pay Your Premium annually in one payment or by instalments.

## Payment by Instalment

When You elect to pay Your Premium by instalments by way of a direct debit from Your credit card or financial institution these payments will be deducted on the date or frequency nominated. You must tell Us, not later than seven (7) days before Your next instalment is due, if these details change.

If You do not do so We may not pay a claim under this Policy if, at the time the claim occurred, any instalment of Premium has remained unpaid for more than 31 days.

If Your credit card provider or financial institution dishonours a direct debit payment due to lack of funds in Your account, or any other reason. We may charge You for any direct and indirect costs that We incur arising from Your payment being dishonoured.

Further if any instalment remains unpaid for 31 days We may cancel this Policy. We will do so by sending You notice confirming the action We intend to take and when such cancellation will become effective.

## Adjustments on renewal

### Notice

At least fourteen (14) days before Your Policy expires, We will send You a renewal Schedule detailing any changes to Your Sums Insured, Premium and charges, and if any, changes to the terms, conditions and Excesses that previously applied.

You should carefully check all these details and promptly advise Strata Community Insurance if You wish to vary any of the limits.

## Indexation

If Your Insured Property suffers Loss or Damage during the Period of Insurance We will increase Your Sum Insured under **Section 1 Part A - 1** and **2** by reference to the Cordell Housing Index Price (CHIP) increase since the start date of the current Period of Insurance.

On renewal We will increase Your Sums Insured under **Section 1 Parts A** and **B** and **Section 8** by reference to the Cordell Housing Index Price (CHIP) increase during Your previous Period of Insurance.

The renewal Schedule We send You will show Your updated Sums Insured and the Premium applicable thereto. You should promptly advise Strata Community Insurance should You wish to vary these updated Sums Insured.



*Indexation does not apply:*

- i. *if Your Sums Insured under **Section 1 Parts A and B** and **Section 8** exceed \$100,000,000 in total;*
- ii. *to any other policy limit contained in **Sections 1 and 8**.*

## Instalment payments

If paying by instalments, We will automatically continue Your cover on the terms contained in the renewal offer We send You. We will, unless You advise Us to the contrary, continue to deduct Your instalment payments during the next Period of Insurance.

If a claim occurs in the previous Period of Insurance and You do not notify Us until after the Premium and other conditions for the next Period of Insurance are determined We may require You to pay an additional Premium. This condition does not affect any other rights that We have, including the rights We have under Your duty of disclosure.

## Loyalty discount

Based on Your claims experience and the length of time Your Policy has been continuously insured with Us You may be entitled to a loyalty discount which will apply automatically to the base premium. The amount of Your discount will vary depending on how long You have held a continuously insured claims free Policy with Us. The discount will only apply to the extent any minimum premium is not reached. Your Schedule will show when You qualify for a loyalty discount.

## You must disclose all previous claims

You are asked at the time You take out this insurance to give Us full and correct details concerning any:

- renewal or insurance Policy declined, cancelled or refused, or where any Excess was imposed;
- claim refused by an insurer;
- claim made;

in relation to You because any of these may affect the Premium and extent of insurance.

For example We may be entitled to:

- charge You an additional Premium;
- impose (back dated) restrictions declining Your insurance back to when this information should have been advised to Us;
- decline to insure You;
- refuse a claim.

When renewing Your Policy with Us You must also advise Us of any changes to Your claims or insurance history. We will notify You in writing of the effect a change may have on Your renewal.

## Claims procedures

### 1. What You must do

As soon as You discover that something has happened that is likely to result in a claim, You must:

- (a) take all reasonable steps to reduce Loss or Damage and to prevent any further Loss or Damage;
- (b) inform the police immediately following theft, vandalism, malicious or intentional damage, or misappropriation of money or property.

### 2. What You must not do

Whatever the circumstances You must not:

- (a) admit guilt or fault (except in court or to the Police);
- (b) admit or deny liability if an incident occurs which is likely to result in someone claiming against You for something We insure;
- (c) offer or negotiate to pay a claim;
- (d) dispose of any damaged items without first seeking Our approval.

### 3. How to make a claim

When You make a claim You must:

- (a) promptly inform Strata Community Insurance by telephone, in writing or in person. If Your notification is late and results in higher costs for Us or harms Our investigation opportunities Our liability may be reduced and it may even be reduced to nil;
- (b) provide details of what has occurred and when requested complete and return Our claim form promptly together with all letters, documents, valuations, receipts or evidence of ownership that You have been asked to provide;
- (c) provide written statements under oath if We require it;
- (d) be interviewed about the circumstances of the claim, if We require this;
- (e) allow Us to inspect Your Insured Property and take possession of any damaged item to deal with it in a reasonable way;

- (f) provide Us as soon as possible with every notice or communication received concerning a claim by another person or concerning any prosecution, inquest or other official inquiry arising from the Event.

#### 4. Approval needed for repairs

You are not authorised to commence repairs without Our approval except for essential temporary repairs permitted under Event 1) h) of **Part A of Section 1**,

#### 5. Repairs or Replacement

We have the right to nominate the repairer or supplier to be used. If after We have assessed Your claim, You are required to enter into a contract with a third party to replace or reinstate Loss or Damage to Insured Property that We have agreed to pay You will enter into that agreement with the third party as Our agent unless We otherwise advise in writing.

#### 6. You must assist Us

Before We will pay anything under this Policy, You must:

- (a) comply with all the requirements of this Policy;
- (b) give Us all information and assistance which We reasonably require in relation to the claim and any proceedings; and
- (c) allow Us access to any and all documents that We reasonably require to ascertain the maintenance history of the Building.

#### 7. False or misleading information

We may deny part or all of Your claim if You are not truthful and frank in any statement You make in connection with a claim or if a claim is fraudulent or false in any respect.

We may also report any suspected fraudulent act to the Police for further investigation.

#### 8. Claim administration and legal proceedings

When a claim is admitted under this Policy, We have the right at Our discretion to exercise all Your legal rights relating to the claim and to do so in Your name.

We will take full control of the administration, conduct or settlement of the claim including any recovery or defence that We may consider is necessary.

#### 9. Salvage value

We are entitled to any salvage value on recovered items and damaged items that have been replaced.

#### 10. Contribution

Where a claim covered under this Policy is also insured elsewhere, We may exercise Our right to seek contribution from the other insurer or insurers.

## Acts or omissions of Your Strata Community Manager

We will not deny liability for a claim, or reduce the amount of a claim, if Our right of denial or reduction is solely caused by an act, error or omission of Your Strata Community Manager while acting on Your behalf.

## Cancelling Your Policy

- (a) You may cancel all or part of this Policy at any time by giving Us notice in writing.
- (b) We may cancel this Policy on any of the grounds set out in the *Insurance Contracts Act 1984* (Cth) and We will always tell You of this in writing.
- (c) When We have agreed to accept payment of Premium by instalments We may cancel this Policy if at least one instalment remains unpaid in excess of 31 days from the date on which it was due and payable.
- (d) On cancellation, a refund of Premium will be calculated equal to the unexpired period of this Policy less any administration fee and any non-refundable Government charges and any component of the Premium relating to levies where applicable.
- (e) Where We have paid the total Sum Insured on a claim under any Section, that Section of Your Policy with Us is deemed to have been fulfilled and there is no refund of any Premium.

## Goods and Services Tax (GST) Notice

The amount of Premium payable by You for this Policy includes an amount on account of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on the Premium.

When We pay a claim, Your GST status will determine the amount We pay.

When You are:

- (a) not registered for GST:
  - We will pay up to the Sum Insured, limit of indemnity or other Policy limit including GST.
- (b) registered for GST:
  - (i) and We have arranged services directly with the service provider, We will pay up to the relevant Sum Insured or other policy limit including GST
  - (ii) when We settle direct with You We will pay up to the Sum Insured, limit of indemnity or other Policy limit and where You are liable to pay an amount for GST in respect of an acquisition relevant to Your claim We will pay for the GST amount but We will reduce the GST amount We pay by the amount of any Input Tax Credits to which You are or would be entitled.

You must advise Us of Your correct Australian Business Number and Input Tax Credit Entitlement. Any GST liability arising from Your incorrect advice is payable by You.

Where the settlement of Your claim is less than the Sum Insured or the other limits of insurance cover, We will only pay an amount for GST (less Your entitlement for Input Tax Credit) applicable to the settlement. This means that if these amounts are not sufficient to cover Your loss, We will only pay the GST relating to Our settlement of the claim.

GST, Input Tax Credit (ITC), Business Activity Statement (BAS) and Acquisition have the same meaning as given to those expressions in A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999 and related legislation as amended from time to time.

Input Tax Credit Entitlement is Your entitlement to an Input Tax Credit on Your Premium as a percentage of the total GST on that Premium.

## General conditions - which apply to all Sections unless otherwise stated

### 1. Alteration of risk

You must promptly advise Us of any changes in the details of the information You have given Us, or if the nature of the occupation or other circumstances affecting Your Insured Property are changed in such a way as to increase the risk of Loss or Damage or the likelihood of liability losses.

If You do not do so We may not be liable for any loss, damage or liability caused or contributed to by any such change or alteration.

### 2. Excess

You must pay or contribute the amount of any Excess shown in this Policy or on the Schedule in accordance with the relevant Section. Payment of the Excess may be requested when the claim is lodged, or may be deducted from Our payment.

Any Excess applying to Loss or Damage caused by an earthquake or seismological disturbance that occurs during any one period of seventy two (72) consecutive hours will be considered as one Event and not within the period of any previous Event.

Should more than one Excess be payable for any claim under this Policy arising from the one Event, such Excesses will not be aggregated and the highest single level of Excess only will apply.

### 3. Joint insureds, interested parties

(a) When more than one party is named on the Schedule as an insured We will treat each as a separate and distinct party. The words You, Your, Yours will apply to each party in the same manner as if a separate Policy had been issued to each party;

(b) When any other party or entity has a legal insurable interest in Your Insured Property duly notated in Your records We will treat each party or entity as a third party beneficiary without notification or specification provided such interest is fully disclosed to Us in the event of Loss or Damage;

provided that as regards both a) and b) Our liability for any Sum Insured or other Policy limit for any one Event is not thereby increased.

Any act, breach or non-compliance with the terms and conditions of this Policy committed by any one such party or third party beneficiary:

- (a) shall not be prejudicial to the rights and entitlements of the other insured party(ies) or third party beneficiaries; provided that
- (b) the other insured party(ies) or third party beneficiaries upon becoming aware of any such act, breach or non-compliance which increases the risk of loss, damage or liability give Us written notice within a reasonable time.

### 4. Reinstatement of Sum Insured

After We have admitted liability for a claim We will:

- (a) for claims up to ten percent (10%) of Your Sum Insured:
  - (i) automatically reinstate Your Sum Insured and/or other limits to their pre-loss amount without charge;
- (b) for claims in excess of ten percent (10%) of Your Sum Insured:
  - (i) automatically reinstate Your Sum Insured and/or other limits to their pre-loss amount, however We may at Our option charge an additional Premium based on the amount of the claim and the unexpired term of the Policy.



*This condition does not apply:*

- (a) *when We pay a total loss or constructive total loss;*
- (b) *when We pay the full Sum Insured;*
- (c) *to Section 1; Part A Events 7), 20), and 22) Part B Event 4), and Part C Event 7);*
- (d) *to Sections 6 and 9.*



## General exclusions - what is not insured under any Section

*We will not pay for any loss, damage, benefit, legal liability, compensation, or any other loss, costs, fees, charges or expenses of whatsoever kind, arising directly or indirectly from or in any way connected with:*



## 1. Act of Terrorism

any Act of Terrorism where such act:

- (a) is directly or indirectly caused by, contributed to by, resulting from, or arising out of or in connection with biological, chemical, or nuclear weapons, pollution or contamination; or
- (b) is directly or indirectly caused by, contributed to by, resulting from, or arising out of or in connection with any action taken in controlling, preventing, suppressing, retaliating against or responding to an Act of Terrorism.

## 2. Electronic Data

- (a) total or partial destruction, distortion, erasure, corruption, alteration, misinterpretation or the misappropriation of Electronic Data,
- (b) error in creating, amending, entering, deleting or using Electronic Data, or
- (c) total or partial inability or failure to receive, send, access or use Electronic Data for any time or at all.

However cover is otherwise provided by this Policy for losses to Electronic Data arising out of fire, lightning, thunderbolt, explosion, implosion, earthquake, subterranean fire, volcanic eruption, impact, aircraft and/or other aerial device and/or articles dropped therefrom, sonic boom, theft which is a consequence of theft of any computer and/or computer hardware and/or firmware and/or microchip and/or integrated circuit and/or similar device containing such Electronic Data, breakage of glass, the acts of persons taking part in riots or civil commotions or of strikers or of locked out workers or of persons taking part in labour disturbances which do not assume the proportions of or amount to an uprising, Storm, Rainwater, water and/or other liquids and/or substances discharged and/or overflowing and/or leaking from any apparatus and/or appliance and/or pipes.

## 3. Intentional damage

any deliberate or intentional damage or liability or omission caused or incurred by You or by any person acting with Your express or implied consent unless for the purpose of preventing or eliminating danger to Insured Property or persons.

## 4. Nuclear

ionising radiation from, or contamination by radio-activity from,

- (a) any nuclear fuel or nuclear waste or
- (b) the combustion of nuclear fuel (including any self-sustaining process of nuclear fission), or
- (c) nuclear weapons material.

## 5. War

war or warlike activities including invasion, act of a foreign enemy, hostilities (whether war is declared or

not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, use of military or usurped power, looting, sacking or pillage following any of these, or the expropriation of property.

## 6. Lawful seizure

the lawful seizure, detention, confiscation, nationalisation or requisition of the Insured Property.

## General definitions - the meaning of some words

The words listed below have been given a specific meaning in this Policy and these specific meanings apply when the words begin with a capital letter.

There are other definitions that are specific to individual **Sections** and these appear in the relevant Section.

### Act of Terrorism

means any act, or preparation in respect of action, or threat of action designed to influence the government de jure or de facto of any nation or any political division thereof, or in pursuit of political, religious, ideological or similar purposes to intimidate the public or a section of the public of any nation by any person or group(s) of persons whether acting alone or on behalf of or in connection with any organisation(s) or government(s) de jure or de facto, and which:

- (a) involves violence against one or more persons; or
- (b) involves damage to property; or
- (c) endangers life other than that of the person committing the action; or
- (d) creates a risk to health or safety of the public or a section of the public; or
- (e) is designed to interfere with or to disrupt an electronic system.

### Agreed Value

means the Sum Insured shown on Your Schedule for **Section 1** at the time of Loss or Damage that results in all or some Lot Titles being terminated.

### Common Area

means the area at Your Situation that is not part of any Lot or is identified as common.

