# Christmas Lights Insurance Policy Wording



# **EVENT INSURANCE SERVICES LTD**

#### Who are Event Insurance Services Ltd

Event Insurance Services Limited is a specialised intermediary operating within the private and corporate sectors. Our policies provide affordable, reliable insurance, tailored to fit the scale and style of the occasion.

This is our Christmas Lights Insurance Policy, a comprehensive event insurance policy for those organising and responsible for a Christmas Lights and Tree display.

This document contains the terms and conditions of the policy. We don't use any small print. All our T's & C's are all the same size. We aim to provide examples and help texts for key pieces of information.

Here to Help! – any content within the wording, highlighted in this fashion does not form part of the contract. These notes are here to help you and provide additional information, to make certain sections or phrases easier to understand.



#### This Insurance...

This insurance is arranged by Event Insurance Services Ltd & underwritten by UK General Insurance Limited on behalf of Great Lakes Insurance SE. Great Lakes Insurance SE is a German insurance company with its headquarters at Königinstrasse 107, 80802 Munich. UK Branch office: Plantation Place, 30 Fenchurch Street, London, EC3M 3AJ.

Event Insurance Services Ltd is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority.

UK General Insurance Limited is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority. Firm Reference No. 310101. **You** can check **Our** details on the Financial Services Register https://register.fca.org.uk/.

Great Lakes Insurance SE, UK Branch, is authorised by Bundesanstalt für Finanzdienstleistungsaufsicht and subject to limited regulation by the Financial Conduct Authority and Prudential Regulation Authority. Firm Reference No. 769884. Details about the extent of their regulation by the Financial Conduct Authority and Prudential Regulation Authority are available on request.

In return for the payment of Your Premium, **We** will provide the insurance cover detailed in this policy document, subject to the terms, conditions, and limitations shown below or as amended in writing by **Us** and during the period of cover.

#### Some Important Telephone numbers for you:

For Sales & Renewals:

01425 470 360

For Customer Services & Queries:

01425 470 360

To make or discuss a Claim:

01425 470 360

To make or discuss a Complaint:

01425 470 360



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# **HOW TO USE THIS WORDING**

Policy terms and conditions can be confusing. We have endeavoured to make it easier by explaining how to use this booklet and where you can find the information you need.

"Knowing what you are and aren't covered for is essential to any insurance policy or quotation"

Dan Rose Cert CII, Event Insurance Services Ltd, Company Director

#### **Your Documents**

This document should be read in conjunction with two others which you have received with your policy or quotation. These documents form the basis of the contract of the policy. These documents are:

- Your Policy Certificate or Your Quotation,
- Your Statement of Fact

Your **Policy Certificate** or Your Quote will provide you with important information; it will tell you who we are covering and which of our protections you have taken out, and how much you are covered up to in the event of a claim.

When looking at the policy terms and conditions it is important that you check the quote or certificate, so you know which sections you need to read and refer to

For example: If you have only taken out Public Liability, you only need to refer to Section 1 - Public Liability, and not the other Sections of cover...

Your **Statement of Fact** is your copy of the information you have declared to us. It is this information which we have based our decision to provide you with the insurance or a quotation. It is vital that you make sure the information contained within this document is correct.

#### **Important Words**

In insurance, words or phrases can have special, specific meanings. If something has a special meaning, it is usually because it differs from that of a standard dictionary definition.

These words we highlight in **bold** and have their meanings explained in a glossary, or in some form of help text. The list of special words which we have put together can be found on page 7. Important definitions can affect your policy.

#### Where to find what you're covered for...

When looking at your documents it is important to make sure you know which sections of the wording you need to read.

We have split out our cover into 'Sections'. You could take out a single section of cover, for example, Public Liability, or you could take out Public Liability, Employers Liability, Equipment cover, and Cancellation cover all together.

Each of these sections have their own set of exclusions; which are not covered. This can be an activity at an event like a Bouncy Castle, or a cause of a claim for example damage from Vandalism.



Also included within each section, are any extensions which we may be offering, such as Indemnity to Principal which you may have been asked to make sure is included by your venue or local authority.

In addition to each Sections' individual exclusions, there are certain things which we don't cover that apply to the whole policy such as War. If something is damaged, a person injured, or an event is cancelled because of War it is not something we cover. These are known as General Exclusions

Our policy document lays out our <u>General Exclusions</u> in their own 'chapter' before you get down to the ins and outs of each individual section.

