

Optima L: Learner Driver

Policy Wording

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To make a claim, call 0345 122 3018 Please add this number to your mobile phone

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Useful telephone numbers

Onecall 24 hours claims helpline 0345 122 3018.

The claims helpline is open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

If you are calling from abroad, please call +44 2380 621982.

We may record or monitor calls for training purpose, to improve the quality of our service and to prevent and detect fraud.

Stay insured, stay legal

Check your registration details

It is vital that the registration mark of the car is correctly shown on your policy. If this is incorrect, the car may not appear on the Motor Insurance Database (MID) and this could lead to the car being seized by the authorities. Please let us know immediately if the registration mark is showing incorrectly on your documents.

Important

- All cover provided by this policy will cease immediately once you (the insured policyholder) pass your practical driving test and are entitled to obtain a full UK car licence. This means that you are not covered by this policy to drive home from the test centre if you have passed your practical test in the car.
- It is your responsibility to inform your insurance adviser once you have passed your practical driving test.
- For cover to apply, you must be accompanied whilst driving at all times by a driver aged 25 to 75 who holds a full UK driving licence and has done so for at least 3 full years.
- The current owner of the car must have the car insured comprehensively on an annual basis for cover to apply.
- Please refer to your schedule and certificate of insurance to note the expiry date and time of your insurance.
- The period of insurance cannot be extended. If you require additional time on cover once the policy has expired, you will need to purchase a new policy.

Introduction

Welcome to your Optima L: Learner Driver Insurance policy.

In return for you paying or agreeing to pay the premium, we will provide cover under the terms and conditions of this policy for those sections of the policy stated on your schedule, up to any limits set out in your schedule. This cover will be against any unforeseen injury, loss or damage that happens during the period of insurance and within the geographical limits.

Your policy is based on the answers you gave on the proposal or that which is shown in a statement of fact and any other information you gave us. You must tell us of any changes to the answers you have given. It is an offence under the Road Traffic Act to make a false statement or withhold any information for the purposes of obtaining a certificate of motor insurance.

You must read this policy, the certificate of motor insurance and the schedule together. The schedule tells you which sections of the policy apply. Please check all documents carefully to make sure that they give you the cover you want.

Signed for and on behalf of Ageas Insurance Limited

François-Xavier Boisseau CEO, Insurance

Ageas Insurance Limited

Definitions

Throughout this policy certain words and phrases are printed in **bold**. These have the meanings set out below.

Certificate of motor insurance

Proof of the motor insurance you need by law. The **certificate** of motor insurance shows:

- what car is covered;
- who is allowed to drive the car; and
- what the car can be used for.

Current owner

The person named as the registered keeper of **the car** on the V5C registration certificate (log book).

Excess

The part of a claim **you** must pay. Sometimes more than one **excess** can apply, in which case **we** add them together.

Geographical limits

Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands, and while **the car** is being transported between any of these countries.

Market value

The cost of replacing **the car** with one of a similar age, type, mileage and condition, immediately before the loss or damage happened.

Period of insurance

The length of time that this contract of insurance applies for. This is shown in the **certificate of motor insurance**. This policy is offered on a monthly basis by calendar month ie the period from a date one month to the same date of the next month eg 21 January to 21 February. Depending on the month in which the insurance is taken out, the calendar month may therefore be 28 or 29 days (during a leap year) or 30 or 31 days long.

Personal Information

Any information that **you** provide and **we** collect, use, share, transfer and store about **you** and anyone else.

Proposal

The application form and the information that **you** give **us**, including information given on **your** behalf and verbal information **you** give.

Schedule

The latest **schedule we** have issued to **you**. This forms part of the contract of insurance. It gives details of the **period of insurance**, the sections of the policy that apply, the premium **you** have to pay, **the car** which is insured and details of any **excesses**.

Statement of insurance or statement of fact

The form that shows the information that **you** give **us**, including information given on **your** behalf and verbal information **you** give.

The car

Any motor car **you** have given **us** details of and for which **we** have issued a **certificate of motor insurance**. **The car's** registration number will be shown on **your** latest **certificate of motor insurance**.

We, our, us

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You, your

The person shown under 'Details of Policyholder' in the **schedule**.