### Depreciation

means the reduction in the value of the item due to Wear and Tear.

### Earth Movement

means heavage, landslide, land-slippage, mudslide, settling, shrinkage, subsidence or collapse.

### Electronic Data

means any facts, concepts and/or information converted to a form usable for communications and/or displays and/or distribution and/or processing by electronic and/or electromechanical data processing and/or electronically controlled equipment that includes but is not limited to programs and/or software and/or other coded instructions for such equipment.

### Endorsement

means a written alteration to the terms, conditions, exclusions and limits of this Policy that are shown on and form part of the Schedule.

### Erosion

means being worn or washed away by water, ice or wind.

### Event(s)

means a happening or an incident not intended to happen that occurs during a particular interval of time, or a series of happenings or incidents consequent upon or attributable thereto, which causes or results in Loss or Damage or a legal liability to pay compensation which is claimable under this Policy.

### Excess

means the amount You must pay towards each and every claim arising out of one Event or occurrence. You will find the amount of any Excess shown on the Schedule or within the Policy.

### Floating Floors

means engineered, laminated, veneered or similar (pre-finished) type flooring not fixed or attached to the sub-floor but held in position by its own weight and/or skirting boards at perimeter walls.

### Flood

means the covering of normally dry land by water that has escaped or been released from the normal confines of any of the following:

- (a) a lake (whether or not it has been altered or modified);
- (b) a river (whether or not it has been altered or modified);
- (c) a creek (whether or not it has been altered or modified);
- (d) another natural watercourse (whether or not it has been altered or modified);
- (e) a reservoir;
- (f) a canal;
- (g) a dam.

### Fusion

means the process of fusing or melting together the windings of an electric motor following damage to the insulating material as a result of overheating caused by electric current.

### Indemnity Value

means the cost to rebuild, replace or repair property to a condition that is equivalent to or substantially the same as but not better nor more extensive than its condition at the time of loss taking into consideration age, condition and remaining useful life.

### Insured Property

#### (a) Building

Building means:

building or buildings as defined by the Strata Schemes Management Act, Strata Titles Act, Community Titles Act or similar legislation applying where Your Building is situated, including:

- (i) outbuildings;
- (ii) fixtures and structural improvements including fencing, gates, paths and roadways, retaining walls, awnings, external blinds and signs;
- (iii) tennis courts, in-ground swimming pools and spas;
- (iv) fixed or built in plant, equipment and appliances;
- (v) floor coverings but excluding carpets (whether fixed or un-fixed) and Floating Floors;
- (vi) marinas, wharves, jetties, docks, pontoons, swimming platforms, or similar type facilities (whether fixed or floating) that are used for non-commercial purposes and that do not provide fuel distribution facilities, unless You advise Us and We otherwise agree in writing;
- (vii) satellite dishes, radio, television and other antennas including their associated wiring, masts, footings, foundations, moorings and towers;
- (viii) underground and overhead services;
- (ix) unfixed building materials and uninstalled fittings that are to be fitted to Your Insured Property but limited to an amount not exceeding 10% of the Sum Insured for Insured Property, or \$100,000, whichever is the lesser.

#### (b) Common Area Contents

Common Area Contents means (but not so as to limit the generality thereof):

- (i) furniture, furnishings, household goods, light fittings, internal blinds, curtains, unfixed artwork, curios, fire extinguishers and the like;
- (ii) freestanding appliances such as refrigerators, freezers, washing machines and dryers, other electrical items;

- (iii) carpets (whether fixed or unfixed), floor rugs and Floating Floors;
- (iv) computers, electronic equipment and office equipment;
- (v) swimming pools or spas that are not in-ground including their covers and accessories;
- (vi) wheelchairs, garden equipment including lawn mowers, golf carts, golf buggies or other similar type items but only if such item is not required to be registered;

that You own or have legal responsibility for:

- at, in or adjacent to Your Situation, or
- temporarily removed elsewhere in Australia including transit to and from Your Situation.



*Building and Common Area Contents do not include:*

- *aircraft, caravans, trailers, Vehicles (other than garden appliances not required to be registered), hovercraft and Watercraft including their accessories or spare parts whether fitted or not;*
- *damage to internal paintwork and wallpapering of Lots in New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory unless You include Optional Cover 3 of Section 1;*
- *livestock, fish, birds or other animals;*
- *Lot Owners' Contents and any other personal property of theirs;*
- *Lot Owners' Floating Floors installed within their Lot unless You include Optional Cover 2 of Section 1;*
- *money, other than as covered under Event 14 of Part A of Section 1;*
- *plants, hedges, trees, shrubs, gravel, shale, stones, clay or soil on paths or driveways or tennis courts, soil or bark or mulch in gardens other than as covered under Event 3 of Part B of Section 1;*
- *temporary wall, floor and ceiling coverings within a Lot;*
- *mobile or fixed air-conditioning units servicing an individual Lot (Queensland).*

Where anything in this definition of 'Insured Property' is contrary to the Strata Schemes Management Act, Strata Titles Act, Community Titles Act or similar legislation applying where Your Building is situated the requirements of Your Act will apply.

#### **Land Value**

means the sum certified by the Valuer General as being the value of the land at the Situation after due allowance has been made for variations or other special circumstances affecting such value either before or after the damage and which would have affected the value had damage not occurred.

#### **Loss or Damage**

means direct physical loss of, destruction of, or damage to property from any sudden and accidental cause not otherwise excluded by this Policy.

#### **Lot**

means an area shown on a plan as a Lot in terms of the Strata Schemes Management Act, Strata Titles Act, Community Titles Act or similar legislation applying where Your Insured Property is situated.

#### **Lot Owners(')**

means a person, persons or other entity registered as a proprietor or owner of a Lot in Your Building in terms of the Strata Schemes Management Act, Strata Titles Act, Community Titles Act or similar legislation applying where Your Insured Property is situated.

#### **Lot Owners' Contents**

means (but not so as to limit the generality thereof):

- (a) freestanding appliances such as dishwashers, washing machines and dryers;
- (b) computers, electronic and electrical equipment, garden equipment;
- (c) Lot Owners' business and personal effects, furniture, furnishings, carpets, floor rugs and Floating Floors installed within their Lot.

#### **Lot Owners' Fixtures and Improvements**

means any fixture or structural improvement installed by a Lot Owner for their exclusive use and which is permanently attached to or fixed to Your Insured Property so as to become legally part of it, including any improvements made to an existing fixture or structure.

#### **Members**

means and is limited to the interest of Proprietors, Members, Lot Owners or Shareholders in respect of the ownership of Your Insured Property in terms of the Strata Schemes Management Act, Strata Titles Act, Community Titles Act or similar legislation applying where Your Insured Property is situated. Their interest or liability as an owner and/or occupier of a Lot is not included unless otherwise specifically provided by this Policy.

#### **Period of Insurance**

means the period that You are insured. The commencement and expiry dates are shown on the Schedule.

#### **Policy**

means this Policy Wording, the Schedule (including any issued in substitution) and any Endorsements attaching to

or contained within those documents and which will be the legal contract between You and Us.

### **Premium**

means any amount We require You to pay under the Policy. Government charges and/or levies will be added at the prevailing rate and separately identified on the Schedule.

### **Rainwater**

means the rain that falls naturally from the sky. It includes Rainwater run-off over the surface of the land but not Flood.

### **Rent**

means, as regards any Lot or part of Your Common Area leased to a Tenant, an amount of money calculated on the basis of the annual rentable value (including any 'outgoings' payable by a Tenant or lessee) that applied immediately prior to the happening of Loss or Damage less any commission or charges You are not required to pay to a letting or rental collection agent.

### **Replacement**

means:

- (a) the reasonable cost of rebuilding, replacing or repairing Your Insured Property to a condition which is equivalent to or substantially the same as but not better nor more extensive than when it was new; and
- (b) the extra costs necessarily incurred to:
  - (i) alter or upgrade Your Insured Property to comply with Public, Statutory or Environmental Protection Authority requirements;
  - (ii) flush out the air in the repaired, replaced, or rebuilt Insured Property with 100% outside air as required by The Green Building Council of Australia Green Star® or LEED® standards.

but does not include any costs that would have been incurred in complying with orders issued prior to the happening of Loss or Damage.

### **Schedule**

means one of the following

- (a) the document titled Schedule which includes Your name and address, the Premium and any other variables to Our standard Policy (including any Endorsement clauses);
- (b) the renewal Schedule You have paid;

Either of these documents may be re-issued from time to time and each successor overrides the earlier document.

### **Situation**

means the land at the address(es) shown on the Schedule or the registered address of Your Strata Community where Your Insured Property is situated.

### **Storm**

means a violent wind sometimes combined with thunder, heavy falls of rain, hail or snow.

### **Storm Surge**

means an abnormal rise or fall in the level of the sea caused by the winds of an intense Storm or cyclone.

### **Strata Community**

means the owner(s) of Your Insured Property and Common Area incorporated under the Strata Schemes Management Act, Strata Titles Act, Community Titles Act or similar legislation applying where Your Insured Property and Common Area is situated.

### **Strata Community Manager**

means a person or other entity appointed in writing by Your Strata Community with delegated functions including the authority to act as an Office Bearer in terms of the Strata Schemes Management Act, Strata Titles Act, Community Titles Act or similar legislation applying where Your Insured Property is situated.

### **Sum Insured**

means the amount(s) shown on the Schedule for the Sections You are covered for and is the maximum amount of Our liability, inclusive of claimant's costs and expenses recoverable from You, for all claims under each of the Sections:

- (a) during any one Period of Insurance; or
- (b) unless a specified limit is otherwise stated in a Section.

### **Temporary Accommodation**

means, as regards any Lot occupied by the Lot Owner, an amount of money calculated on the basis of similar accommodation located in the vicinity.

### **Tenant**

means any person authorised under the terms of a lease, rental or similar type agreement who lives in a Lot including any other co-inhabitant or family normally resident with the Tenant.

### **Tsunami**

means a sea or ocean wave caused by an earthquake, earth tremor or seismological disturbance under the sea.

### Vehicle(s)

means:

- (a) any type of machine on wheels or self-laid tracks made or intended to be propelled by other than manual or animal power that is or should be registered and/or insured under legislation in the State or Territory of Australia in which it is being used; and
- (b) any trailers or other attachments made or intended to be drawn by any of those machines.

### Voluntary Worker

means a person aged twelve (12) years or over engaged solely in work or duties on Your behalf without promise of reward or remuneration, other than an honorarium for duties associated with that function but does not mean employees, contractors or any person who receives a payment, reward or remuneration (other than provided herein) for their services.

### Watercraft

means any vessel, craft or thing made or intended to float on or in or travel through water.

### Wear, Tear

means damage or a reduction in value through age, ordinary use or lack of maintenance.

### We, Our, Us

means:

- (a) Allianz Australia Insurance Limited Subject to b) and c) below;
- (b) Allianz Australia Workers Compensation (NSW) Limited in respect of **Section 4** when insurance for New South Wales is provided, and
- (c) Allianz Australia Workers Compensation (Victoria) Limited in respect of **Section 4** when insurance for Victoria is provided.

### You, Your, Yours

means:

- (a) **in respect of Sections 1, 7, 8, and 10:**  
the Strata Community, Corporation, Owners Corporation, Plan or Company named on the Schedule including:
  - (i) the interest therein of Members;
  - (ii) Lot Owners in respect of **Parts B and C of Section 1, Part B of Section 7 and Part B of Section 8;**
- (b) **in respect of Section 2:**  
the Strata Community, Corporation, Owners Corporation, Plan or Company named on the Schedule including:

- (i) the interest therein of Members;
  - (ii) the organisers of recreational and other activities in respect of **Section 2 (1) (b) (v);**
  - (iii) a Voluntary Worker whilst engaged solely in work or duties on behalf of the Strata Community, Corporation, Owners Corporation, Plan or Company named on the Schedule but does not include Office Bearers while acting in that capacity.
  - (iv) in regard to Special condition 2, Adjoining property extension only, the owner and/or leaseholder of adjacent property.
- (c) **in respect of Section 3:**  
a Voluntary Worker whilst engaged solely in work or duties on behalf of the Strata Community, Corporation, Owners Corporation, Plan or Company named on the Schedule.
  - (d) **in respect of Sections 4, 5, and 9:**  
the Strata Community, Corporation, Owners Corporation, Plan or Company named on the Schedule.
  - (e) **in respect of Section 6:**  
the past, present or future Office Bearers or committee members of the Strata Community, Corporation, Owners Corporation, Plan or Directors of the Company, including those persons':
    - (i) estate, heirs, legal representative or assigns;
    - (ii) legal representative or assigns if he/she is incompetent, insolvent or bankrupt;  
  
but does not include a Strata Community Manager or any other contracted person(s), firm or company when acting in their professional capacity.
  - (f) **in respect of Section 11:**  
the Strata Community, Corporation, Owners Corporation, Plan or Company named on the Schedule and Lot Owners whose Lot titles are terminated.

# Section 1 - Insured Property

## What We cover

This Section contains **Parts A, B and C** that provide cover against the Events listed below which occur during the Period of Insurance.

### Section 1 - Part A

You are covered for the following Events.

1. We will pay up to the Sum Insured shown on the Schedule for **Section 1**, against Loss or Damage to Your Insured Property on the basis set out in "Claims - basis of settlement", including the cost of:

- (a) (i) architects fees, surveyors fees and other professional fees;
- (ii) removal, storage and/or disposal of debris, being the residue of Your damaged Insured Property (including debris required to be removed from adjoining or adjacent public or private land), damaged Lot Owners and occupiers Contents and of anything which caused the Loss or Damage;
- (iii) clearing, cleaning and repairing drains, gutters, sewers and the like where the blockage causes or is the result of physical damage to the pipe or drain;
- (iv) dismantling, demolishing, shoring up, propping, underpinning, or other temporary repairs;
- (v) demolition and disposal of any undamaged portion of Your Insured Property including undamaged foundations and footings in accordance with a demolition order issued by a Public or Statutory Authority;
- (b) Fees, contributions or imposts required to be paid to any Public or Statutory Authority to obtain their authority to rebuild, repair or replace Your Insured Property but We will not pay for any fine or penalty imposed by any such Authority.
- (c) Legal fees You necessarily incur in making submissions and/or applications to any Public or Statutory Authority, Builders Licensing Board, or Land and Environment Courts.
- (d) Loss or Damage to fences and gates as a result of Storm.