#### What to do if you need to claim

If you experience an incident at your event causing you to have to claim under a liability or property section, or your event is jeopardised and needs to be cancelled you need to know what to do to make a claim.

Our claims chapter outlines what you need to do, what information you need to provide us and what our responsibilities are. Common things to be aware of are:

- Time frames how long you must report a claim to us.
- Salvage Our right to see or take ownership items involved in a claim.
- Evidence All claims require a degree of evidence to ensure that the claim is honest and covered under the terms of the policy.

It is always worth reading this so you are prepared should you need to use the policy.

The last thing to be aware of is that **we** do need to be notified of any incident which takes place and could give rise to a claim in the future. As an example, someone can try to claim against public liability for a **bodily injury** for up to three years after the **event.** Not telling us about incidents or problems could affect your position should a claim eventually be made.

#### Conditions of cover

In the same way there are conditions when it comes to making a claim i.e. what you need to do in the event of a claim; there are also conditions which apply to the purchase of the policy and what you should do leading up to the event.

These are things like:

- What to do if you need to cancel the insurance.
- Informing us of any changes to the event.
- Explain what basic precautions you need to take when managing the events
  - Making sure you prepare and tidy up the venue,
  - o Supervise and train your Volunteers, Helpers and Employees,
  - o Comply with any manufactures guidelines and instructions of equipment,
  - o Run the event in line with all 'regulatory' requirements such as health and safety procedures.

By taking out the policy, you are agreeing to these conditions, so do make sure you read and understand them. If there are ever any elements of these conditions (known as <u>General Conditions</u>) or the <u>Claim Conditions</u> which you don't understand, do let us know and we can explain them to you.



#### **Regulatory Information**

As an authorised and regulated company, we must provide you with details about our regulation, who we are, our contact details and what to do if you are not happy with the coverage in the event of a claim. This information is detailed at the end of the policy document.

#### What you should do next...

We strongly recommend that You read this Policy and keep it in a safe place.

Your Policy and certificate should be read carefully to ensure that it meets Your requirements. You must take care to provide Us with accurate information which is correct to the best of Your knowledge. Please check all the Policy details carefully, these set out the information You have given Us.

If You think there is a mistake, or You need to make changes, You should notify Us immediately. Failure to provide correct information or inform Us of any changes could adversely affect Your Policy, including invalidating Your Policy or causing claims to be rejected or not fully paid.

It is also Your responsibility to ensure that this Policy satisfies the requirements of the Venue(s) or local council, if applicable.

If, after reading this Policy, this insurance does not meet Your requirements, please return this Policy and Your certificate to Event Insurance Services Ltd within fourteen days of the date of issue, before the Event Date and providing no claim has been made. Your premium will then be refunded in full. No refund of any part of the premium can be made after the expiry of the 14-day cooling off period.





# IMPORTANT DEFINITIONS

#### Words or phrases used within this document which have a special meaning.

From this point on in the wording, if a word is highlighted in bold, it will have a meaning which can be found here.

If we have not given a word any special meaning, then you should refer to the Oxford English Dictionary for its meaning as that is what would be referred to if necessary, in the event of any claim.

#### **Aggregate**

Where multiple persons effected by an incident, are treated as a single claim and any settlement is distributed between them.

#### **Bodily Injury**

Death, illness, disease, or physical damage to a person's body.

#### **Event**

The planned public occasion or social gathering which **you** are either organising or attending which is described and outlined within the **Statement of Fact**, taking place on the **Event Date(s)**.

#### **Event Date(s)**

The dates specified within the **Statement of Fact** as the date(s), the **Event** is open to the public.

#### **Geographical Limits**

Anywhere in Great Britain, Northern Ireland, The Channel Islands, and the Isle of Man.

#### **Period of Insurance**

The period as shown as the Insurance Date on the **Policy Certificate**.

#### **Policy**

The insurance cover outlined in this document, the **Policy Certificate**, and **Statement of Fact**.

#### **Policy Certificate**

A document which provides **You** with your proof of insurance. It details the types and levels of cover **You** have purchased and summarises key details about the **Event.** 

#### **Pollution/Contamination**

The introduction of a harmful or damaging substance into the **Venue** or its surrounding and connecting environment, structures, water, land, or atmosphere.

#### **Statement of Fact**

Your responses to our fact finding, and the declaration on which **We** have based **Our** decision to offer you insurance. Information on this document which is either inaccurate, incorrect, or out-of-date could invalidate your insurance or lead to a claim not being fully paid.