Your insurance adviser

The agent, broker or intermediary who arranged this insurance for **you**.

Policy conditions

1 Keeping to the terms of the policy

If **you** or any person who claims under this policy fails to comply with any policy condition, **we** will not pay any claims.

2 Right of recovery

If the law of any country says **we** must make a payment that **we** would not otherwise have paid, **you** must repay this amount to **us**.

3 Other insurance

If any incident that leads to a valid claim is covered under any other insurance policy, **we** will not pay any part of the claim.

4 Taking care of the car

Anyone covered by this policy must take all reasonable steps they can to protect **the car** and anything in or attached to it, against loss or damage. This includes making sure that all windows, doors, roof openings, removable roof panels or hoods are closed and locked, and the keys (or devices needed to lock **the car**) are not left in or on **the car**. **The car** must be roadworthy and kept in good working order. **We** may examine **the car** at any time.

5 Providing accurate information

Whenever **you** take out or ask **us** to make changes to **your** policy, **you** must take reasonable care to:

- supply accurate and complete answers to all questions
- ensure the statements declared on the statement of fact or proposal are accurate; and
- make sure that all other information supplied to us is accurate and complete.

We will treat **your** policy as if it had not existed and keep any premium paid from the start date or the date that any changes were made to the policy (as the case may be) if **you**:

- deliberately or recklessly gave us inaccurate or incomplete information; or
- did not take reasonable care to give us accurate and complete information, in circumstances where we would not have issued this policy to you at all.

In all other cases, if **you** fail to exercise reasonable care to provide accurate and complete information **we** may refuse to pay all or part of a claim. If **we** would have:

- Provided cover to you on different terms, had you provided us with accurate and complete information, then the policy will be treated as if it had contained such terms. In such circumstances, we will only pay a claim if it would have been covered by a policy containing such terms.
- Provided you with cover under this policy at a higher premium, the amount payable on any claim will be reduced proportionately, based on the amount of premium that we would have charged. For example, we will only pay half of the claim, if we would have charged double the premium.

If **we** discover inaccuracies in any of the information **you** provided **us** with which would have made a difference to the premium charged, before any incident which might give rise to a claim has occurred, **we** may, at **our** discretion, offer **you** the option to pay the additional premium in return for **us** not reducing the amount payable on any future claims under the policy.

6 Changes you must tell us about

You must tell us about any of the changes below straight away. Failure to tell us about any changes to the information detailed on your proposal, statement of insurance or statement of fact, schedule or certificate of motor insurance may mean that your policy is invalid and that it does not operate in the event of a claim.

These changes may result in a change to **your** premium and/ or **excess**. **We** will not request from **you**, or refund to **you** any difference in premium if it is less than £10. **We** may make an administration charge of £7.50 (subject to Insurance Premium Tax where applicable) if **you** alter **your** policy.

Some of the changes you must tell us about are:

- The car or its registration number is changed or if the car is sold, the current owner gets rid of the car or gets a new car.
- You change your address or the address at which the car is kept overnight.
- There is a change to the estimated mileage that the car will cover under this policy.
- The car is or will be:
 - Changed from the manufacturer's original specification.
 This would include:
 - Changes to the bodywork, such as spoilers or body kits:
 - Changes to suspension or brakes;
 - Cosmetic changes such as alloy wheels;
 - Changes affecting performance such as changes to the engine management system or exhaust system;
 - Changes to the audio/entertainment system;

Please be aware that this is not a full list of all possible changes. All changes made from the manufacturers standard specification must be disclosed.

- Used for any purpose not covered by your certificate of motor insurance.
- Involved in an accident or fire, or someone steals, damages or tries to break into it.
- You or any other person who may drive the car under this policy:
 - Gain a motoring conviction (including any fixed penalty offences);
 - Gain a non-motoring criminal conviction;
 - Passes their driving test or has their licence suspended or revoked;

- Is issued with a new Driving Licence Number;
- Changes their name;
- Changes job, starts a new job, including any part-time work, or stops work;
- Is involved in any accident or has a car damaged or stolen, whether covered by this policy or not;
- Has insurance refused, cancelled or had special terms put on;
- Develops a health condition that requires notification to the DVLA, or an existing condition worsens.
 - You can find additional information in the Motoring section at www.gov.uk or pick up leaflet D100 from the Post Office.
- You wish to change who is insured to drive the car under this policy.