*We will not pay:*

- (i) *if gradually operating causes (such as but not limited to Wear, Tear, gradual corrosion, gradual deterioration, wet or dry rot, rust, vermin or insects) primarily contribute towards the Loss or Damage;*
- (ii) *unless We are notified and given a reasonable time to inspect the Loss or Damage before any repair or Replacement is commenced.*
- (e) Loss or Damage caused by a Tsunami.
- (f) Loss or Damage caused by emergency services such as police, fire brigade, ambulance or others acting under their control, in gaining access to Your Insured Property in the lawful pursuit of their duty.
- (g) Sudden and unforeseen Loss or Damage caused by smoke or smut from industrial operations but excluding Loss or Damage resulting from any gradually operating cause.
- (h) Reasonable emergency repair costs You necessarily incur in pursuance of Your duty to minimise insured Loss or Damage and avoid further losses.
- (i) Reasonable costs for the temporary protection and safety of Your Insured Property and residents that You necessarily incur as a result of Loss or Damage that is admitted as a claim under **Section 1**.

If such costs are likely to exceed \$5,000 You must first obtain Our written consent prior to You incurring costs in excess of this amount.

### 2. Act of Terrorism

Notwithstanding General Exclusion 1), if the total Sum's Insured on Your Insured Property as shown on the Schedule under **Sections 1 & 8** is less than \$100,000,000, We will pay under this section actual Loss or Damage, cost or expense caused by an Act of Terrorism, provided that such Act of Terrorism is not directly or indirectly caused by, or contributed to by, resulting from, or arising out of or in connection with biological, chemical, radioactive or nuclear pollution or contamination or explosion.

Cover for Events 3) to 23) of **Part A** are included in addition to the Sum Insured for **Section 1**.

### 3. Alterations / additions

When You make alterations, additions or renovations to Your Insured Property during the Period of Insurance We will:

(a) during the construction period:

pay up to \$100,000 for Loss or Damage to such alterations, additions or renovations by an Event claimable under **Section 1** provided:

- (i) the value of such work does not exceed that amount; or
- (ii) You notify Us and We otherwise agree in writing before the commencement of such work.



*We will not pay if You have entered into a contract with a builder, contractor or similar entity and they are required by law to effect, and they have effected, insurance that insures material damage and liability risks.*

However, as permitted by law, when You are required under the terms of a contract condition to effect insurance on Your Insured Property in the names of both You and the contractor We will cover the interest of the contractor as a Joint Insured in respect of Loss or Damage to such alterations, additions or renovations provided You advise Us with details where the contract value is in excess of \$100,000 prior to such work commencing and if requested pay any extra Premium We may require.

(b) upon practical completion:

pay up to \$250,000 for Loss or Damage to the completed works by an Event claimable under **Section 1** provided:

- (i) You notify Us within sixty (60) days of the practical completion of such alterations, additions or renovations;
- (ii) You have Your property revalued for insurance purposes within 90 days of such practical completion; and
- (iii) if requested pay any extra Premium We may require.

### 4. Arson reward

We will pay a reward of up to \$10,000 for information (irrespective of the number of people supplying information) which leads to a conviction for arson, theft, vandalism or malicious damage provided such Loss or Damage is claimable under **Section 1**.

We will pay the reward to the person or persons providing such information or in such other manner as We may decide.

### 5. Electric motors

We will pay up to \$5,000 for the cost of repairing or replacing an electric motor forming part of Your Insured Property which has been burnt out by Fusion.

If the motor forms part of a sealed unit We will also pay for the cost of replacing gas.

If the motor in a sealed unit cannot be repaired or replaced because of the unit's inability to use a different type of refrigerant (a new gas as required by regulation) or parts are no longer available then We will only pay the cost that would have been incurred in repairing a sealed unit in an equivalent modern day appliance. If an equivalent modern day appliance is not available, then one as close as possibly equivalent will be the basis of any claim.



*We will not pay for:*

- (a) *motors under a guarantee or warranty or maintenance agreement;*
- (b) *other parts of any electrical appliance nor for any software;*
- (c) *lighting or heating elements, fuses, protective devices or switches;*
- (d) *contact at which sparking or arcing occurs in ordinary working.*

### 6. Electricity, gas, water and similar charges – excess costs

We will pay up to \$2,000 for the cost of:

- (a) increased usage of metered electricity, gas, sewerage, oil and water;
- (b) accidental discharge of metered electricity, gas, sewerage, oil and water;
- (c) additional management charges;

You are required to pay following Loss or Damage to Your Insured Property by an Event which is admitted as a claim under **Section 1**.

### 7. Electricity, gas, water and similar charges – unauthorised use

We will pay up to \$2,000 any one Period of Insurance for the cost of metered electricity, gas, sewerage, oil and water You are legally required to pay following its unauthorised use by any person taking possession or occupying any part of Your Insured Property without Your consent.



*We will not pay unless all practical steps are taken to terminate such unauthorised use immediately You become aware of it.*

## 8. Environmental improvements

If Your Insured Property is:

- (a) damaged by an Event claimable under **Section 1**; and
- (b) the cost to rebuild, replace or repair the damaged portion is more than twenty five percent (25%) of what the cost would have been had Your Insured Property been totally destroyed;

We will, in addition to the cost of environmental improvements claimable under **Section 1**, also pay up to \$20,000 for the cost of additional environmental improvements not previously installed such as rainwater tanks, solar energy, hot water heat exchange system, and grey water recycling systems.

## 9. Exploratory costs, Replacement of defective parts

When Your Insured Property suffers Loss or Damage as a result of:

- (a) bursting, leaking, discharging or overflowing of water tanks, water apparatus or water pipes; or
- (b) bursting, leaking, discharging of gas tanks, gas apparatus or gas pipes; or
- (c) leakage of oil from any fixed oil installation, including tanks, apparatus and pipes;

We will pay the reasonable costs of locating the cause of the Loss or Damage and for any Loss or Damage caused in locating the leak.

We will also pay:

- (i) up to \$1,000 for the repair or replacement of the defective part or parts of such tanks, apparatus, pipes or other installations giving rise to the Loss or Damage; and
- (ii) up to \$1,000 to rectify contamination damage or pollution damage to land at Your Situation caused by the escape of the liquid giving rise to the Loss or Damage.



*We will not pay for any of these costs if the bursting, leaking, discharging or overflowing is caused by a building defect, building movement, faulty workmanship, rust, oxidation, corrosion, Wear, Tear, gradual corrosion, gradual deterioration, Earth Movement or by trees, plants or their roots;*

## 10. Fallen trees

We will pay for the reasonable professional costs You necessarily incur for:

- (a) the removal and disposal of trees or branches;
- (b) the cost of treating the stump or root to prevent re-growth;

if a tree or branch falls and causes Loss or Damage to Your Insured Property or landscaped gardens.



*We will not pay for removal or disposal of:*

- *trees or branches that have fallen and not damaged Your Insured Property or landscaped gardens; or*
- *tree stumps or roots.*

## 11. Fire extinguishing

We will pay for the reasonable costs and expenses You necessarily incur in:

- (a) extinguishing a fire at Your Situation, or in the vicinity of Your Situation and threatening to involve Your Insured Property or for the purpose of preventing or diminishing damage including the costs to gain access to any property;
- (b) replenishing fire fighting appliances, replacing used sprinkler heads, and resetting fire, smoke and security alarm systems;
- (c) shutting off the supply of water or any other substance following the accidental discharge or escape of such substances from fire protective equipment.

## 12. Keys, lock replacement

If keys to Your Insured Property are accidentally lost or stolen, We will pay up to \$5,000 for the reasonable costs You necessarily incur in:

- (a) re-keying or re-coding locks together with replacement keys; or
- (b) replacing locks with locks of a similar type and quality if they cannot be re-keyed or re-coded;

to restore security to the same level of security that existed prior to the loss of these keys.

## 13. Meeting room hire

We will pay up to \$5,000 for the cost of hiring temporary meeting room facilities for the purpose of holding Your annual general meeting or committee meetings if You are unable to occupy the meeting room facilities forming part of Your Insured Property by Loss or Damage which is admitted as a claim under **Section 1**.

We will pay from the time of the Event until the time when access to Your meeting room facilities are re-established.

## 14. Modifications

When a resident Lot Owner is physically injured and becomes a paraplegic or quadriplegic as the direct consequence of Loss or Damage to Your Insured Property by an Event which is admitted as a claim under **Section 1** We will pay up to \$25,000 for modifications to Your Insured Property or their Lot to cater for the needs of the Lot Owner.

This Benefit only applies if the paraplegia or quadriplegia has continued for a period of not less



than six (6) months from the date of the Event and is substantiated by a legally qualified medical practitioner.

#### 15. Money

We will pay up to \$10,000 for loss of Your money while in the personal custody of an Office Bearer or committee member of Yours, or of Your Strata Community Manager while acting on Your behalf.



*We will not pay for fraudulent misappropriation, larceny or theft or any attempt thereof by:*

- (a) *any person in Your employment;*
- (b) *a Lot Owner, including any family member permanently residing with them; or*
- (c) *a proxy of a Lot Owner.*

#### 16. Mortgage discharge

We will pay reasonable legal costs up to \$5,000 to discharge any mortgage over Your Insured Property if it becomes a total loss, is not replaced and We have paid the amount due under **Section 1**.

#### 17. Personal property of others

We will pay up to \$10,000 for the Indemnity Value of personal property of others (including employees) that are damaged by an Event claimable under **Section 1** while in Your physical or legal control.

#### 18. Purchaser's interest

We will cover a purchaser's legal interest in Your Insured Property, in the terms of **Section 1**, when the purchaser has signed an agreement to buy part of or all of such property.

#### 19. Records

We will pay up to \$50,000 for the reasonable expenditure You necessarily incur in collating information, preparing, rewriting or reproducing records, books of account, Electronic Data and valuable papers directly related to Your Insured Property that are damaged by an Event claimable under **Section 1**, while anywhere in Australia.

#### 20. Removal of nests

We will pay up to \$1,000 any one Period of Insurance for the cost of removing wasps or bees nests from Your Insured Property that present as a danger to residents or the public.



*We will not pay:*

- (a) *unless You first obtain Our consent to incur such costs;*
- (b) *for the cost of removing any nests that existed prior to the inception of Section 1.*

#### 21. Removal, storage costs

We will pay up to \$10,000 for the reasonable costs You necessarily incur in:

- (a) removing any undamaged portion of Your Insured Property to the nearest place of safe keeping;
- (b) storing such undamaged portion at that place or an equivalent alternate place;
- (c) returning such undamaged portion to the Situation when restoration work is completed;
- (d) insuring Your undamaged Insured Property during such removal, storage and return;

following Loss or Damage to Your Insured Property that is admitted as a claim under **Section 1**.

#### 22. Removal of illegally deposited rubbish

We will pay up to \$5,000 any one Period of Insurance for the reasonable costs and expenses incurred by You with Our consent in the clearing and removal of any property illegally deposited at Your premises.



*We will not pay if such a happening is not reported to the appropriate authority such as police or local council within a reasonable time.*

*You must by way of Excess pay or contribute the first \$1,000 for each and every claim.*

#### 23. Water removal from basement

We will pay up to \$2,000 for the reasonable costs You necessarily incur in removing water from the basement or undercroft area of Your Insured Property if such inundation is directly caused by Storm or Rainwater.



*We will not pay if the inundation is caused by any other Event which is not claimable under Section 1 or by Flood unless Optional Cover 1 is shown as included on Your Schedule.*

## Section 1 - Part B

**Part B** applies to You and Lot Owners. Cover for Events 1) to 5) of **Part B** are included up to the Sum Insured shown on the Schedule for **Part B** of **Section 1**.

#### 1. (a) Rent

When the Common Area or a Lot has been leased out, or can be substantiated by means of a signed agreement that the Common Area or Lot would have leased out, We will pay You and/or the Lot Owner for the Rent that is lost or would have been lost if the Common Area or Lot is made unfit to be occupied for its intended purpose by:

- (i) Loss or Damage that is admitted as a claim under **Section 1**; or

- (ii) reasonable access to or occupancy of the Common Area or Lot is prevented by damage from an Event claimable under **Section 1** happening to other property in the immediate vicinity.

We will pay:

- under a) i) from the time of the Event until the time the Common Area or Lot is relet following completion of rebuilding, repairs or replacement provided You or they demonstrate that all reasonable actions have been taken to obtain a new Tenant; or
- if Your Insured Property is not rebuilt or replaced, for the time it would have reasonably taken to rebuild or replace Your Common Area or Lot up to a maximum of twelve (12) months;
- under a) ii) from the time of the Event until the time when access to the Common Area or Lot is re-established.

**(b) Temporary accommodation**

When a Lot Owner occupies their Lot We will pay the reasonable cost of Temporary Accommodation they necessarily incur if their Lot is made unfit to be occupied for its intended purpose by:

- (i) Loss or Damage that is admitted as a claim under **Section 1**; or
- (ii) reasonable access to or occupancy of their Lot is prevented by damage from an Event claimable under **Section 1** happening to other property in the immediate vicinity.

We will pay:

- under **b i)** from the time of the Event until the time they reoccupy their Lot following completion of rebuilding, repairs or replacement; or
- if Your Insured Property is not rebuilt or replaced, for the time it would have reasonably taken to rebuild or replace their Lot up to a maximum of twelve (12) months;
- under **b ii)** from the time of the Event until the time when access to their Lot is re-established.

**(c) Disease, murder and suicide**

We will pay You and/or the Lot Owner for:

- (i) the cost of Temporary Accommodation necessarily incurred;
- (ii) Rent that is lost;

if Your Common Area or their Lot cannot be occupied by order of the police, a public or statutory authority, other body, entity or person so empowered by law, due to:

- the discharge, release or escape of legionella or other airborne pathogens from water tanks, water systems, air-conditioning plant cooling towers and the like;

- a human infectious or contagious disease;
  - murder or suicide;
- occurring at Your Situation.

We will pay from the time the order is invoked until the time the order is revoked, or for a period of thirty (30) days, whichever first occurs.

**(d) Failure of supply services**

We will pay You and/or the Lot Owner for:

- (i) the cost of Temporary Accommodation necessarily incurred;
- (ii) Rent that is lost;

if Your Common Area or their Lot is made unfit to be occupied for its intended purpose by the failure of electricity, gas, water or sewerage services resulting from Loss or Damage by an Event claimable under **Section 1** happening to property belonging to or under the control of any such supply authority.

Provided the failure of services extends for more than twenty-four (24) hours We will pay from the time of the failure until the time such services are reinstated, or for a period of thirty (30) days, whichever first occurs.

The combined total amount We will pay under **Part B 1)** arising out of any one Event that is admitted as a claim under **Section 1** is limited to the Sum Insured shown on the Schedule for Loss of Rent/Temporary Accommodation.

**2. Cost of reletting**

When any part of Your Common Area or a Lot has been leased out and it is made unfit to be occupied for its intended purpose by:

- (a) Loss or Damage that is admitted as a claim under **Section 1**; and
- (b) Your Tenant at the time of the Event subsequently advises they will not be reoccupying the Common Area or the Lot they previously leased;

We will pay You and/or the Lot Owner reasonable reletting costs up to \$1,500.