#### Venue

The location or locations where the **Event** is to be held which appears in the **Statement of Fact**.

#### We, Us, Our, Insurers

UK General Insurance Ltd and/or Event Insurance Services Ltd on behalf of Great Lakes Insurance SE.

#### You, Your, Insured

The person or persons, members club, organisation or company listed on the certificate as Name of the Insured



# **GENERAL EXCLUSIONS**

These are things which are <u>not</u> covered under this Policy and apply to every Section of cover We offer.

It is important that You read these, as well as the exclusions which apply just to the sections which you have cover for. You can always check which Sections you are and aren't covered for on you Policy Certificate.

#### 1. Radiation

Any direct or indirect consequence of:

Irradiation, or contamination by nuclear material; or

The radioactive, toxic, explosive, or other hazardous or contaminating properties of any radioactive matter; or

Any device or weapon which employs atomic or nuclear fission or fusion or other comparable reaction or radioactive force or matter.

#### 2. War

Any direct or indirect consequence of war, civil war, invasion, acts of foreign enemies (whether war be declared or not), rebellion, revolution, insurrection, military or usurped power, or confiscation, nationalisation, requisition, destruction of or damage to property by or under the order of any government, local or public authority.

#### 3. Terrorism

Any direct or indirect consequence of terrorism as defined by the Terrorism Act 2000 and any amending or substituting legislation.

#### 4. Deliberate Acts

Loss or Damage caused intentionally by You, or by anyone working on Your behalf.

#### 6. Existing Damage

Loss or Damage occurring prior to the commencement of  ${\bf Your}$  insurance cover.

#### 7. Sonic Pressure

Loss or Damage from pressure waves caused by aircraft or other flying devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds.

#### 8. Secondary Losses

We do not cover any additional or supplementary losses as the result of any claim under this policy.

Secondary Losses are also known as "Consequential Losses" in insurance jargon. Examples of Secondary Losses could be a loss of earnings following a damaged item or venue. It could be the cost of phone calls made following the theft of a phone.



#### 9. Wear and Tear

Loss or damage because of naturally occurring wear, aging, rusting or corrosion, wet or dry rot, fungus or anything which causes damage over time.

#### 10. Domestic Pets

Loss, damage or **Bodily Injury** caused by domestic pets, insects or vermin.

#### 11. Electronic Data

Any consequence, however caused, including but not limited to a computer virus resulting in electronic data being lost, destroyed, distorted, altered, or otherwise corrupted. For the purposes of this **Policy**, electronic data shall mean facts, concepts and information stored to form useable for communications, interpretations, or processing by electronic or electromechanical data processing or other electronically controlled hardware, software and other coded instructions for the processing and manipulation of data, or the direction and manipulation of such hardware. For the purposes of this **Policy**, computer virus shall mean a set of corrupting, harmful, or otherwise unauthorised instructions or code, whether these have been introduced maliciously or otherwise, and multiply themselves through a computer system or network of whatsoever nature.

#### 12. Unexplained Losses or Damage

We will not cover any damage or loss which is unexplained, the result of a disappearance or discrepancies.

An example of an unexplained damage would be where, an item is damaged at a venue, however neither you or the venue are unable to prove how, when, or why the damage happened, or who caused it.

#### 13. Recoverable Losses

Any sums recoverable from any other source.

#### 14. Contractual Disputes

Disputes, arguments or contractual breaches between You and Your Event suppliers/contractors.

#### 15. Voluntary Losses

Property or costs which **You** are not legally responsible for.





# **SECTION 1 – PUBLIC LIABILITY**

The Policy Certificate will state whether this section is included in your Policy.

#### What is Covered

We cover claims made against **You**, because of **Your** proven negligence, which result in **You** being legally responsible for causing:

- A. accidental bodily injury which occurs to a member of the public;
- B. or accidental damage to property not belonging to you;
- C. or accidental obstruction, trespass, nuisance, or interference with any right of way, air, light water, or other easement;
- D. or accidental false imprisonment;

The policy will respond to pay damages, claimants costs and expenses as well as offering defence costs.

Claims which arise out of the same cause of Pollution or Contamination or which feature food & drink are taken together and treated as a single claim.

What is negligence? It is a legal term which relates to a breach of a duty of care which results in damage or injury. Under the public liability, it is your negligence we are covering.

#### What is not covered

The following exclusions apply to this section of cover, in addition to the General Exclusions.