7 Fraudulent claims

We will not pay any claim if:

- Any claim or part of any claim is fraudulent, false or exaggerated;
- · Falsified documentation is submitted in support of a claim; or
- You or any other person who claims under this policy makes a dishonest or false statement to us in support of a claim.

In these circumstances, all cover will be cancelled from the date of the fraud and no premium will be refunded. If **we** have made a payment **we** would not otherwise have made **you** must repay that amount to **us**.

We may also notify relevant authorities, so that they can consider criminal proceedings.

8 Cancelling your policy

All cover provided by this policy will cease immediately once **you** (the insured policyholder) pass **your** practical driving test and are entitled to obtain a full UK car licence. This means there is no cover under this policy for **you** to drive home from the test centre in **the car**.

It is **your** responsibility to inform **your insurance adviser** once **you** have passed your practical driving test so **we** can refund any of the unused premium to **you**.

How much money **you** get back will depend on how long **you** have had the policy for, and whether or not **you** have made a claim, may need to make a claim, or a claim has been made against **you** (which would result in no refund being given).

Cancelling your policy before cover has started

You can cancel this policy at any time by telling **us** or your agent. If cover has not yet started, **we** will refund any premium paid in full.

Cancelling your policy after cover has started

You can cancel this policy at any time by telling us or your agent. We will refund any unused premium to you. How much money you get back will depend on how long you have had the policy for, and whether or not you have made a claim, may need to make a claim, or a claim has been made against you (which would result in no refund being given).

We or your insurance adviser can cancel this policy by sending you seven days' notice to your last known address. The reason for cancellation will be set out clearly in the communication with you.

Valid reasons include, but will not be limited to, those listed below:

- There are changes to the information detailed in your statement of fact, schedule or certificate of motor insurance which result in us no longer wishing to provide cover.
- Where the circumstances of a new claim, or an incident we have become aware of, result in us no longer wishing to provide cover.
- Where we suspect fraud on this policy, the current owner's policy or any other related policy.
- Where you, a person acting on your behalf, or any person covered to drive the car uses threatening, intimidating or abusive behaviour or language towards our staff, suppliers or agents acting on our behalf, including your insurance adviser.
- Where any person claiming cover under this policy fails to provide us with any reasonable information we ask for.
- Where a misrepresentation has been made that results in us no longer wishing to provide cover.
- If we become aware that you pass your driving test and are entitled to obtain a full UK driving licence.

We will refund a percentage of the premium in proportion to the **period of insurance** left unused.

If the current owner sells or gets rid of the car, you must tell us immediately. All cover under this policy will stop from the date the car is no longer in the current owners' possession.

9 Law applicable to the contract

English Law will apply to this contract unless **you** and **we** agree otherwise. However, if **you** live in Scotland, Northern Ireland or the Channel Islands, the law of that country will apply unless **you** and **we** agree otherwise (if **you** live in Jersey, the law of Jersey will apply to this contract and the Jersey courts will have exclusive jurisdiction over disputes between **us** and **you** in relation to it).

10 Language

The contractual terms and conditions and other information relating to this contract will be in the English language.

11 Rights of third parties

This policy is a contract between **you** and **us**. It is not intended that the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 gives anyone else either any rights under this policy or the right to enforce any part of it, except in the case of the **current owner** in Section A.

12 Provisional Licence

We will only provide cover under this policy if whilst **you** are driving **the car**, **you** are accompanied by a driver who is aged 25 to 75 and who has held a full UK driving licence for at least 3 full years.

13 Annual insurance covering the car

We will only provide cover under this policy if the car is insured elsewhere comprehensively by an annual policy.

Your cover

Section A – Loss of or damage to the car

What is covered

We will pay for damage to the car caused by accidental or malicious damage, vandalism, fire, theft or attempted theft. We will also cover the cost of replacing or repairing the car's audio, navigational and entertainment equipment caused by accidental or malicious damage, vandalism, fire, theft or attempted theft, up to one of the following amounts:

- Unlimited for equipment fitted as original equipment by the manufacturer
- £300 for any other equipment that is permanently fitted to the car

See page 11 for details on how we will settle your claim.