**3. Landscaping**

We will pay up to \$10,000 for the reasonable costs You or a Lot Owner necessarily incur in replacing or repairing damaged trees, shrubs, plants, lawns or rockwork at Your Situation damaged by an Event claimable under **Section 1**.

**4. Removal of squatters**

We will pay You and/or the Lot Owner up to \$1,000 any one Period of Insurance for legal fees necessarily incurred to repossess Your Insured Property or their Lot if squatters are living in it.



*We will not pay unless You or they first obtain Our consent to incur such legal fees.*

## 5. Title deeds

We will pay for the reasonable costs You or a Lot Owner necessarily incur in replacing Title Deeds to Your Insured Property or their Lot if they are lost or damaged by an Event claimable under **Section 1**, while anywhere in Australia.

## Section 1 - Part C

**Part C** applies to Lot Owners. Cover for Events 1) to 6) of **Part C** are included in addition to the Sum Insured for **Section 1**.

### 1. Emergency accommodation

When a Lot is occupied by a Lot Owner or Tenant for residential purposes We will pay:

- (a) the Lot Owner; and/or
- (b) the Tenant named on the lease, rental or similar type agreement;

up to \$1,500 a Lot, irrespective of the number of people occupying the Lot, for the reasonable cost of emergency accommodation necessarily incurred if a Lot is made unfit to be occupied for its intended purpose by:

- (i) Loss or Damage to Your Insured Property that is admitted as a claim under **Section 1**; or
- (ii) reasonable access to or occupancy of the Lot is prevented by Loss or Damage from an Event claimable under **Section 1** happening to other property in the immediate vicinity; or
- (iii) reasonable access to or occupancy of the Lot is prevented by the Police Authority or other Emergency Service due to a danger or disturbance in the immediate vicinity.

However under Clause 1 b) above We will:

- only pay if the need for emergency accommodation arises in circumstances where two (2) or more Lots are made unfit to be occupied for their intended purpose;
- treat the Tenant named on the lease, rental or similar type agreement as though the Tenant was a Lot Owner.

### 2. Funeral expenses

When a Lot is occupied by the Lot Owner We will pay up to \$5,000 a Lot for funeral expenses if the Lot Owner, or a family member who permanently resides with the Lot Owner, dies as the direct consequence of Loss or Damage to Your Insured Property that is admitted as a claim under **Section 1**.

### 3. Lot Owners' contributions and fees

We will pay, up to \$2,000 a Lot, for contributions, levies, maintenance and other fees the Lot Owner is required to pay during the period their Lot is unfit to be occupied for its intended purpose by Loss or Damage to Your Insured Property that is admitted as a claim under **Section 1**.

### 4. Lot Owners' removal and storage costs

We will pay up to \$5,000 for the reasonable costs a Lot Owner necessarily incurs in:

- (a) removing their undamaged Contents to the nearest place of safe keeping;
- (b) storing their undamaged Contents at that place or an equivalent alternate place;
- (c) returning their undamaged Contents to Your Situation when occupancy of their Lot is permitted;
- (d) insuring their undamaged Contents during such removal, storage and return;

following Loss or Damage to Your Insured Property that is admitted as a claim under **Section 1** that makes their Lot unfit to be occupied for its intended purpose.

### 5. Lot Owners travel costs

When a Lot Owner has leased out their Lot We will, if their Lot is made unfit to be occupied for its intended purpose by Loss or Damage that is admitted as a claim under **Section 1**, pay up to \$250 a Lot for reasonable travel costs the Lot Owner incurs in visiting their Lot for the purpose of consulting with claim adjusters and/or building repairers.



*We will not pay unless You or they first obtain Our consent to incur such travel costs.*

### 6. Pets, security dogs

When a Lot Owner occupies their Lot solely for residential purposes, We will pay up to \$1,000 a Lot for the reasonable costs they necessarily incur for boarding pets or security dogs if their Lot is rendered unfit for its intended purpose by:

- (a) Loss or Damage to Your Insured Property that is admitted as a claim under **Section 1**; and
- (b) Temporary Accommodation does not allow pets or security dogs.

### 7. Sale of Lot

When a Lot Owner has contracted to sell their Lot and the sale is subsequently delayed or cancelled as a direct result of Loss or Damage by any Event and a claim is admitted under **Section 1** We will, from the date the sale was to have been settled, pay up to \$7,500 per Lot and \$20,000 any one Period of Insurance for:

- (a) the actual interest charges a Lot Owner incurs on capital borrowed (such as bridging finance) in anticipation of the sale proceeds of the Lot; or

- (b) in any other case, the loss of potential investment interest on the sale proceeds of the Lot until the time settlement is finalised.

The method of calculation on this will be;

$$\frac{(CR + 1\%) * SP * DL}{365}$$

Whereas:

**CR** = Reserve Bank of Australia (current target cash rate)

**SP** = Sale proceeds

**DL** = No of days in investment



*We will not pay unless the Lot Owner makes every reasonable effort to complete the sale of the Lot.*

## Optional Covers

The following Optional Covers are operative when shown as 'Included' on Your Schedule.

### 1. Flood

We will pay up to the Sum Insured shown in the Schedule for Loss or Damage to Your Insured Property caused by Flood which happens during the Period of Insurance.

### 2. Floating floors

Provided Your Sum Insured under **Section 1** is not otherwise exhausted We will pay for the cost of repairing or replacing Lot Owner's Floating Floors if damaged by an Event claimable under **Section 1**.

### 3. Lot Owners' wall coverings (Applicable to New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory)

Provided Your Sum Insured under **Section 1** is not otherwise exhausted We will pay for the cost of repainting or re-wallpapering internal walls or ceilings of a Lot if damaged by an Event claimable under **Section 1**.

Our liability under Optional Cover 3) is limited to the room, hallway or passageway where the Loss or Damage occurs.



## Exclusions - what We do not cover under Parts A, B and C

### 1. We will not pay for Loss or Damage:

- (a) *caused by Flood.*

However We will pay if Optional Cover 1 is shown as included on Your Schedule.

- (b) *to retaining walls resulting from Storm or Rainwater.*

- (c) (i) *caused by moths, termites or other insects, vermin, mice, rats, rust or oxidation, mildew,*

*mould, contamination or pollution, wet or dry rot, corrosion, gradual corrosion or deterioration, change in colour, dampness of atmosphere or other variations in temperature, evaporation, disease, inherent vice or latent defect, loss of weight, change in texture or finish or pecking, biting, chewing or scratching by birds or animals;*

- (ii) *caused by Wear, Tear, fading, concrete or brick cancer, gradual deterioration or developing flaws;*

- (iii) *caused by lack of maintenance or failure to maintain Your Insured Property in a reasonably good state of repair.*

However We will pay if any of these causes directly results in Loss or Damage from any other Event claimable under **Section 1** such as fire or glass breakage.

- (d) *caused by non-rectification of an Insured Property defect, error or omission that You were aware of, or should reasonably have been aware of.*

- (e) *caused by overwinding, mechanical breakdown or derangement, electrical breakdown or derangement, or failure caused by electric current.*

However We will pay if the Loss or Damage is due to:

- (i) Fusion of electric motors as covered under Event 5) of **Part A**;
- (ii) lightning;
- (iii) power surge when such Event is confirmed by the supply authority; or
- (iv) resulting fire damage.

- (f) *caused by any action of the sea, high water or high tide, Storm Surge or tidal wave.*

However We will pay if the Loss or Damage is due to Tsunami.

- (g) *caused by vibration or from the removal or weakening of or interference with the support of land or buildings or any other property, Erosion or Earth Movement.*

However We will pay if the Loss or Damage is due to:

- (i) earthquake or seismological disturbance, Tsunami, explosion, physical impact by aircraft;
- (ii) bursting, leaking or overflowing of water tanks, pipes, drains, gutters or other water or liquid carrying apparatus; and

- (iii) Flood if Optional Cover 1 is shown as included on Your Schedule.

- (h) *caused by underground (hydrostatic) water.*

However We will pay if the Loss or Damage is due to bursting, leaking or overflowing of water tanks, pipes, or drains.

- (i) *caused by the invasion of tree or plant roots nor for the cost of clearing pipes or drains blocked by any such invasion.*

However We will pay for water or liquid damage resulting from blocked pipes or drains.

- (j) *caused by the movement of swimming pools or spas or the accidental breakage, chipping or lifting of tiles of swimming pools or spas or their surrounds.*

- (k) *caused by smut or smoke from industrial operations.*

However We will pay if such damage is sudden or unforeseen.

- (l) *caused by any process involving the application of heat being applied directly to any part of Your Insured Property.*

However We will pay if any other part of Your Insured Property is damaged or destroyed by fire.

- (m) *due to normal settling, creeping, heaving, seepage, shrinkage, or expansion in buildings, foundations / footings, walls, bridges, roadways, kerbing, driveways, paths, garden borders and other structural improvements.*

- (n) *to water in swimming pools, spas or water tanks.*

- (o) *to glass caused by artificial heat, during installation or removal, that has a crack or imperfection, or is required to be insured by any other party in terms of an occupancy agreement.*

- (p) *to carpets and other floor coverings resulting from staining, fading or fraying.*

However We will pay if the Loss or Damage directly results from any other Event claimable under **Section 1**.

- (q) *to boilers (other than boilers used for domestic purposes), economisers or pressure vessels and their contents resulting from the explosion thereof.*

- (r) *to Your Insured Property if it is vacant and undergoing demolition unless Our written consent to continue cover has been obtained before the commencement of demolition.*

- (s) *to Your Insured Property directly resulting from construction, erection, alteration or addition where the value of such work exceeds \$500,000 unless Our written consent to continue cover has been obtained before the commencement of such work.*

However We will pay for Loss or Damage that results from any other Event claimable under **Section 1**.

## 2. We will not pay for:

- (a) *demolition ordered by any Public or Statutory Authority as a result of Your failure, or the failure of anyone acting on Your behalf, to comply with any*

*lawful requirement or due to the incorrect siting of Your Insured Property;*

- (b) *the cost of rectifying faulty or defective materials or faulty or defective workmanship;*

- (c) *consequential loss, loss of use or Depreciation other than as specifically provided under **Parts A, B and C**.*

- (d) *the cost of clearing blocked pipes or drains unless the blockage causes or is the result of physical damage to the pipe or drain.*

However We will pay for water or liquid damage to Your Insured Property resulting from the overflow of such blocked pipes or drains.

## Claims - basis of settlement

### 1. Replacement

If Your Insured Property is damaged, We may choose to either rebuild, replace, repair or pay the amount it would cost to rebuild, replace or repair.

The amount We pay under **Section 1** will be the cost of Replacement at the time of Replacement subject to the following provisions:

- (a) the necessary work of rebuilding, replacing or repairing (which may be carried out upon another site or in any manner suitable to Your requirements provided Our liability is not increased), must be commenced and carried out without unreasonable delay;
- (b) where Your Insured Property contains any architectural or structural feature of an ornamental, heritage or historical character or where materials used in the original construction are not readily available We will use the nearest equivalent available to the original materials;
- (c) if it is lawful, and with Our prior written consent, You will not be required to actually rebuild any building destroyed but may purchase an alternative existing building or part thereof to replace all or part of the one destroyed. Such Replacement will be deemed to constitute Replacement for the purpose of this insurance provided Our liability is not increased;
- (d) if You cause unreasonable delays in commencing or carrying out Replacement, We will not pay any extra costs that result from that delay;
- (e) when We wish to rebuild, replace or repair and You do not want this to occur We will only pay Indemnity Value.



*We will not pay for the cost to:*

- (i) *rebuild or replace Your undamaged Insured Property;*

(ii) *rebuild, replace or repair illegal installations.*

For each and every claim You have to pay the amount of Excess shown on the Schedule or in **Section 1**.

## 2. Undamaged part of Insured Property, foundations and footings

If Your Insured Property is damaged and any Public or Statutory Authority requires replacement to be carried out on another site We will pay for the value of any undamaged part of Your Insured Property, including foundations and footings, as though they had been destroyed.

If the sale value of the original Situation with such undamaged part is greater than without them We will deduct the amount of such difference from any settlement otherwise payable by Us.

## 3. Floor space ratio

If Your Insured Property is damaged and Replacement is limited or restricted under an Ordinance or Regulation issued by a Public or Statutory Authority requirement that results in the reduction of the floor space ratio index, We will pay the difference between:

- (a) the actual costs incurred in Replacement in accordance with the reduced floor space ratio index; and
- (b) the estimated cost of Replacement at the time of Loss or Damage had the reduced floor space ratio index not applied.

## 4. Land value

We will pay the difference between Land Value before and after Loss or Damage if any Public or Statutory Authority refuses to allow Your Insured Property to be replaced or only allows partial Replacement, less any sum paid by way of compensation by any such Authority.

## 5. Claim settlement *(when Section 11 is shown as a Sum Insured on the Schedule)*

When **Section 11** is shown on the Schedule as a Sum Insured We agree that We will treat Your Sum Insured under **Section 1** on an Agreed Value basis.

In the event of Loss that results in:

- (a) a total loss or constructive total loss of Your Insured Property and Your Strata Community Title and all Lot Titles are terminated We will pay You the Sum Insured shown on the Schedule for **Section 1**.
- (b) a partial loss and some but not all Lot Titles are terminated We will, in respect of the Lots where title has been terminated, pay You the amount calculated on the percentage of the Sum Insured for **Section 1** that the affected Lot entitlements bear to the total Strata Community entitlement.

When We pay a claim under Clause 5) b), any Loss or Damage to Lots where Title has not been terminated will be settled in terms of Clause 1) Replacement above

but Your Sum Insured thereunder will be reduced by the amount We pay under Clause 5) b).

## Special provisions

1. Under Clauses 2), 3) and 4) of "Claims - basis of settlement" Our liability is limited to the extent to which the Sum Insured for **Section 1** is not otherwise expended.

Any differences relating to values may by agreement between us be referred to the President of the Australian Property Institute Inc. who will appoint a specialist valuer who is registered and qualified to carry out such valuations in accordance with accepted valuation practices. The valuer's decision will, if we so agree, be final and binding and who will at the same time decide as to payment of the costs of such referral.

2. Clauses 2), 3) and 4) of "Claims - basis of settlement" do not apply in respect of any claim settled in terms of Clause 5) Claim settlement above.

## Special conditions

### 1. Removal of illegally deposited rubbish

Under Event 22 of **Part A** You must by way of Excess pay or contribute the first \$1,000 for each and every claim.

### 2. Professional fees

We will pay up to \$50,000 for the reasonable cost of professional fees and other expenses You necessarily incur with Our written consent in the preparation of a claim under **Section 1** and when applicable **Sections 8, 10 and 11**.