Part 1 - We do not cover any legal liability arising from:

- A. any Product or service related liability, other than for the provision of food and drink consumed at the event; this is including, but not limited to:
  - i. The sale, supply or hiring out of goods or services,
  - ii. the manufacturing, testing, altering, repairing, or servicing of goods or services,
  - iii. the installation, erection, packaging, dismantling transportation, or storage of goods,

Unless agreed by us, by endorsement to the Policy Certificate.

- B. the loss of or damage to property held in trust by **You** or under **Your** custody or control;
- C. liability or damage relating to the ownership, possession or use by **You** or on **Your** behalf of any motor vehicle, trailer, mobile machine, or plant equipment.
- **D.** any liability or damage arising from any professional negligence, advice, malpractice, design, treatment, or specification other than for first aid facilities at the **Event**;
- E. liability in respect of **Pollution or Contamination** other than caused by a sudden identifiable, unintended, and unexpected incident which takes place in its entirety at a specific time and place during the **Period of Insurance**. All **Pollution or Contamination**, which arises out of one incident shall be deemed to have occurred at the time such incident takes place;
- **F.** any liability which is assumed by **You** by an agreement or contract which may increase your liability or agrees to cost for circumstances outside of the terms of this **Policy**;



An example of Liability assumed by You by an agreement of contract would be if you entered into a contract making you responsible for <u>all</u> damages and costs, regardless of how they are caused. If you agree this, and sign the contract, you have agreed to things not included within this Policy

- **G.** any wilful or malicious act or any act of vandalism resulting in:
  - i. damage at, or to the Venue
  - ii. Bodily injury whilst at the Event and within the Period of Insurance,
- H. any liability arising from the effects of any intoxicating drink or drugs of any kind.
- I. any damage to flooring or ground at the Venue, except damage to carpets or rugs;
- J. any damage to underground services;
- **K.** any liability in respect of damage because of electrical or mechanical breakdown due to mechanical wear and tear and/or lack of maintenance.
- L. damage occurring because of the cleaning, repairing or restoration of any damaged and/or soiled property.
- M. any liability arising from any strike, labour disturbance, protest or locked out workers.
- N. any claims below the amount stated on the **Policy Certificate** as the excess of the section. The excess will also be deducted from any claims settlement made to **You**, except for **Bodily Injury** claims.
- O. the erection and dismantling of lights other than by a professional, fully qualified, **Insured** and approved electrical contractor (NICEIC & ECA);
- P. Any incident occurring during the erection and dismantling of lights, tree displays or associated equipment.

#### **Extensions**

We have extended Public Liability to automatically include the following:

#### **Hired Venues**

We will provide insurance in respect of Your legal liability for loss of or damage to the buildings or contents at the Venue hired for conducting the Event, but not if the terms of any hire agreement make You responsible for or require You to Insure against such loss or damage at the Venue, unless You would have been liable without such agreement.

#### **Indemnity to Principal**

If **You** enter into any contract or agreement with a Principal responsible for the **Venue** or the organisation of the **Event**, **We** will, if the contract or agreement so requires, and at **Your** request, provide insurance in the terms of this **Policy** in respect of claims brought against such Principal, caused by **Your** negligence and arising in connection with the **Event**, provided that the Principal shall observe, fulfil and be subject to the terms provisions and conditions of the section insofar as they apply.

Should a claim be incorrectly submitted to one of your suppliers, venue or even a local authority; however, you, as our client are at fault and the incident is insurable under our policy; we will look to indemnify the third party, as if they were insured under this policy. That is what Indemnity to Principal looks to do.

#### **Member to Member Cover**

If **You** are a members club, committee or association, then in the event of one of **Your** members making a claim against another member of **Your** club, committee or association (providing suitable evidence of membership of



the club, association or committee can be provided, such as minutes of meetings, registers and joining document), the cover under this section will apply as if a separate **Policy** had been issued to each member.

#### Conditions specific to this section

Conditions that are applicable to the policy are a "condition precedent". This means they form part of the contract of insurance. Should you breach or not comply with these conditions You may not be covered, if you need to make a claim.

#### **Third Parties**

You must ensure any **Third Party** who **You** engage at or for the **Event** hold their own third party liability insurance to cover their participation in the **Event**. **You** must obtain evidence of the relevant policy and record the name of the insurer, policy number, level of cover and expiry date before the commencement of the **Event** and their arrival on site.

#### **Right of Recovery**

**You** must not waive or in any way impair **Your** right of recovery from any other party in connection with any claim or part of a claim and **You** must make available to **Us** if required, a copy of any contract or agreement into which **You** enter with any party, in connection with the **Event**.