What is not covered

- The excesses shown in the schedule.
- Loss of use of the car.
- Loss of or damage to tools of trade, personal belongings, documents or goods.
- Wear and tear.
- Mechanical, electrical, electronic and computer failures or breakdowns or breakages.
- Damage to tyres caused by braking, punctures, cuts or bursts.
- Costs of importing parts or accessories and storage costs caused by delays, where the parts or accessories are not available from current stock within the geographical limits.
- Any amount over the cost shown in the manufacturer's latest price guide and costs for fitting, if any lost or damaged parts or accessories are not available.
- Loss of or damage to phone or other communication equipment.
- The car losing value after, or because of, repairs.
- Loss or damage to the car caused by you carelessly or recklessly allowing a buyer, someone posing as a buyer or someone acting on behalf of a buyer to defraud or deceive you. This includes accepting a form of payment that a bank or building society will not authorise.
- Loss of or damage to the car caused by malicious damage, vandalism, fire, theft or attempted theft, when noone is in it if:
 - Any window, door, roof opening, removable roof panel or hood was left open or unlocked; or
 - The keys (or any other device needed to lock **the car**) are left in or on **the car**.
- The car being confiscated or destroyed by or under order of any government or public or local authority.
- Loss or damage arising from the car being repossessed by or returned to its rightful owner.
- Loss or damage to the car caused by an inappropriate type or grade of fuel being used.
- Loss of or damage to any radar detectors, unless this
 equipment is permanently fitted to the car as part of the
 manufacturer's original specification.
- Loss of or damage to any audio, navigational and entertainment equipment that is not permanently fitted to the car.
- Loss of or damage to **the car** caused by a person known to **you** taking **the car** without **your** permission, unless that person is reported to the police for taking **the car** without **your** permission.

Section A – Loss of or damage to the car - continued

What is covered	What is not covered
	 Any loss of or damage to the car when the car is towing a trailer. The provision of a courtesy car following the car being involved in a claim. Please also refer to the Policy Exclusions and Policy Conditions.

Section B – Liabilities to third parties

What is covered

We will cover legal liability for the death of or injury to any person and damage to property caused by or arising out of:

- You using the car.
- Any person using (but not driving) the car, with your permission, for social, domestic and pleasure purposes.
- Any passenger in, getting into or getting out of the car while you are in charge of the car.

If we agree to, we may also pay:

- · Solicitors' fees for representation at any coroner's inquest, fatal accident inquiry or court of summary jurisdiction;
- Legal costs for defending a charge of manslaughter or causing death by dangerous or careless driving; and
- Any other costs and expenses for which we have given our written permission arising from an accident covered under this policy.

If anyone who is insured by this section dies while they are involved in legal action, we will give the same cover as they had to their legal personal representatives.

What is not covered

- Any amount we have not agreed to in writing.
- You using any vehicle other than the car.
- Death of or injury to any of your employees during the course of their work, even if the death or injury is caused by anyone insured by this policy, if insurance cover is provided as a requirement of any compulsory Employers Liability legislation within the geographical limits.
- Loss of or damage to property owned by or in the care of the person who is claiming cover under this section.
- Any damage caused when the car is towing a trailer.
- Any claim for pollution or contamination, unless it is caused by a sudden, identifiable event which was unintended and unexpected and happened at one specific time and place.
- Any amount over £1 million for one pollution or contamination event.
- Any amount over £20 million, exclusive of costs and expenses, for any one claim or series of claims arising from one event that causes loss of or damage to property, including any indirect loss or damage
- Any amount over £5 million for all costs and expenses, for any one claim or series of claims arising from one event that causes loss of or damage to property.

However we will provide the minimum cover needed under compulsory motor insurance legislation.

Please also refer to the Policy Exclusions and Policy Conditions.

Section C - Medical Expenses

What is covered What is not covered If you or anyone in the car is injured in an accident involving the car, we will pay up to £100 in medical expenses for each injured person.