# Section 2 - Liability to others

## What We cover

1. We will pay up to the Sum Insured shown in the Schedule for Section 2 where You become legally responsible to pay compensation (including plaintiff's legal costs) for;

- Personal Injury; or
- Property Damage;

resulting from an Occurrence happening in connection with Your Business.

### Automatic Extensions

- (a) Financial Loss

We will pay up to the Sum Insured shown in the Schedule for **Section 2** where You become legally responsible to pay compensation awarded by a Tribunal or similar body for financial loss incurred by a Lot Owner arising out of Your failure to comply with Your statutory duty to maintain and repair common property.

- (b) Other Extensions

We will pay up to the Sum Insured shown in the Schedule for **Section 2** where You become legally responsible to pay compensation for Personal Injury or Property Damage:

- (i) **Bridges, roadways, kerbing, footpaths, services** arising from bridges, roadways, kerbing, footpaths, underground and overhead services You own at the Situation.

- (ii) **Car park liability** to Vehicles in Your physical or legal control where such Property Damage occurs in a car park You own at the Situation.



*We will not pay if the Vehicle is owned or being used by You or is being used on Your behalf.*

- (iii) **Fertiliser, pesticide, herbicide application** arising from the application of any fertiliser, pesticide or herbicide to Your Common Area or Insured Property.



*We will not pay:*

- (a) *unless the fertiliser, pesticide or herbicide has been applied in conformity with any Public or Statutory Authority requirement or, in the absence of any such requirement, in conformity with the manufacturer's recommendations;*

- (b) *for Loss or Damage to Your Common Area or Insured Property, or its improvements including gardens and lawns, to which the fertiliser, pesticide or herbicide was being applied.*

- (iv) **Hiring out of sporting and recreational facilities** arising from the hiring out of sporting or recreational facilities (such as but not limited to tennis courts or swimming pools) owned by You.

- (v) **Recreational and other activities** arising from recreational, social or other activities arranged for and on behalf of Lot Owners and occupiers of Lots.

- (vi) **Services** arising out of the service or services You provide for the benefit, general use and enjoyment of Lot Owners and occupiers of Lots at Your Situation.

- (vii) **Watercraft** arising from any Watercraft (not exceeding 8 metres in length) owned by You, in Your possession or physical or legal control.



*We will not pay if the Watercraft is or should have been insured under legislation of the State or Territory of Australia in which it is being used.*

- (viii) **Garden equipment and unregistered vehicles** arising from any wheelchair, garden equipment including lawn mowers, golf cart, golf buggy or other Vehicle owned by You, in Your possession or physical or legal control.



*We will not pay if any such item is or should have been registered and/or insured under legislation in the State or Territory of Australia in which it is being used.*

## 2. Cost of defending a claim

We will pay in addition to the Sum Insured under 1) above:

- (a) all legal costs and expenses incurred by Us;
- (b) reasonable cost of legal representation You necessarily incur with Our written consent at a coronial inquest or inquiry into any death that may be the subject of a claim for compensation under **Section 2**;
- (c) other reasonable expenses You necessarily incur that We have agreed to reimburse; and
- (d) all interest accruing after judgment has been entered against You until We have paid, tendered or deposited in court the amount that We are liable to pay following judgment.

### 3. Court appearance

We will pay compensation of \$250 per day if We require an Office Bearer, Committee Member or Your Strata Community Manager to attend a Court as a witness in connection with a claim under **Section 2**.



## Exclusions - what We do not cover

We will not pay for any claim:

1. *in connection with any liability for Personal Injury to any employee arising out of or in the course of their employment with You.*

This exclusion does not apply to an 'eligible person' as defined under the Workers' Compensation and Rehabilitation Act 2003 (Qld).

2. *in respect of liability imposed by the provisions of any workers' compensation, accident compensation or similar legislation applying where Your Insured Property is situated.*

3. *in respect of:*

- (a) *damage to property belonging to, rented by or leased by You or in Your physical or legal control, other than as specifically provided by this **Section 2**;*

- (b) *damage to property belonging to any person who is deemed a worker or employee within the provisions of any workers' compensation, accident compensation or similar legislation applying where Your Insured Property is situated;*

- (c) *injury to or death of animals on Your Common Area;*

- (d) *Personal Injury or Property Damage caused by animals on Your Common Area other than guard or watch dogs You employ for security purposes.*

4. *arising out of the rendering or failure to render professional advice by You or any error or omission connected therewith.*

This exclusion does not apply to the rendering or failure to render professional medical advice by a legally qualified medical practitioner, legally qualified registered nurse, dentist or first aid attendant You use to provide first aid services at Your Situation.

5. *arising out of the publication or utterance of a defamation, libel or slander:*

- (a) *made prior to the commencement of **Section 2**;*

- (b) *made by You or at Your direction when You knew it to be false.*

6. *arising out of the ownership, possession or use by You of any Vehicle, Watercraft, hovercraft, aircraft or aircraft landing areas other than as specifically provided in **Section 2**.*

7. *arising out of or in connection with the ownership of marinas, wharves, jetties, docks, pontoons or similar*

*type facilities (whether fixed or floating) if such facilities are used for commercial purposes or provide fuel distribution facilities, unless We otherwise agree in writing.*

8. *arising out of construction, erection, demolition, alterations or additions to Your Insured Property where the cost of such work exceeds \$500,000, unless You advise Us and obtain Our written consent to provide cover before commencement of such works.*

9. *arising from vibration or from the removal or weakening of or interference with the support of land or Buildings or any other property.*

10. *arising under the terms of any agreement unless liability would have attached to You in the absence of such agreement.*

This exclusion does not apply to:

- (a) liability assumed by You under any contract or lease of real or personal property;

- (b) liability assumed by You in the course of Your Business under the terms of any written agreement with the company, person or firm appointed to manage Your Business except where liability arises out of:

- (i) any act of negligence on their part; or

- (ii) by their default in performing their obligations under such agreement.

11. *arising out of or caused by the discharge, dispersal, release of or escape of pollutants into or upon property, land, the atmosphere, or any water course or body of water.*

This exclusion does not apply if such discharge, dispersal, release or escape is sudden, identifiable, unexpected and unintended and takes place in its entirety at a specific time and place during the Period of Insurance.

12. *arising out of or incurred in the prevention, removing, nullifying or clean-up of any contamination or pollution.*

This exclusion does not apply to clean-up, removal or nullifying expenses only which are incurred after a sudden, identifiable, unexpected and unintended happening that takes place in its entirety at a specific time and place during the Period of Insurance.

13. *for fines or penalties or for punitive, aggravated, exemplary or additional damages (including interest and costs) imposed against You.*

14. *made or actions instituted outside Australia that are governed by the laws of a foreign country.*

15. *for Liability to pay for personal injury or property damage, or any consequential loss arising therefrom, caused by or arising directly or indirectly out of or in connection with the actual or alleged use or presence of asbestos or in any way involving asbestos or asbestos contained in any materials in whatever form or quantity.*



## Special conditions

### 1. Strata Community Manager defence

If a claim is made jointly against You and Your Strata Community Manager solely by virtue of their relationship with You, We will treat Your Strata Community Manager as though they were You.



*We will not indemnify Your Strata Community Manager if their joining in the claim is attributable to a negligent or wrongful act, error or omission of theirs when acting in a professional capacity, including but not limited to performance of their obligations with respect to any management agreement or other contractual arrangement they may have in place with You.*

### 2. Adjoining Property Extension

**Section 2** is extended to include Your liability for any part of Your Insured Property that overhangs and/or infringes adjoining public or private property.

This extension provides compensation for claims arising out of such overhangs or infringement which solely and directly results from Your acts or omissions in connection with the Business.



*We will not provide compensation for any claim for Personal Injury and/or Property Damage which happens independently of Your acts or omissions.*

## Special definitions

The words listed below have been given a specific meaning and apply to **Section 2** when they begin with a capital letter.

### Business

means the ownership of Your Common Area and Insured Property unless You otherwise advise Us and We agree to such inclusion in writing.

### Occurrence

means an Event, including continuous or repeated exposure to substantially the same general conditions, that results in Personal Injury or Property Damage neither expected nor intended to happen by You.

### Personal Injury

means:

- (a) bodily injury (including death and illness), disability, fright, shock, mental anguish or mental injury;
- (b) false arrest, wrongful detention, false imprisonment or malicious prosecution;
- (c) wrongful entry or eviction or other invasion of the right of privacy;

(d) a publication or utterance of defamatory or disparaging material;

(e) assault and battery not committed by You or any Lot Owner or at Your or their direction unless committed for the purpose of preventing or eliminating danger to person or property;

that happens during the Period of Insurance anywhere in Australia.

### Pollutants

means any solid, liquid, gaseous or thermal irritant or contaminant, including but not limited to smoke, vapour, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, chemicals and waste. Waste includes material to be recycled, reconditioned or reclaimed.

### Property Damage

means:

- (a) physical damage to or destruction of tangible property including its loss of use following such physical damage or destruction; or
- (b) loss of use of tangible property that has not been physically damaged or destroyed provided that the loss of use has been caused by an Occurrence;

that happens during the Period of Insurance anywhere in Australia.

# Section 3 - Voluntary Workers

## What We cover

We will pay to a Voluntary Worker, or that person's estate, the compensation detailed in **Section 3** in the event of such Voluntary Worker sustaining bodily injury:

- (a) whilst voluntarily engaged in work on Your behalf; and
- (b) caused solely and directly by violent, accidental, external and visible means; and
- (c) which, independently of any other cause results in the following insured Events.

## Events

1. Death	\$200,000
2. Total and irrecoverable loss of all sight in both eyes	\$200,000
3. Total and permanent loss of the use of both hands or of the use of both feet or the use of one hand and one foot	\$200,000
4. Total and permanent loss of the use of one hand or of the use of one foot	\$100,000
5. Total and irrecoverable loss of all sight in one eye	\$100,000
6. (a) Total Disablement from engaging in or attending to usual profession, business or Occupation - in respect of each week of Total Disablement:	
(i) a weekly benefit of	\$1,000
or	
(ii) if You substantiate that the amount of Your average weekly wage, salary or other remuneration earned from Your personal exertion is greater than \$1,000 per week - the amount of such remuneration up to a maximum per week of	\$2,000
(b) Partial Disablement from engaging in or attending to usual profession, business or occupation - in respect of each week of Partial Disablement:	
(i) a weekly benefit of	\$500
or	
(ii) if You substantiate that the amount of Your average weekly wage, salary or other remuneration earned from Your personal exertion is reduced by more than \$500 per week - the amount of such reduction up to a maximum per week of	\$1,000

- 7. The reasonable and necessary cost of hiring or employing domestic assistance if a Voluntary Worker is totally disabled from performing
  - (a) his/her usual profession, business, occupation;
  - or
  - (b) usual household activities;
    - in respect of each week of Total Disablement a weekly benefit not exceeding \$500
- 8. The reasonable cost of travel expenses necessarily incurred at the time of, or subsequent to, the sustaining of bodily injury and not otherwise recoverable from any other source – a benefit not exceeding \$2,000
- 9. The reasonable cost of home tutorial expenses if the Voluntary Worker is a full time student – in respect of each week of Total Disablement a weekly benefit not exceeding \$250
- 10. The reasonable cost of burial or cremation of a Voluntary Worker following a claim payable under Event 1 – a benefit not exceeding \$5,000



## Exclusions - what We do not cover

We will not pay:

- 1. (a) *for more than one of Events 6) a) and 6) b) in respect of the same period of time;*
- (b) *under Event 6) a) and Event 6) b) in respect of persons not in receipt of wages, salaries or other remuneration from their personal exertion;*
- (c) *under Event 6) a) and Event 6) b) in excess of an aggregate of one hundred and four (104) weeks in all, in respect of any one disablement;*
- (d) *under Event 7) and Event 9) in excess of an aggregate of ten (10) weeks in all, in respect of any one disablement;*
- (e) *unless the results of bodily injury manifests itself within twelve months of sustaining such bodily injury;*
- (f) *unless an injured Voluntary Worker will, as soon as possible after the occurrence of any bodily injury, procure and follow proper medical advice from a legally qualified medical practitioner;*
- (g) *for any amounts recoverable under a Medicare benefit or payable by any registered health benefits insurer;*

(h) *for any fees or charges in relation to the provision in Australia of medical expenses, hospital treatment or ancillary benefits as defined by the Health Insurance Act, 1973.*

2. *We will not pay compensation in respect of claims arising out of:*

(a) *illness;*

(b) *intentional self-injury or suicide, or any attempt thereat;*

(c) *attributable wholly or in part to childbirth or pregnancy, notwithstanding that miscarriage or childbirth may have been accelerated or induced by the bodily injury sustained;*

(d) *a Voluntary Worker being under the influence of alcohol or any drug, other than a drug prescribed by a qualified medical practitioner.*

### **Total Disablement**

means an injury which entirely prevents a Voluntary Worker from:

(a) carrying out all of the normal duties of such person's usual occupation, profession or business;

or

(b) where such person engages in more than one occupation, profession or business, ALL OF THEM;

as certified by a legally qualified medical practitioner.

## **Special conditions**

1. If a Voluntary Worker becomes entitled to compensation under more than one of the Events 1) to 5) in respect of the same bodily injury, the compensation payable will be cumulative up to one hundred percent (100%) of the compensation payable for Event 1).
2. After the occurrence of any one of the Events 2) to 5) there will be no further liability under **Section 3** for these Events in respect of the same Voluntary Worker.
3. In the event of a claim involving the death of a Voluntary Worker We will, at Our discretion, be entitled to have a post-mortem examination carried out at Our expense.

## **Special definitions**

The words listed below have been given a specific meaning and apply to **Section 3** when they begin with a capital letter.

### **Partial Disablement**

means an injury which entirely prevents a Voluntary Worker from:

(a) carrying out a substantial part of the normal duties of such person's usual occupation, profession or business;

or

(b) where such person engages in more than one occupation, profession or business, ANY OF THEM;

as certified by a legally qualified medical practitioner.

# Section 4 - Workers compensation

## What We cover

When Your Schedule shows **Section 4** is selected, cover is provided for Your legal liability under the applicable workers compensation legislation of the state or territory where Your Insured Property is situated. Workers compensation cover is provided under a separate policy and is subject to the terms and conditions of that policy.

## Special provision

When **Section 4** is shown on the Schedule as selected cover is provided by:

- (a) Allianz Australia Insurance Limited  
in the Australian Capital Territory, Northern Territory,  
Western Australia and Tasmania; or
- (b) Allianz Australia Workers Compensation (NSW) Limited  
in New South Wales. We act as the agent of this insurer  
in arranging insurance in NSW, and not as Your agent.
- (c) Allianz Australia Workers Compensation (Victoria)  
Limited  
In Victoria. We act as the agent of this insurer in  
arranging insurance in Victoria, and not as Your agent.