# IMPORTANT CONDITIONS

This information forms part of the 'contract' of insurance. When you take out the policy you do so agreeing to the following conditions.

# **Necessary Precautions**

It is a condition of this policy that **You** must:

A. Take all necessary precautions to prevent or reduce the likelihood of a loss, destruction, damage, accident, or injury from occurring,

To give you some idea of what we mean, this clause involves taking practical steps to prevent something going wrong at the event. For example, precautions for reducing the likelihood of an injury could include examining fire safety or conducting risk assessments where necessary.

- B. Maintain the **Venue** (including its fixtures & fittings), machinery, **Event Equipment** in a good and safe state of repair whilst in **Your** custody, care, and control,
- C. Take care in the selection, supervision, and training of any **Employees**.
- D. Comply with any manufacturers guidelines and instructions of any Event Equipment used at the Event,
- E. Comply with all relevant statutory requirements i.e. lawful requirements relating to the safety of persons and property used at and during the **Event.**

# Change Of Risk or Interest

The **Policy** was agreed based upon information contained within the **Statement of Fact** and that **You** have an insurable interest in the event.

The **Policy** may become void and cease to be in effect if **you** do not contact **us** in relation to one of the circumstances below,

- A. Your Interest in the Event ends,
- B. The Insured (You) is being wound up, carried on by a liquidator, or permanently discontinued.
- C. any alteration be made either in the **Event** or at the **Venue** or in any property therein or in any other circumstances whereby the risk is increased.
- D. if any information on the **Statement of Fact** is incorrect or has changed between when the policy was issued and the date cover is due to start.

You can contact Us via the phone on 01425 470360 or via email by sending it <a href="mailto:info@events-insurance.co.uk">info@events-insurance.co.uk</a>. If You need to notify us of a change of risk.

# **Policy Cancellation Details**

Insurance policies can be cancelled by **You** and on occasion by **Us.** The information below will detail **Your** rights and **ours** when it comes to cancelling a **policy.** 

#### If You choose to cancel...

If **You** decide that for any reason, this policy does not meet **Your** insurance needs then please return it to the administrator/**Your** agent within 14 days from the day of purchase or the day on which **You** receive **Your** policy



documentation, whichever is the later. On the condition that no claims have been made or are pending, **Your** administrator / agent will then refund **Your** premium in full.

If **You** wish to cancel **Your** Policy after 14 days, **You** may be not be entitled to any return of premium. If **We** do offer a refund, **You** would be subject to a £25 administration fee taken from any return of premium **We** offer.

#### Acceptance of Risks

**We** shall not be bound to accept renewal of any insurance and may at any time cancel any insurance document by giving 14 days' notice in writing where there is a valid reason for doing so.

#### If We choose to cancel...

...this **Policy** a cancellation letter will be sent to you at **Your** last known address and via email to the email address **We** have on file.

Valid reasons may include but are not limited to:

- A. Where we reasonably suspect fraud,
- B. Non-payment of premium,
- C. Threatening and abusive behaviour,
- D. Non-compliance with policy terms and conditions,
- E. You have not taken reasonable care to provide complete and accurate answers to the questions we ask

Where **Our** investigations provide evidence of fraud or a serious non-disclosure, **We** may cancel the policy immediately and backdate the cancellation to the date of the fraud or the date when **You** provided **Us** with incomplete or inaccurate information, which may result in **Your** policy being cancelled from the date **You** originally took it out.

If **We** cancel the **Policy** and/or any additional covers **You** will receive a refund of any premiums **You** have paid for the cancelled cover, less a proportionate deduction for the time **We** have provided cover, unless the reason for cancellation is fraud and/or misrepresentation **We** are entitled to keep the premium under the Consumer Insurances (Disclosure and Representations) Act 2012 or the Insurance Act 2015.

### Choice of Law

Unless some other law is agreed in writing, English law governs this **Policy**. If there is a dispute, it will only be dealt with in the courts of England or of the country within the United Kingdom in which **Your** address provided on the **Statement of Fact** is situated.

# Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999.

A person or company who is not a party to this **Policy** has no right under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this **Policy** but this does not affect any right or remedy of a third party which exists or is available apart from that Act.



# **CLAIMS**

This section details not only how to make a claim, but also conditions which apply to the policy relating to claims.

Any loss, or incident which takes place at Your Event, regardless of whether or not someone is trying to make a claim against you; or you have decided to cover the loss yourself; it should be communicated to us.