Section D – Personal Belongings

What is covered	What is not covered
We will pay for personal belongings in the car which are lost or damaged following an accident, a fire or theft involving the car. We will pay for the cost of the item, less an amount for wear and tear and loss of value.	 Loss of or damage when no-one is in the car if: Any window, door, roof opening, removable roof panel or hood was left open or unlocked; or The keys (or any other device needed to lock the car) are left in or on the car. More than £100 for each incident. Any goods, tools or samples which are carried as part of any trade or business. Loss of or damage to phone or other communication equipment. Money, stamps, tickets, documents and securities (such as share or bond certificates). Loss of or damage to any radar detection equipment. Loss of or damage to property that is insured under any other insurance policy.

Policy exclusions

- 1 We will not cover claims arising directly or indirectly from any of the following:
 - The car being driven by someone who is not described on your certificate of motor insurance as entitled to drive.
 - The car being driven, with your permission, by anyone
 who you know does not hold a driving licence or is
 disqualified from driving. However, we will still provide
 cover if the person used to hold a licence and is allowed
 to hold one by law.
 - The car being driven by someone who does not meet all the conditions of their driving licence.
 - The car being used for a purpose that is not shown as covered on your certificate of motor insurance.
 - The car being used for hiring, competitions, rallies or trials, for racing formally or informally against the clock or another motorist; or on a motor racing track, de-restricted toll road, airfield, at an off-road event or at the Nürburgring.
 - The car being used for criminal purposes or deliberately used to threaten or cause harm, loss or damage. An example of this would be 'road rage'.
- 2 We will not pay any claims if you receive any payment for giving people lifts in the car, and:
 - The car is made or altered to carry more than six people including the driver; or
 - You are carrying the passengers as part of a business of carrying passengers; or
 - You are making a profit from the payments you receive.
- 3 We will not pay claims arising directly or indirectly from any of the following:
 - Ionising radiation or radioactive contamination from any nuclear fuel or any nuclear waste arising from burning nuclear fuel
 - The radioactive, poisonous, explosive or other dangerous properties of any explosive nuclear equipment or part of that equipment.
 - Pressure waves caused by aircraft (and other flying objects) travelling at or above the speed of sound.
 - War, invasion, act of foreign enemy, hostilities (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, insurrection or military or usurped power.
 - Acts determined as terrorism by the UK Government.
- 4 We will not pay for claims arising directly or indirectly from earthquakes, riots or civil disturbances outside Great Britain, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands, except as required under section B.
- We will not pay for any liability you accept under an agreement or contract, unless you would have been legally liable anyway.

- 6 Any decision or action of a court which is not within the **geographical limits** is not covered by this policy unless the proceedings are brought or judgment is given because **the car** was used in that country and **we** agreed to cover it there.
- 7 We will not pay claims arising directly or indirectly from the car being in a place used for aircraft taking off, landing, parking or moving, including the associated service roads, refueling areas, ground equipment parking areas and the parts of passenger terminals of international airports which come within the Customs examination area or any part of airport premises to which the public does not have access to drive their car.
- 8 Loss or damage caused whilst **you** are not accompanied by a driver aged 25 to 75 who holds a full UK driving licence and has done so for at least 3 full years.
- 9 Loss or damage if the car is not insured annually on a separate motor insurance policy.

However, **we** will provide the minimum cover needed under compulsory motor insurance legislation.

Making a claim

Call ONECALL 0345 122 3018

The Claims helpline is open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

If **the car** is involved in an incident or **you** need to make a claim, please phone **us** as soon as possible.

Onecall is a first-response service with advisers who can immediately confirm whether **your** policy covers **you** for the incident. Remember to save this number in **your** mobile phone so that **you** will have it available if **you** have an accident.

We may record or monitor calls for training purposes to improve the quality of **our** service and to prevent and detect fraud.

How you should deal with claims

You must send us any letter, claim, writ or summons as soon as you or the current owner receives it. You must also let us know straight away if you or your legal advisers know of any prosecution, inquest or fatal accident inquiry that might be covered under this policy.

You or any other person who claims under this policy must not negotiate, admit fault or make any payment, offer or promise of payment unless **you** have **our** written permission.

How we will deal with claims

We may:

- carry out the defence or settlement of any claim and choose the solicitor who will act for you in any legal action;
 and
- take any legal action in your name or the name of any other person covered by this policy

We can do any of these in **your** name or in the name of any other person covered by this policy.