## ***We do not cover***

*Workers Compensation in South Australia or Queensland.*

# Section 5 - Fidelity guarantee

## What We cover

We will indemnify You up to:

- (a) the Sum Insured shown on the Schedule for **Section 5** in respect of fraudulent misappropriation of Your Funds.
- (b) \$2,500 for the cost of fees payable to external auditors that are reasonably and necessarily incurred to support a valid claim.



## Exclusions - what We do not insure

We will not pay for:

- (i) *any fraudulent misappropriation unless and until You have exhausted Your rights and entitlements to payment pursuant to any other fidelity bond or fidelity fund of whatsoever nature that might exist pursuant to any law;*
- (ii) *any fraudulent misappropriation committed after the initial discovery of loss;*
- (iii) *any losses arising out of fraudulent misappropriation committed prior to the commencement of **Section 5**;*
- (iv) *any claims arising out of losses discovered more than twelve (12) months after the expiry of **Section 5**.*

## Special definition

The word listed below has been given a specific meaning and applies to **Section 5** when it begins with a capital letter.

### Funds

means money, securities or tangible property received by You, or collected on Your behalf, which has been or was to be set aside for the financial management of Your affairs. Funds do not include the personal money, securities or tangible property of Lot Owners or Members.

# Section 6 - Office Bearers Liability

This Office Bearers Liability section is issued on a Claims made basis. This means **Section 6** responds to Claims first made against You during the Period of Insurance and notified to Us during that same period.

## What We cover

### 1. We will pay up to the Sum Insured as shown on the Schedule:

- (a) (i) on Your behalf, all Loss for which You are not indemnified by Your Strata Community;
- (ii) pay on behalf of Your Strata Community, all Loss for which they grant indemnification to You, as permitted or required by law, or for which Your Strata Community is vicariously liable at law;

arising from any Claim first made against You individually or otherwise, or against Your Strata Community Manager while acting as an Office Bearer, during the Period of Insurance; and

- (b) reported to Us during the Period of Insurance.

Provided that Claims which do not comply with all of (a) and (b) above are not, other than as provided under **Special Condition 1 of Section 6**, the subject of this insurance or any indemnity.

### 2. Defence costs

We agree that in relation to any Claim under **Section 6**:

- (a) where indemnity has been confirmed by Us in writing, We will advance Defence Costs arising from such Claim;
- (b) where indemnity has not been confirmed by Us in writing, We will:
  - (i) where We elect to conduct the defence or settlement of such Claim, pay Defence Costs arising from such Claim; or
  - (ii) in any other case, We may at Our discretion advance the Defence Costs arising from such Claim.

In the event the Claim is withdrawn or that indemnity under **Section 6** is subsequently withdrawn or denied We will cease to advance Defence Costs and You will refund any Defence Costs advanced by Us to the extent that We are satisfied that You were not entitled to such Defence Costs, unless We agree in writing to waive recovery of such Defence Costs.

### 3. Reinstatement of the Sum Insured

When We have paid a Claim under **Section 6** and the total amount paid equals, or but for the Sum Insured

would exceed, the Sum Insured We will reinstate the Sum Insured once only to that shown on the Schedule, subject to You paying any additional Premium that We may require.



*This reinstatement shall not apply to:*

- (a) *any Claim, fact or circumstance that should have been or could have been notified to Us during the preceding Period of Insurance of **Section 6** or under an earlier Office Bearers Liability section issued by Us;*
- (b) *any Claim notified to Us for which a Loss payment has not been made;*
- (c) *any existing Claim on which a Loss payment has been made including any subsequent Claim that may arise from the same event.*

### 4. Total limit of Our liability

The most We will pay for all Claims in respect of any one Period of Insurance is:

- (a) the Sum Insured shown on the Schedule for **Section 6**; and
- (b) when We have reinstated Your cover under **Insuring Clause 3** an additional amount equal to that Sum Insured;

inclusive of claimant's costs and expenses and Defence Costs incurred by Us.



## Exclusions - what We do not cover

*We will not pay for:*

1. *Claims arising from any facts or circumstances that You knew of prior to or at the inception of **Section 6**, or that a reasonable person in the circumstances could be expected to know, that may give rise to a Claim against You.*
2. *Claims brought about or contributed to by any dishonest or fraudulent, criminal or malicious act or omission of Yours or of any person at any time employed by You.*

However this exclusion does not apply to:

- (a) any party or entity not committing or condoning any such act or omission; and
  - (b) the costs incurred by You in successfully defending any Claim or suit made against You.
3. *Claims for death, bodily injury, sickness, disease, or damage to property.*  
However this exclusion will not apply to Loss or Damage to documents that are Your property, or entrusted to You, or costs and expenses incurred by You in replacing or restoring such documents.
  4. *Claims resulting from Your intentional decision not to effect and maintain insurances as required by the Strata Schemes Management Act, Strata Titles Act, Community Titles Act, Company Titles Act or similar legislation applying where the Insured Property is situated.*
  5. *Claims arising out of a publication or utterance of a libel or slander or other defamatory or disparaging material.*
  6. *finances, penalties, punitive or exemplary or aggravated damages or any additional damages resulting from the multiplication of compensatory damages.*
  7. *You gaining or having gained any personal profit or advantage to which You are not legally entitled or for which You may be held accountable to Your Strata Community or any individual member thereof.*
  8. *any money or gratuity given to or taken by You without authorisation by Your Strata Community where such authorisation is necessary pursuant to the articles of Your Strata Community or prescribed law.*
  9. *a conflict of duty or interest of Yours.*
  10. *any intentional exercise of power by You where the exercise of that power is for a purpose other than the purpose for which such power was conferred by the Articles of Your Strata Community.*
  11. *any Wrongful Act made or threatened or in any way intimated on or before the inception date specified on the Schedule, except as otherwise provided in **Special Condition 1** of **Section 6**.*
  12. *Claims first notified to Us after the expiry of **Section 6**, except as otherwise provided in **Insuring Clause 1 b**).*
  13. *Claims brought against Your Strata Community Manager or any other contracted person(s), firm or company when acting in their professional capacity, except as otherwise provided in **Insuring Clause 1 a**).*
  14. *Claims brought against You in a Court of Law outside Australia.*

## Special conditions

### 1. Continuous cover

We agree that if there is a fact or circumstance that should have been or could have been notified to Us during the preceding Period of Insurance of **Section 6** or under an earlier Office Bearers Liability issued by Us, We will accept the notification of such fact or circumstance under **Section 6** subject to the following provisos:

- (a) We have continuously been the insurer under an Office Bearers Liability between the date when such notification should have been given and the date when such notification was in fact given; and
- (b) the terms and conditions applicable to this **Special Condition 1** and to that notification will be the terms and conditions, including the Sum Insured and Excess, applicable to **Section 6** under the current Period of Insurance.

### 2. Excess

Whenever an Excess is shown on the Schedule, You have to pay or contribute the stated amount for each Claim covered under this **Section 6**.

If more than one person or entity makes a Claim for the same Wrongful Act, that is deemed to be a single Claim for the purpose of application of the Excess.

Only one Excess is payable for Claims arising from the one originating cause or source.

### 3. Jurisdiction

Any dispute arising out of or under **Section 6** will be subject to determination by any Court of competent jurisdiction within Australia according to the law applicable to that jurisdiction.

### 4. Reporting and notice

A Claim will be considered to have been first reported to Us at the time You first give written notice to Us that a Claim has been made against You for such Wrongful Act.

### 5. Settlement

If You refuse to consent to any settlement recommended by Us and elect to continue any legal proceedings in connection therewith, Our liability for the Claim will not exceed the amount for which the Claim was recommended to be settled for including the costs and expenses incurred up to the date of such refusal.

### 6. Severability and non-imputation

We agree that where **Section 6** insures more than one party, any conduct on the part of any party or parties whereby such party or parties:

- (a) failed to comply with the duty of disclosure in terms of the Insurance Contracts Act 1984; or

- (b) made a misrepresentation to Us before this contract of insurance was entered into; or
- (c) failed to comply with any terms or conditions of **Section 6**;

will not prejudice the rights of the remaining party or parties to indemnity as may be provided by **Section 6**, subject to the following provisos:

- (i) such remaining party or parties be entirely innocent of and have no prior knowledge of any such conduct; and
- (ii) as soon as is reasonably practicable upon becoming aware of any such conduct advise Us in writing of all known facts in relation to such conduct.

## 7. Subrogation

When We admit a Claim under **Section 6** We will, subject to the Insurance Contracts Act 1984, be subrogated to all Your rights of recovery against all persons or organisations and You will execute and deliver instruments and papers and do all that is necessary to assist Us in the exercise of such rights.

## Special definitions

The words listed below have been given a specific meaning and apply to **Section 6** when they begin with a capital letter.

### Claim, Claims

means

- (a) a written or verbal allegation of any Wrongful Act; or
- (b) a civil proceeding commenced by the service of a complaint, summons, statement of Claim or similar pleading alleging any Wrongful Act; or
- (c) a criminal proceeding commenced by a summons or charge alleging any Wrongful Act.

### Defence Costs

means costs, charges and expenses (other than Your fees, salaries or salaries of Your employees) incurred by Us or with Our written consent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld):

- (a) in the investigation, defence, monitoring or settlement of any Claim or proceedings and appeals therefrom together with the costs of appeal;
- (b) in the legally compellable attendance by an Office Bearer at any official investigation into the affairs of Your Strata Community.

### Documents

means deeds, wills, agreements, maps, plans, records, books, letters, certificates, forms and documents of any nature whether written, printed or reproduced by any other method but does not include currency notes or negotiable instruments of any kind.

### Loss

means the amount payable in respect of a Claim made against You for a Wrongful Act and will include damages, judgements, settlements, orders for costs and Defence Costs.

### Office Bearer

means:

- (a) a person or other entity appointed by Your Strata Community to act as an Office Bearer or committee member in terms of the Strata Schemes Management Act, Strata Titles Act, Community Titles Act or similar legislation applying where the Insured Property and Common Area is situated;
- (b) a Strata Community Manager appointed as an agent of an Office Bearer and/or committee member;
- (c) a person invited by an Office Bearer and/or committee member to assist in the management of Your Strata Community affairs.

but does not include a Strata Community Manager or any other contracted person(s), firm or company when acting in their professional capacity.

### Wrongful Act

means any error, misstatement, act or omission, or neglect or breach of duty made, committed, attempted or allegedly made, committed or attempted by You or any matter claimed against You solely by reason:

- (a) of You serving as an Office Bearer or committee member or director of Your Strata Community; or
- (b) as an Office Bearer on a related building management committee provided at the time of serving as an Office Bearer on that committee You are also an Office Bearer or committee member or nominee or director of Your Strata Community.

Where any such Wrongful Act results in more than one Claim covered by Us under this or another Policy, all such Claims will jointly constitute one Loss and be deemed to have originated in the earliest Period of Insurance in which any of such Wrongful Acts is first reported to Us.



# Section 7 - Machinery breakdown

## What We cover

This Section contains **Parts A** and **B** that provide cover against the following Events that occur during the Period of Insurance.

### Section 7 - Part A

You are covered for the following Events.

1. We will pay up to the Sum Insured shown on the Schedule for **Section 7**, against Insured Damage to an Insured Item on the basis set out in "Claims - basis of settlement", including the cost of:
  - (a) (i) expediting repair including overtime working;
  - (ii) express or air freight on recognised/scheduled services;
  - (iii) replacing oil and refrigerant gas from air-conditioning units or refrigeration units;
  - (iv) hiring a temporary replacement item where such cost is necessary to maintain a vital service of Yours;

and provided that the Insured Item is:

- (b) (i) contained at Your Situation; and
- (ii) is in the ordinary course of working at the time Insured Damage occurs.

### Section 7 - Part B

Cover under **Part B** applies to You and Lot Owners. The following Events 1) and 2) of **Part B** are included in addition to the Sum Insured for **Section 7**.

#### 1. Rent

When the Common Area or a Lot has been leased out, or can be substantiated by means of a signed agreement that the Common Area or Lot would have been leased out, We will pay You and/or the Lot Owner for the Rent that is lost or would have been lost if Insured Damage occurs and the Common Area or Lot is made unfit to be occupied for its intended purpose by Insured Damage that is admitted as a claim under **Section 7**.

We will pay:

- from the time of the Insured Damage until the time the Common Area or Lot is relet following completion of repairs or replacement provided You or they demonstrate that all reasonable actions have been taken to obtain a new Tenant; or

- the amount of any reasonable rental rebate that is negotiated with an existing Tenant following the happening of Insured Damage until completion of repairs or replacement.

#### 2. Temporary accommodation

When a Lot Owner occupies their Lot We will pay the reasonable cost of Temporary Accommodation they necessarily incur if their Lot is made unfit to be occupied for its intended purpose by Insured Damage that is admitted as a claim under **Section 7**.

We will pay:

- from the time of the Insured damage until the time they reoccupy their Lot following completion of repairs or replacement.

The combined total amount We will pay under **Part B** arising out of any one Event that is admitted as a claim under **Section 7** is limited to fifteen percent (15%) of the Sum Insured for **Section 7** or such other percentage as We may agree in writing.