You should aim to do this as soon as possible, no later than 31 days after the Event Date(s). If you don't notify us, you run the risk of your claims being declined from the outset.

#### How to make a claim

Please contact Event Insurance Services Ltd using the details below:

Write to: Event Insurance Services Ltd Claims Services, FREEPOST, Ringwood, Hants BH24 1AJ

Or call via 01425 470 360

Or send an email to info@events-insurance.co.uk

Event Insurance Services Ltd are open 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday.

**Your** claim will be handled promptly and by experienced claim handling staff. Event Insurance Services Ltd operates an in-house claims service, committed to meeting **Your** expectations if a claim must be made and ensures the highest standards are maintained.

After **Your** initial contact to **Us,** they will advise **You** on what information may be required and what the next steps will be.

For **Your** information, UK General Insurance Ltd is an agent of Great Lakes Insurance SE and in the matters of a claim act on behalf of Great Lakes Insurance SE.

# Conditional applicable to the claims process

As with the other conditions applicable to the policy, make sure you read and are happy with these because they form part of the contact of insurance along with the conditions in the previous chapter.

#### Actions by the **Insured**

It is a condition of the **policy** and the liability provided by **us** that **you** shall:

- A. Immediately notify **Us** of any incident which could result in a claim under this **policy**;
- B. Immediately notify **Us** of a claim with and deliver to **Us** (at **Your** expense) any evidence as may be necessary for **Us**, and, if required, a statutory declaration of the truth of the claim and any connected or related matters,
- C. Notification, to **Us** of a claim must be given within:
  - 7 days of the Event giving rise to the claim, in the case of loss, destruction, damage, accident or injury caused by riot, civil commotion, strikers, locked out workers, persons taking part in labour disturbances or malicious persons;



- ii. 30 days of the **Event** giving rise to the claim in the case of any other claim, or such further time as **We** may allow; and notwithstanding items b i to ii above, the **Insured** shall immediately forward any claim by a third party or notice of any proceedings or any other correspondence and information received by the **Insured** relating to such claim on receipt;
- D. Give immediate notification to the police for the following types of incidents:
  - i. Vandalism,
  - ii. Theft or attempted theft,
  - iii. Loss of money by any cause in relation to the event and this policy,

And provide police reports, to provide police reports for all losses arising from theft or attempted theft. for all losses arising from theft or attempted theft.

- E. Make no admission of liability, offer, promise or payment without **Our** written consent;
- F. Inform **Us** immediately of any impending prosecution, inquest or fatal accident enquiry or civil proceedings and send to **us** immediately every relevant document,
- G. Provide **us** with books of account, health & safety documentation or any other information which may be necessary for Us to investigate or verify the claim,
- H. Take all steps to recover lost property and otherwise minimise the claim,
- I. supply a minimum of two quotes for repair or replacement of any damaged property or equipment from two independent companies.

#### **Claims Enquiries**

You must take reasonable care to:

- A. supply accurate and complete answers to all the questions **Your** agent may ask as part of **Your** application for cover under the policy
- B. to make sure that all information supplied as part of Your application for cover is true and correct
- C. tell Your agent of any changes to the answers You have given as soon as possible.

You must take reasonable care to provide information that is accurate and complete answers to the questions We ask when You take out, make changes to, and renew Your policy. If any information You provide is not accurate and complete, this may mean Your policy is invalid and that it does not operate in the event of a claim or We may not pay any claim in full.

If **You** become aware that information **You** have given **Your** agent is inaccurate or has changed, **You** must inform them as soon as possible.

#### Fraud and Fraudulent Claims

You must not act in a fraudulent way. If You or anyone acting for you:

- A. fails to reveal or hides a fact likely to influence whether **We** accept **Your** proposal, **Your** renewal, or any adjustment to **Your policy**;
- B. fails to reveal or hides a fact likely to influence the cover **We** provide;
- C. makes a statement to **Us** or anyone acting on **our** behalf, knowing the statement to be false;
- D. sends **Us** or anyone acting on our behalf a document, knowing the document to be forged or false;
- E. makes a claim under the policy, knowing the claim to be false or fraudulent in any way;
- F. makes a claim for any loss or damage You caused deliberately or with Your knowledge; or
- G. If Your claim is in any way dishonest or exaggerated,



We will not pay any benefit under this policy or return any premium to You and We may cancel Your Policy immediately and backdate the cancellation to the date of the fraudulent claim. We may also take legal action against You and inform the appropriate authorities.