Anyone who makes a claim under this policy must give **us** any reasonable information and assistance **we** ask for.

How we will settle a claim under section A

We will choose whether to repair **the car** or pay a cash amount equal to the cost of the loss or damage. If **the car** cannot be driven because of damage that is covered under this policy, **we** will pay for **the car** to be protected and taken to the nearest approved repairer.

We will not pay more than the market value of the car when settling a claim.

If the car is economically repairable

If **the car** is repaired by one of **our** approved repairers, **you** do not need to get any estimates, and repairs can begin immediately after **we** have authorised them.

We will arrange for one of our repairers to contact you to arrange to collect the car. All parts used to repair the car come with a guarantee- typically for one year. However all workmanship is guaranteed for as long as the current owner continues to own the car. We will also pay the costs of delivering the car back to the address shown on your policy schedule or any other address we agree with you when the damage has been repaired.

You will have to pay any policy excess direct to the repairer.

If the condition of **the car** is better after the repair than it was just before it was damaged, **we** may ask **you** to pay something towards it. The repairer can use parts, including recycled parts that are similar in quality to those available from the manufacturer.

If you do not want to use one of our approved repairers, you will need to send us an estimate for us to authorise and we may need to inspect the car. We reserve the right to ask you to obtain alternative estimates. Any payment we make will be after we have taken off any policy excess.

If the car is a total loss

Once an engineer has inspected and assessed the **market** value of the car, we will send an offer of payment.

If there is any outstanding loan on **the car**, **we** may pay the finance company first. If **our** estimate of the **market value** is more than the amount owed to them, **we** will pay the balance. If **our** estimate of the market value is less than the amount owed, **you** may have to pay the balance.

If the car is leased or on contract hire, we may pay the leasing or contract hire company first. If our estimate of the market value is more than the amount owed to the leasing or contract hire company, the amount we pay them will settle the claim. If our estimate of the market value is less than the amount owed, you may have to pay the balance.

Once the total loss offer is accepted, the car will belong to us.

Any payment **we** make for total loss will be after **we** have taken off any policy **excess**.

Any payments we make under this section will be made to the current owner of the car.

Making a claim - continued

Replacement car

We will not pay more than the market value of the car unless:

- The loss or damage happens before the car is a year old and the current owner is the first and only registered keeper of the car (or the current owner is the second registered keeper if the first registered keeper is the manufacturer or supplying dealer and the delivery mileage is under 250 miles); and
- The current owner has owned the car (or it has been hired to them under a hire-purchase agreement) since it was first registered as new (or they are the second owner if the first owner is the manufacturer or supplying dealer and the delivery mileage is under 250 miles); and
- The cost of repair is valued at more than 60% of the cost of buying an identical new car at the time of the loss or damage (based on the United Kingdom list price including taxes).

In these circumstances, if you or the current owner ask us to, we will replace the car (and pay the delivery charges to the address shown on your schedule or any other address we agree with you) with a new car of the same make, model and specification.

We will only do this if:

- We can buy a car straight away within the geographical limits; and
- We have permission from anyone who we know has a financial interest in the car.

Privacy Notice

We are Ageas Insurance Limited and are part of the Ageas group of companies. The details provided here are a summary of how we collect, use, share, transfer and store your information. For our full Privacy Policy please visit our website www.ageas.co.uk or contact our Data Protection Officer at: Ageas House, Hampshire Corporate Park, Templars Way, Eastleigh, Hampshire SO53 3YA or by emailing thedpo@ageas.co.uk.

Your insurance adviser will have their own uses for your personal data. Please ask your insurance adviser if you would like more information about how they use your personal information.

Collecting your information

We collect a variety of information about you including personal information such as your name, address, contact details, date of birth and IP address (which is a unique number identifying your computer). Where relevant, we also collect sensitive personal information such as details regarding your health, credit history and/or criminal convictions.

We also collect information from a number of different sources for example: publically available sources such as social media and networking sites; third party databases available to the insurance industry; firms, loss adjusters and/or suppliers appointed in the process of handling a claim.