### Exclusions - what We do not cover

We will not pay for:

1. *Damage caused by or arising from:*
  - (a) *Wear and Tear, smut, smoke, soot, rust, corrosion, oxidisation or scale formation;*
  - (b) *Erosion, Earth Movement, sea, high water, high tide, Storm Surge, tidal wave, or Flood;*
  - (c) *an Event that is claimable under Section 1;*
  - (d) *chipping, scratching or discolouration of painted, polished or finished surfaces;*
  - (e) *the deterioration of any pre-existing crack, fracture, blister, lamination, flaw or grooving that had not previously penetrated completely through the entire thickness of the material of the Insured Item, notwithstanding that repair or renewal of the part affected may be necessary either immediately or at some future time, except where caused by Insured Damage and You did not know or should not reasonably have known of the pre-existing condition;*

- (f) *the wearing away or wasting of material caused by or naturally resulting from atmospheric conditions or ordinary use;*
  - (g) *the tightening of loose parts, recalibration or adjustments;*
  - (h) *the carrying out of tests involving abnormal stresses or the intentional overloading of any Insured Item.*
2. *Damage to:*
- (a) *glass, porcelain or ceramic components;*
  - (b) *defective tube joints or other defective joints or seams;*
  - (c) *any valve fitting, shaft seal, gland packing joint or connection except where caused directly by Insured Damage;*
  - (d) *foundations, brickwork, and refractory materials forming part of an Insured Item;*
  - (e) *television, video or audio equipment other than security system equipment;*
  - (f) *expendable items such as electrical and electronic glass bulbs, tubes, lamps and x-ray tubes;*
  - (g) *electrical contacts, fuses, heating elements, commutators, slip rings, conducting brushes, thermal expansion (TX) valves, thermostats, microprocessor and/or controller units, protective and controlling devices, over-loads, chains, belts, ropes, tyres, pressure switches, bearings, valves, valve plates, filters and dryers;*
  - (h) *computers, telecommunication transmitting and receiving equipment, Electronic Data processing equipment, electrical office machines, coin operated machines, gaming machines, storage tanks and vats, stationery and mobile pressure vessels containing explosive gases, mobile machinery, ducting, reticulating electrical wiring, water and gas piping and all other plant and equipment not owned by You;*
  - (i) *plant that has been hired or is on loan unless We specifically agree in writing.*
3. *Consequential loss of any kind other than that which is specifically stated.*
4. *Damage caused by the application of any tool or process in the course of maintenance, inspection, repair, alteration, modification or overhaul.*
5. *Damage occurring during installation or erection other than the dismantling, movement and re-erection for the purpose of cleaning, inspection, repair or installation in another position within the Situation.*
6. *Damage that is claimable from any manufacturer, supplier, engineer or other person under the provisions of any maintenance or warranty agreement.*
7. *Loss of oil, liquid or gas resulting from leakage from glands, seals, gaskets, joints or from corroded, pitted or deteriorated parts.*

8. *The cost of converting refrigeration/air-conditioning units from the use of CFC (chlorofluorocarbon) refrigerant gas to any other type of refrigerant gas.*

## Claims - basis of settlement

We will at Our option repair or replace the Insured Item or pay for the cost of same to a condition equal to but not better or more extensive than its condition immediately before the Insured Damage.

We will not make any deduction for Depreciation in respect of parts replaced.

We will not pay for the cost of any alterations, additions, improvements, modifications or overhauls.

Where components or manufacturers' specifications are no longer available due to obsolescence, the basis of settlement will be the cost of providing alternative suitable components equal to but not better or more extensive than the original component being substituted.

## Special conditions

### 1. Excess

Whenever an Excess is shown on the Schedule, You have to pay or contribute the stated amount for each loss arising out of or consequent upon that Event.

### 2. Professional fees

We will pay up to \$10,000 for the reasonable cost of professional fees and other expenses You necessarily incur with Our prior written consent in the preparation of a claim under **Section 7**.

## Special definitions

The words listed below have been given a specific meaning and these specific meanings apply to **Section 7** when the words begin with a capital letter.

### Insured Damage

means sudden and accidental physical Loss or Damage to the Insured Item that occurs during the Period of Insurance and requires repair or replacement to allow continuation of use.

### Insured Item

means:

- (a) lifts, elevators, escalators and incliners provided they are subject to a current comprehensive maintenance agreement;
- (b) all other electrical, electronic and mechanical machinery, boilers and pressure vessels and similar plant;

providing they form part of Your Insured Property or its services.

# Section 8 - Catastrophe insurance

## What We cover

### Section 8 - Part A

1. We will pay up to the Sum Insured shown on the Schedule for **Section 8**, against the unforeseen increase in the cost of Replacement of Your Insured Property if it is destroyed, or We declare it a constructive total loss, following a loss that occurs during the Period of Insurance:

- (a) due to the happening of a Catastrophe; or
- (b) other Event that occurs not later than sixty (60) days after a Catastrophe, provided Your Insured Property has been continuously insured with Us for that period;  
and
- (c) the Event giving rise to the loss is admitted as a claim under **Section 1**.

### Section 8 - Part B

Cover for Events 1) to 4) of **Part B** applies to You and Lot Owners and are included in addition to the Sum Insured for **Section 8**.

#### 1. Rent

When You have leased out or can substantiate by means of a signed agreement that You would have leased out Your Lot or Common Area We will pay the Rent You lose or would have lost if Your Lot or Common Area is damaged and made unfit to be occupied for its intended purpose:

- (a) due to the happening of a Catastrophe, or other Event referred to in Clause 1b of 'What We cover'; and
- (b) the Loss or Damage to Your Insured Property is admitted as a claim under **Section 1**.

We will pay from the time indemnity provided under Event 1) a) of **Part B** of **Section 1** is expended until the time Your Lot or Common Area is relet following completion of rebuilding, repairs or replacement provided You demonstrate You have taken all reasonable actions to obtain a new Tenant.

#### 2. Temporary accommodation

When You occupy Your Lot We will pay the reasonable cost of Temporary Accommodation You necessarily incur, including any unforeseen increase in the cost of rental of a residential Lot or similar type accommodation of substantially the same size, containing similar facilities and in an equivalent suburban environment as Your damaged Lot if Your Lot is damaged and made unfit to be occupied for its intended purpose:

- due to the happening of a Catastrophe, or other Event referred to in Clause 1b of 'What We cover'; and
- the Loss or Damage to Your Insured Property is admitted as a claim under **Section 1**.

We will pay from the time indemnity provided under Event 1) b) of **Part B** of **Section 1** is expended until the time You reoccupy Your Lot following completion of rebuilding, repairs or replacement.

#### 3. Removal, storage

We will pay for the costs You necessarily incur in:

- (a) removing any undamaged portion of Your Insured Property to the nearest place of safe keeping;
- (b) storing the undamaged portion at that place or an equivalent alternate place;
- (c) returning the undamaged portion to Your Situation when occupancy of Your Insured Property is permitted;
- (d) insuring Your undamaged Insured Property during such removal, storage and return.

We will pay if the Loss or Damage to Your Insured Property is due to:

- the happening of a Catastrophe, or other Event referred to in Clause 1b of 'What We cover'; and
- is admitted as a claim under **Section 1**.

The amount We pay will be reduced by any amount payable for such costs under **Section 1**.

#### 4. Evacuation costs

When You occupy Your Lot for residential purposes We will pay Evacuation Costs necessarily incurred by You, or any person or persons permanently residing with You at the time immediately prior to such a happening, following an order issued by a Public or Statutory Authority or Body, entity or person so empowered by law, to evacuate Your Lot:

- (a) due to the happening of a Catastrophe; and
- (b) the Loss or Damage to Your Lot is admitted as a claim under **Section 1**.

Any Evacuation Costs so payable will be reduced by any amount paid or payable by way of compensation by any Public or Statutory Authority.

The total amount We will pay under Events 1 to 4 of **Part B** arising out of any Event claimable under **Section 8** is limited to twenty percent (20%) of the Sum Insured for **Section 8** or such other percentage as We may agree in writing.

## Claims - basis of settlement

The basis upon which the amount payable as the unexpected increase in the cost of Replacement is to be calculated as the difference between:

- (a) the actual cost necessarily incurred to rebuild, repair or replace Your Insured Property following a Catastrophe, or other Event referred to in Clause 1 b of 'What We cover'; and
- (b) the greater of either:
  - (i) the cost that would have applied to rebuild, repair or replace Your Insured Property in terms of **Section 1** immediately prior to the Catastrophe; or
  - (ii) the Sum Insured in force under **Section 1** at the time of the Catastrophe, or other Event referred to in Clause 1b of 'What We cover'.

## Special provisions

1. No payment will be made under **Section 8** until such time as the greater amount determined in accordance with the provisions of **Clause b)** of 'Claims – basis of settlement' (above) has been fully expended in Replacement of Your Insured Property.
2. In certifying the cost of Replacement of Your Insured Property at the time immediately prior to a happening giving rise to a claim under **Section 8** the Qualified Valuer, Loss Adjuster or other suitably qualified person will use as the basis of certification:
  - (a) the accepted building industry cost standards or recognised cost of materials guide in force on the day immediately prior to the happening of the Catastrophe or a day as close as practicable thereto;
  - (b) any extra cost necessarily incurred to comply with any Public or Statutory Authority requirements but will not include any cost that would have been incurred in complying with orders issued prior to the happening of Loss or Damage;
  - (c) architects fees, surveyors' fees and any other professional fees;
  - (d) legal fees necessarily incurred in making submissions or applications to any Public or Statutory Authority, Builders Licensing Board, or Land and Environment Courts;
  - (e) fees, contributions or imposts required to be paid to any Public or Statutory Authority to obtain their authority to rebuild, repair or replace Your Insured Property.
3. Any differences relating to the cost of Replacement at the time immediately prior to a happening giving rise to a claim under **Section 8** may by agreement between Us be referred to the President of the Australian Property Institute Inc. who will appoint a registered and qualified valuer whose decision will, if we both so agree, be

binding and who will at the same time decide as to payment of the costs of such referral.

## Special conditions

### Terms and conditions

**Section 8** is subject to the same terms, conditions and exclusions as **Section 1** and General Exclusions except as they may be expressly varied herein.

## Special definitions

The words listed below have been given a specific meaning and apply to **Section 8** when they begin with a capital letter.

### Catastrophe

means an Event that is sudden and widespread and which causes substantial damage to property over a large area, and as a result of which the Insurance Council of Australia issues a catastrophe code.

### Evacuation Costs

means costs necessarily incurred for road, rail, air or sea transport to the designated place of evacuation and returning to Your Situation from the place of evacuation to resume permanent residency.

# Section 9 - Government audit costs and legal expenses

## Section 9 - Part A: Government audit costs

### What We cover

1. We will pay up to the Sum Insured shown on the Schedule for **Section 9 - Part A** for Professional Fees You reasonably incur with Our written consent in connection with an Audit first notified to You verbally or in writing during the Period of Insurance.  
We will not pay more than the Sum Insured for:
  - (a) any Audit first notified to You during the Period of Insurance including any such Audit notified but not finalised until a subsequent Period of Insurance;
  - (b) all Audits notified to You in any one Period of Insurance.
2. We will pay up to \$1,000 in any one Period of Insurance for Professional Fees You reasonably incur with Our written consent in connection with a Record Keeping Audit.



### Exclusions - what We do not cover

1. We will not pay for Professional Fees:
  - (a) if prior to the commencement of the Period of Insurance You, or any person acting on Your behalf:
    - (i) received any notice of a proposed Audit;
    - (ii) had information that an Audit was likely to take place;
    - (iii) had information that would indicate to a reasonable person that an Audit was likely to take place.
  - (b) if a return, or a document required to be lodged in relation to an Audit, has not been lodged:
    - (i) at all;
    - (ii) properly;
    - (iii) by the due date.
  - (c) for any Audit that is conducted specifically for the purposes of determining if a fine, penalty or prosecution should be imposed in connection with:
    - (i) any act or omission by You; or
    - (ii) any failure, act or omission arising from or in connection with Your statutory obligations.

- (d) charged by someone other than a Professional Adviser unless We have given Our prior written consent.
- (e) relating to the Audit of Your taxation and financial affairs unless the return is first lodged:
  - (i) during the Period of Insurance; or
  - (ii) not more than twelve (12) months prior to the original inception date of **Section 9**;or relates to a return for a financial year not more than three (3) years prior to the date You receive notification of an Audit.
- (f) relating to an Audit if You fail to comply with any requirement or obligation imposed upon You by any relevant legislation if a return in relation to the Audit was not prepared or reviewed by Your Professional Adviser prior to dispatch.
- (g) if You breach any conditions in this Policy, including failing to comply with any requirement imposed by any relevant legislation or failing to do what You must do if You intend to make a claim or You make a claim.

2. We will not under any circumstances pay for the cost of:
  - (a) any fines, penalties, interest or adjustment of tax, additional tax, duty, government impost or similar charges.
  - (b) any review pertaining to You maintaining any industry status, licence, membership or compliance with any employee related legislation or regulations.
  - (c) the gathering of data or information by any government, statutory body, authority or agency that is not directly part of an Audit.

### Special conditions

1. You must:
  - (a) make all efforts to comply with the relevant legislation, procedures and guidelines issued by the Australian Taxation Office, or Commonwealth, State or Territory Department, Statutory Body or Agency in relation to the maintenance of records, books and documents;
  - (b) lodge taxation and other statutory returns within the prescribed time limits or if an extension is granted within the further period granted;
  - (c) upon becoming notified of an Audit or impending Audit promptly inform Strata Community Insurance by telephone, in writing or in person.

- (d) obtain Strata Community Insurance's written approval before engaging a Professional Adviser, other than Your accountant, and notify them of all Professional Fees Your accountant proposes to charge.

2. An Audit commences:

- (a) at the time You first receive notice that an Auditor proposes to conduct an Audit; and
- (b) is completed when:
  - (i) the Auditor has given written notice to that effect; or
  - (ii) the Auditor notifies You that it has made a Final Decision of a Designated Liability; or
  - (iii) when the Auditor has issued an assessment or amended assessment of a Designated Liability

## Section 9 - Part B: Appeal expenses - health and safety breaches

### What We cover

We will pay up to the Sum Insured shown on the Schedule for **Section 9 - Part B** for Appeal Expenses You necessarily incur with Our consent in appealing against:

- (a) an improvement or prohibition notice issued to You under any workplace, occupational health, safety or similar legislation applying where Your Insured Property is situated; or
- (b) a determination made against You by a review committee, arbitrator, tribunal or Court under any workplace occupational health, safety or similar legislation applying where Your Insured Property is situated.



### We will not pay:

- i. *unless any such notice or determination is first made or first brought against You during the Period of Insurance and You report it to Us during that same period;*
- ii. *more than the Sum Insured for Part B for:*
  - *any notice or determination first made or first brought against You during the Period of Insurance including any such notice or determination not finalised until a subsequent Period of Insurance;*
  - *all notices and determinations first notified or made in any one Period of Insurance.*

The improvement or prohibition notice must arise out of Your failure to provide and maintain so far as is reasonably practicable:

- a safe working environment;

- a safe system of work;
- plant and substances in a safe condition;
- adequate facilities of a prescribed kind for the welfare of Your employees.

## Section 9 - Part C: Legal defence expenses

### What We cover

We will pay up to the Sum Insured shown on the Schedule for **Section 9 - Part C** for Legal Defence Expenses You necessarily incur with Our written consent in connection with litigation arising out of a claim first made or first brought against You:

- (a) in connection with the conduct of Your ordinary Business and affairs;
- (b) under the Competition and Consumer Act 2010 or under any other Consumer Protection Legislation;
- (c) arising out of any dispute with an employee, former employee or prospective employee:
  - (i) concerning the terms and conditions of their contract of employment or alleged contract of employment with You;
  - (ii) leading to civil or criminal proceedings under any Race Relations, Sexual Discrimination or any other Australian anti-discrimination Legislation.

Legal Defence Expenses associated with any appeal which We consent to or which We bring under Special Condition 1 are included in the Sum Insured for Part C for the Period of Insurance in which the claim under appeal was first made or brought against You.