#### Conditions precedent

Every condition precedent to which this **Policy** or any section or item thereof is, or may be, made subject shall, from the time the condition precedent attaches, apply and continue to be in force during the whole currency of this **Policy**. Non-compliance with any such condition precedent shall be a bar to any claim under the relevant section(s) of this **Policy**, where the subject matter of the claim was caused by the non-compliance or to the extent that the non-compliance increased it.

#### Subrogation

On receipt of a notification of a claim, **We** may do the following:

- a) Enter any building following loss or damage
- b) Negotiate, defend, or settle any claim made against You
- c) Prosecute in Your name for Our benefit, any other person in respect of any claim We may have to pay
- d) Appoint a loss adjuster to handle the claim on Our behalf
- e) Arrange to repair the damage to the Building and/or any other property or item and handle any salvage appropriately.

#### Other insurances

If **You** have any other insurance which covers the same loss, damage or liability, **We** will only pay **Our** proportionate share of any claim.

#### Arbitration

A dispute between **You** and **Us** may arise, which may be referred to an arbitrator, who shall be either a solicitor or a barrister who **You** and **We** agree on in writing. If an arbitrator cannot be agreed then an arbitrator will be appointed by the authorised body identified in the current arbitration legislation. The decision of the arbitration shall be final and binding on both parties and he or she will decide who should pay the costs of the arbitration. If costs are awarded against **You**, they are not covered under this policy. This arbitration condition does not affect **Your** rights to take separate legal action.

If a disputed claim is not referred to arbitration within 12 months of **Your** claim being turned down, **We** will treat the claim as abandoned.

#### Partially damaged items

At **Our** discretion, in the event an item or piece of property is only partially damaged **We** will look to cover the costs of the damaged aspects only, rather than cover the full replacement cost. If the damage is severe enough that the item cannot be salvaged, repaired and used, **We** will cover the complete loss. It is **Your** responsibility to attempt to salvage, repair and use the damaged item where possible.

If a marquee sustains damage to a panel, and the others along with the frame are all fine and fully functional; We will aim to cover the cost of the replacement panel, rather than the whole marquee. The Policy would not cover for the replacement value of the whole product unless the item couldn't be repaired. Any settlement value would also be on a like for like basis, not new for old.



# Helping you prepare to make a claim

The evidence we may need to support your claim changes depending on the type of claim and the circumstances surrounding it. In addition, after certain information is provided to **us**, it could lead to additional investigations taking place and more information being required.

Dealing with claims can be a stressful time for anyone, so we would like to help you to be prepared as possible, should you need to make a claim.

Here are a few items that you may be asked for, depending on the type of claim you make:

- Receipts for payments made and/or copies of bank statements
- Copies of contracts and correspondence between you and your suppliers
- Medical certificates and relevant supporting evidence
- Weather reports
- Photographs
- Screenshots and information available on social media sites that could help support your claim
- Copies of estimates for repair and/or replacement of damaged items
- Copies of Risk Assessments, Accident Books & First Aid reports

This is not a definitive list; however, it covers most of the information that is commonly requested.

You are welcome to contact The Event Insurance Services Ltd.'s specialist Claims team with any queries that you may have, and they'll be happy to help you



# WHAT TO DO IF YOU'RE NOT HAPPY

We always aim to provide the highest possible standards of service, and we welcome all feedback from our customers.

#### Our track record

Event Insurance Services is signed up to Trust Pilot; an independent, online review website.

We are really pleased to be able to say that we have an excellent response from our clients, with almost 2,000 reviews.

We have a rating of 9.5 out of ten; with 85% of our clients giving us five stars.

# How to complain

It is the intention to give **You** the best possible service but if **You** do have any questions or concerns about this insurance or the handling of a claim **You** should follow the Complaints Procedure below:

Complaints regarding:

#### SALE OF THE POLICY OR CLAIMS (EXCEPT LIABILITY CLAIMS)

Please contact Your agent who arranged the Insurance on Your behalf.

If **Your** complaint about the sale of **Your Policy** cannot be resolved by the end of the next working day, **Your** agent will pass it to:

**Event Insurance Services Ltd, FREEPOST Ringwood Hants BH24 1AJ** 

Tel: 01425 470360 (9.00am – 5.00pm Monday – Friday)

Email: info@events-insurance.co.uk

If You did not use and agent, please contact Event Insurance Services Ltd directly, using the details above.