Using your information

The main reason we collect your personal and/or sensitive information is because we need it to provide you with the appropriate insurance quotation, policy and price as well as manage your policy such as handling a claim or issuing documentation to you. Our assessment of your insurance application may involve an automated decision to determine whether we are able to provide you with a quotation and/or the price. If you object to this being done, then we will not be able to provide you with insurance.

We will also use your information where we feel there is a justifiable reason for doing so for example: to prevent and detect fraud and financial crime (which may include processes which profile you); collecting information regarding your past policies; carrying out research and analysis (including profiling); and recording and monitoring calls.

There may be situations where **we** will only use **your** information if **you** have given **us** permission such as using or collecting sensitive information. If **you** have given **us** such information about someone else, **you** would have confirmed that **you** have their permission to do so.

Sharing your information

We share your information with a number of different organisations which include, but are not limited to: other insurers; regulatory bodies; carefully selected third parties providing a service to us or on our behalf; fraud prevention and credit reference agencies and other companies, for example, when we are trialling their products and services which we think may improve our service to you or our business processes.

Unless required to by law, **we** would never share **your** personal data without the appropriate care and necessary safeguards being in place.

Keeping your information

We will only keep **your** information for as long as is necessary in providing **our** products and services to **you** and/or to fulfil **our** legal and regulatory obligations. Please refer to **our** full Privacy Policy for more information.

Use and storage of your information overseas

Your information may be transferred to, stored and processed outside the European Economic Area (EEA). We will not transfer your information outside the EEA unless it is to a country which is considered to have equivalent data protection laws or we have taken all reasonable steps to ensure the firm has suitable standards in place to protect your information.

Your rights

You have a number of rights in relation to the information we hold about you, these rights include but are not limited to: the right to a copy of your personal information we hold; object to the use of your personal information; withdraw any permission you have previously provided and complain to the Information Commissioner's Office at any time if you are not satisfied with our use of your information. For a full list of your rights please refer to the full Privacy Policy.

Please note that there are times when **we** will not be able to delete **your** information. This may be as a result of fulfilling **our** legal and regulatory obligations or where there is a minimum, statutory, period of time for which **we** have to keep **your** information. If **we** are unable to fulfil a request, **we** will always let **you** know **our** reasons.

What to do if you have a complaint

Should there ever be an occasion where you need to complain, we will sort this out as quickly and fairly as possible.

If your complaint is about the way your policy was sold to you, please contact your insurance adviser to report your complaint.

If you have a complaint regarding your claim, please telephone us on the number shown in your claims documentation.

Alternatively, you can write to us at the address shown below or email us through our website at www.ageas.co.uk/complaints (please include your policy number and claim number if appropriate)

Customer Services Adviser Ageas Insurance Limited Ageas House Hampshire Corporate Park Templars Way Eastleigh Hampshire SO53 3YA

Service standards

We will try to resolve your complaint by the end of the third working day. If we are unable to do this, we will write to you within five working days to either:

- Tell you what we have done to resolve the problem; or
- Acknowledge your complaint and let you know when you can expect a full response. We will also let you know who is dealing with the matter.

We will always aim to resolve your complaint within four weeks of its receipt. If we are unable to do this we will give you the reasons for the delay and indicate when we will be able to provide a final response. If for any reason you are dissatisfied with our final response, you should escalate the matter as outlined to the right.

Financial Ombudsman Service

You can ask the Financial Ombudsman Service to review your complaint if for any reason you are dissatisfied with our final response, or if we have not issued our final response within eight weeks from you first raising the complaint.

You can contact the Financial Ombudsman Service at the address below, however they will only consider your complaint once you have tried to resolve it with us.

Financial Ombudsman Service **Exchange Tower** London E14 9SR

For further information call 0800 023 4567

You can also visit the Financial Ombudsman Service website at www.financialombudsman.org.uk

Following the complaints procedure does not affect your right to take legal proceedings.

Financial Services Compensation Scheme

We are covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). If we cannot meet our obligations, you may be entitled to compensation under the scheme. You can get more information from the Financial Services Compensation Scheme at www.fscs.org.uk or by calling 0800 678 1100 or 0207 741 4100.

To make a claim, call 0345 122 3018 Please add this number to your mobile phone

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