### We will not pay:

- (a) *unless:*
  - (i) *any such claim is first made or first brought against You during the Period of Insurance;*
  - (ii) *You report it to Us during the Period of Insurance;*
  - (iii) *We agree there are reasonable grounds for the defence of any such claim.*
- (b) *more than the Sum Insured for Part C for:*
  - (i) *any claim first made or first brought against You during the Period of Insurance including any such claim not finalised, or appeal not brought or finalised, until after the Period of Insurance has expired;*
  - (ii) *all claims first made or first brought against You in any one Period of Insurance and any appeals in relation to those claims.*

## Excess and Contribution

For each and every claim made or brought against You, You must pay:

- (a) by way of Excess - the amount shown on the Schedule; plus
- (b) by way of Contribution - the percentage shown on the Schedule.

Examples based on a Sum Insured of \$50,000:	(1)	(2)	(3)
Cost of Legal Defence Expenses	\$20,000	\$50,000	\$80,000
less Your Excess (e.g. \$10,000)	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
Net fees after the deduction of the Excess	\$10,000	\$40,000	\$70,000
less Your Contribution (e.g. 10% of the net fees)	\$1,000	\$4,000	\$7,000
Amount claimable (*Sum Insured limit)	\$9,000	\$36,000	\$*50,000



## Exclusions - what We do not cover under Part C

1. *We will not pay Legal Defence Expenses for any claim:*
  - (a) *that You have defended without Our written consent;*
  - (b) *that You have defended contrary to or in a different manner from that advised by the Appointed Representative;*
  - (c) *arising from an act, omission, liability or Event for which indemnity is otherwise provided under the terms and conditions of **Section 2** (Liability to others) and **Section 6** (Office Bearers Liability) or would have been provided if **Section 2** and **Section 6** had been selected by You and shown on the Schedule;*
  - (d) *arising from circumstances that You knew of prior to the inception of **Section 9**, or that a reasonable person in the circumstances could be expected to know, to be circumstances that may give rise to a claim against You;*
  - (e) *arising from a deliberate act, including a deliberate act of fraud or dishonesty, on Your part if a judgment or other final adjudication adverse to You establishes that such act was committed or attempted by You with actual dishonest purpose or intent and was material to the cause of action so adjudicated;*

- (f) *between You and Us including Our Directors, employees or servants;*
  - (g) *that involves a conflict of duty or interest of Yours;*
  - (h) *made or threatened or in any way intimated on or before the inception date shown on the Schedule, except as otherwise provided by Special Condition 4;*
2. *We will not pay for:*
    - (a) *the cost of litigation or proceedings initiated by You;*
    - (b) *the payment of any compensation or damages of any kind and*
    - (c) *Legal Defence Expenses associated with any appeal unless the claim under appeal was first made or brought against You during the Period of Insurance.*

## Special conditions that apply to Part C

### 1. Appeal procedure

If You are dissatisfied with any decision made by a Court or Tribunal and wish to appeal against that decision, You must:

- (a) make a further written application to Us for Our written consent at least five (5) clear business days prior to the expiry of the time for instituting an appeal; or
- (b) if the time allowed by law to appeal is less than five (5) clear business days, You must advise Us as soon as practicable.

Your application or advice must state the reasons, as fully as possible, for making an appeal.

If We are dissatisfied with any decision made by a Court or Tribunal and wish to appeal that decision You must reasonably co-operate with Us in the bringing of such an appeal. In this event We will pay all costs involved.

### 2. Bill of costs

You must forward Us all bills of costs or other communications relating to fees and expenses as soon as practicable after receipt by You. If requested by Us, You will instruct the Appointed Representative to submit the bill of costs for taxation or adjudication by any relevant professional body, Court or Tribunal.

You must not without Our written approval enter into any agreement with the Appointed Representative as to the level of fees and expenses to be charged. Further You must not represent to the Appointed Representative that all fees and expenses charged to Your account are insured by this Policy.

### 3. Consent

We will not be liable to indemnify You unless You have first obtained Our specific written consent to incur Legal Defence Expenses in the defence of any claim made or brought against You. The granting of any such consent will not be unreasonably withheld.

### 4. Information to be given to the appointed representative

You will at all times and at Your own expense give to the Appointed Representative all such information and assistance as required. You will give a complete and truthful account of the facts of the case, shall supply all documentary and other evidence in Your possession relating to the claim, will obtain and sign all documents required to be obtained and signed and will attend any meetings or conferences when requested.

### 5. Jurisdiction

Any dispute arising out of or under this Policy will be subject to determination by any Court of Competent Jurisdiction within Australia according to the law applicable to that Jurisdiction.

### 6. Nomination of appointed representative

You may request Us to nominate a solicitor to act as Your Appointed Representative or if You elect to nominate Your own solicitor to act as the Appointed Representative, You must submit the name and address of that solicitor to Us. We may accept or refuse such nomination without giving a reason.

If agreement cannot be reached on the appointment the President of the Law Society within Your State will be requested to nominate an Appointed Representative. During this period We will be entitled but not bound to instruct an Appointed Representative on Your behalf if We consider it necessary to do so to safeguard Your immediate interests.

In all cases the Appointed Representative will be appointed in Your name and will act on Your behalf.

### 7. Offer of settlement

You must inform Us immediately if You receive an offer to settle a claim.

If such offer of settlement is, in Our judgment, considered to be fair and reasonable and You withhold Your agreement to such a settlement and elect to continue legal proceedings Our liability will not exceed the amount of Legal Defence Expenses incurred up to the date of such settlement offer.

Further if You refuse a recommendation by the Appointed Representative to settle a claim and elect to continue legal proceedings, Our liability will not exceed the amount of Legal Defence Expenses incurred up to the date of such refusal.

### 8. Our access to the appointed representative

You will do all things reasonably necessary to allow Us to obtain from the Appointed Representative any information, report documents or advice relating to the claim. However You will not be prejudiced if the Appointed Representative refuses to make such information, report documentation or advice available to Us on the grounds that to do so might prejudice Your interests in any litigation that is involved or may be commenced.

### 9. Recovery of legal defence expenses

If You are awarded costs, You must take all reasonable steps to recover such fees and expenses for which You are indemnified by Part C. All such fees and expenses actually recovered will be taken into account when calculating Our liability.

### 10. Reporting and notice

A specific claim will be considered to have been first reported to Us at the time You first give written notice to Us of the receipt of written or oral notice from any party or entity that it is the intention of such party or entity to hold You responsible for a civil or criminal act.

### 11. Subrogation

In the event of a payment under Part C to You or on Your behalf We will, subject to the Insurance Contracts Act 1984, be subrogated to all Your rights of recovery of Legal Defence Expenses against all persons or organisations and You will execute and deliver instruments and papers and do all that is necessary to assist Us in the exercise of such rights.

## Special definitions

The words listed below have been given a specific meaning and apply to **Section 9** when they begin with a capital letter.

#### Appeal Expenses

means legal costs, professional costs and other disbursements necessarily and reasonably incurred with Our consent in connection with a claim brought against You.

#### Appointed Representative

means a solicitor, barrister, assessor, consultant, investigator or other appropriately qualified person instructed to act on Your behalf in connection with any claim with respect to which Legal Defence Expenses are payable under **Section 9**.



### **Audit**

means an audit or investigation of Your taxation and financial affairs by the Australian Taxation Office, or by a Commonwealth, State or Territory Department, Statutory Body or Agency in relation to and following the lodgement of Your return(s), including but not limited to Business Activity Statement (BAS), Capital Gains Tax, Fringe Benefits Tax, Income Tax, Prescribed Payment and Group Tax Returns, Payroll Tax, Stamp Duty, Compliance with Superannuation Industry Supervision Act 1993 and Workers Compensation Returns.

### **Auditor**

means an officer who is authorised under Commonwealth, State or Territory legislation to carry out an Audit of Your taxation or financial affairs.

### **Business**

means the ownership of Your Common Area and Insured Property unless You otherwise advise Us and We agree to such inclusion in writing.

### **Contribution**

means the proportion of Legal Expenses incurred above the Excess which is payable by You.

### **Designated Liability**

means Your obligation to pay an amount under Commonwealth, State or Territory Legislation.

### **Final Decision**

means a written notification of the Auditors' completed views in connection with a Designated Liability and includes any written statement that is intended by the Auditor to be its findings or the basis upon which it proposes to act in connection with a Designated Liability.

### **Legal Defence Expenses**

means:

- (a) fees, expenses and other disbursements necessarily and reasonably incurred by an Appointed Representative in connection with any claim brought against You including costs and expenses of expert witnesses as well as those incurred by Us in connection with any such claim;
- (b) legal fees, expenses and other disbursements reasonably and necessarily incurred in appealing or resisting an appeal from the judgment or determination of a Court, Arbitrator or Tribunal.

### **Professional Adviser**

means:

- (a) an accountant who is a member of a nationally recognised accounting body, registered tax agent or tax consultant;
- (b) any other professional person or consultant engaged by or at the recommendation of the accountant with Our prior written approval, but does not mean You or any person working for You under a contract of employment.

### **Professional Fees**

means the reasonable and necessary fees, costs and disbursements incurred in connection with an Audit that would be payable by You to Your Professional Adviser for work undertaken in connection with an Audit, but does not mean or include fees, costs and disbursements that:

- (a) form part of an annual or fixed fee or cost arrangement; or
- (b) relate to any subsequent objection or appeal or request for review in respect of the Audit, or any assessment, amended assessment or Final Decision of the Auditor; or
- (c) were rendered by a third party in relation to which Our written consent was not obtained before those fees were incurred; or
- (d) relate to or are associated with the preparation of any accounts, financial statements or documents or to any attendance or service that would have been or would or should ordinarily or prudently have been prepared prior to or at the time that the lodgement of any return or document was required to be lodged in connection with a Designated Liability.

### **Record Keeping Audit**

means any enquiry or investigation, other than an Audit, to determine the extent of Your compliance with the record keeping requirements of relevant legislation that You have to comply with.

# Section 10 - Lot Owners' Fixtures and Improvements

## What We cover

When You have exhausted Your Sum Insured under **Part A** of **Section 1** We will pay up to the amount shown in the Schedule for **Section 10** any one Lot for:

- (a) Loss or Damage to Lot Owners' Fixtures and Improvements caused by an Event claimable under **Section 1**; and
- (b) which occurs during the Period of Insurance.

The total amount We will pay under **Section 10** arising out of any one Event that is admitted as a claim is limited to ten percent (10%) of the Sum Insured for **Section 1** or such other percentage as We may agree in writing.

**Section 10** is subject to the same terms, conditions and exclusions as **Section 1** and General Exclusions except as they may be expressly varied herein.

## Claims - basis of settlement

If Lot Owners' Fixtures and Improvements are lost or damaged, We may choose to either replace, repair or pay the amount it would cost to replace or repair.

The amount We pay under **Section 10** will be the cost of Replacement at the time of Replacement subject to the following provisions:

- (a) The necessary work of replacing or repairing must be commenced and carried out without unreasonable delay;
- (b) If You cause unreasonable delays in commencing or carrying out Replacement or repair, We will not pay any extra costs that result from that delay;
- (c) Where materials used in the original construction are not readily available We will use the nearest equivalent available;
- (d) When We wish to replace or repair and You do not want this to occur We will only pay Indemnity Value.



*We will not pay for the cost to:*

- (i) *replace undamaged Lot Owners' Fixtures and Improvements;*
- (ii) *replace or repair illegal installations.*

## Special definition

The words listed below have been given a specific meaning and apply to **Section 10** when they begin with a capital letter.

### **Lot Owners' Fixtures and Improvements**

means any fixture or structural improvement, other than Floating Floors, installed by a Lot Owner for their exclusive use and which is permanently attached to or fixed to Your Building so as to become legally part of it, including any improvements made to an existing fixture or structure.

# Section 11 - Loss of Lot market value

## What We cover

If during the Period of Insurance Your Insured Property suffers Loss by an Event claimable under **Section 1** and permission to rebuild is limited or restricted under an Ordinance or Regulation issued by a Public or Statutory Authority We will if the Loss results in:

(a) a total loss or constructive total loss of Your Insured Property and Your Strata Community Title and all Lot Titles are terminated; or

(b) a partial loss resulting in some but not all Lot Titles being terminated;

pay You the difference between:

(i) the Market Value of the Lot(s) immediately prior to the happening of Loss;

and

(ii) the amount calculated on the percentage that the Lot(s) entitlement bears to the total Strata Community entitlement in respect of:

- the Sum Insured for **Section 1** on the basis of Agreed Value; and
- the Market Value of the Strata Community land following Loss.

The total amount We will pay for all Lots shall not exceed the Sum Insured shown on the Schedule for **Section 11**.

### Example 1 – All Lots titles are terminated:

Market Value of all Lots prior to loss occurring	\$10,000,000
less Sum Insured payout under Section 1	\$7,000,000
less sale/value of land	\$2,000,000
net loss of Market Value	\$1,000,000

Amount recoverable if the Sum Insured under Section 11 is:

a) \$1,000,000 or greater	\$1,000,000
b) \$500,000	\$500,000

### Example 2 – One Lot title is terminated:

Market Value of the individual Lots prior to loss occurring	\$1,000,000
less Lot entitlement to Section 1	\$700,000
less Lot entitlement to sale/value of land	\$200,000
net loss of Market Value	\$100,000

Amount recoverable if the Sum Insured under Section 11 is:

a) \$1,000,000 or greater	\$100,000
b) \$500,000	\$100,000

## Special conditions

1. (a) At the inception of **Section 11** You must at Your own cost provide Us with a valuation detailing:

(i) the Market Value of all individual Lots;

(ii) the Replacement cost of Your Insured Property under **Section 1**; and

(iii) the Market Value of Your land following the imposition of an Ordinance or Regulation by a Public or Statutory Authority.

You are required to update such valuation not less than once in any one five (5) year period

(b) Following Loss no payment will be made under **Section 11** until such time as all or specific Lot Titles have been terminated and a valuation has been provided to Us detailing:

(i) the Market Value of Lots where Title has been terminated at the time immediately prior to Loss; and

(ii) the Market Value of Your land after Loss.

These valuations must be certified by a specialist valuer who is registered and qualified to carry out such valuations in accordance with accepted valuation practices of the Australian Property Institute Inc.

2. Any differences relating to such valuations may by agreement between us be referred to the President of either the Australian Property Institute Inc. who will appoint a registered and qualified valuer whose decision will, if we both so agree, be final and binding and who will at the same time decide as to payment of the costs of such referral.

## Special definitions

### Market Value

means the price reasonably obtainable for property in the general market.

### Title

means a certificate or instrument issued by the Registrar or Registrar-General in terms of the Strata Schemes Management Act, Strata Titles Act, Community Titles Act or similar legislation applying where Your Insured Property and Common Area is situated that evidences the ownership of:

(a) Your land and/or common property, and

(b) each Lot forming part thereof.



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