FOR LIABILITY CLAIMS, PLEASE CONTACT:

**Langleys Solicitors LLP** 

Queens House, Micklegate, York YO1 6WG

Tel: 01904 686790

Email: ukg@langleysclaimsservices.com

In all correspondence please state that **Your** insurance is provided by UK General Insurance Limited and quote scheme reference **06678A**.

If it is not possible to reach an agreement, **You** have the right to make an appeal to the Financial Ombudsman Service. This also applies if **You** are **Insured** in a business capacity and have an annual turnover of less than £2 million and fewer than ten staff. **You** may contact the Financial Ombudsman Service at:



The Financial Ombudsman Service Exchange Tower London E14 9SR

Tel: 0300 123 9 123

Email: complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk

Website: www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk

The above complaints procedure is in addition to **Your** statutory rights as a consumer. For further information about **Your** statutory rights contact **Your** local authority Trading Standards Service or Citizens Advice Bureau.

#### Compensation Scheme

Great Lakes Insurance SE is covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). **You** may be entitled to compensation from the scheme, if Great Lakes Insurance SE cannot meet their obligations. This depends on the type of business and the circumstances of the claim. Most insurance contracts are covered for 90% of the claim with no upper limit. **You** can get more information about compensation scheme arrangements from the FSCS or visit <a href="www.fscs.org.uk">www.fscs.org.uk</a>.

**You** may also contact the FSCS on their Freephone number: 0800 678 1100 or 020 7741 4100 or **You** can write to: Financial Services Compensation Scheme, P O Box 300, Mitcheldean, GL17 1DY





# IMPORTANT AND REGULATORY INFORMATION

#### The Consumer Insurance Act

**You** are required by the provisions of the Consumer Insurance (Disclosure and Representations) Act 2012 to take care to:

- A. supply accurate and complete answers to all the questions we or the administrator may ask as part of your application for cover under the policy
- B. to make sure that all information supplied as part of your application for cover is true and correct
- C. tell us of any changes to the answers you have given as soon as possible.

You must take reasonable care to provide complete and accurate answers to the questions we ask when you take out, make changes to and renew your policy. If any information you provide is not complete and accurate, this may mean your policy is invalid and that it does not operate in the event of a claim or we may not pay any claim in full.

#### Instalments & Consumer Credit Agreements

Neither Event Insurance Services Ltd or UK General Ltd offer any form of instalment facility for the payment of this **Policy**.

#### UK GENERAL INSURANCE LTD PRIVACY NOTICE

We are UK General Insurance Ltd, referred to as "we/us/our" in this notice. Our data controller registration number issued by the Information Commissioner's Officer is Z7739575

This privacy notice is relevant to anyone who uses our services, including policyholders, prospective policyholders, and any other individuals insured under a policy. We refer to these individuals as "you/your" in this notice.

We are dedicated to being transparent about what we do with the information that we collect about you. We process your personal data in accordance with the relevant data protection legislation.

#### Why do we process your data?

The provision of your personal data is necessary for us to administer your insurance policy and meet our contractual requirements under the policy. You do not have to provide us with your personal data, but we may not be able to proceed appropriately or handle any claims if you decide not to do so.

#### What information do we collect about you?

Where you have purchased an insurance policy through one of our agents, you will be aware of the information that you gave to them when taking out the insurance. The agent will pass your information to us so that we can administer your insurance policy.

For specific types of insurance policies, for example when offering you a travel insurance policy, we may process some special categories of your personal data, such as information about your health.

We have a legitimate interest to collect this data as we are required to use this information as part of your insurance quotation or insurance policy with us. We may also process the data where it is necessary for a legal obligation, or as part of the establishment or defence of a legal claim.



#### UK General's full privacy notice

This notice explains the most important aspects of how we use your data. You can get more information about this by viewing our full privacy notice online at http://ukgeneral.com/privacy-notice or request a copy by emailing us at dataprotection@ukgeneral.co.uk. Alternatively, you can write to us at: Data Protection, UK General Insurance Ltd, Cast House, Old Mill Business Park, Gibraltar Island Road, Leeds, LS10 1RJ.

#### Claims & Underwriting Exchange Register

In relation to the Data Protection Act 1998, please be aware **We** may use **Your** personal information to prevent crime. In order to prevent crime, **We** may share it with operators of registers available to the insurance industry to check information and prevent fraud. These include but are not limited to the Claims and Underwriting Exchange Register. **We** may pass **Your** personal information to the operators of these registers, including but not limited to information relating to **Your** Insurance **Policy** and any incident (such as an accident, theft, or loss) to the operators of these registers.

