

Please read this document carefully as it presents the terms on which we provide services to our clients and details your and our responsibilities. We welcome the opportunity to clarify our services, so if any point is unclear or unacceptable to you please tell us.

1 WHO WE ARE

Ntegrity Insurance Solutions Ltd is an independent insurance intermediary authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA") 467019. You can check that we are included in the FCA register by visiting www.fca.org.uk/register or by telephoning the FCA on 0800 111 6788. We are 100% privately owned, with the majority ownership held by the Directors of the Company and we have no inward investment from Insurance Companies.

The FCA has authorised us to advise, arrange, deal in and assist with the placing and administration of all types of General Insurance policies and Pure Protection policies. We are also authorised to undertake Credit Broking.

2 OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH YOU, OUR CLIENT

We operate as an independent insurance intermediary and in doing so we act for you as your agent. Unless your quotation states otherwise, we provide our services on the basis of a fair analysis of the Insurers available in the market that we believe are appropriate to your unique circumstances.

We occasionally act as an agent of the Insurer e.g. issuing policy documents or collecting premiums on their behalf etc. Insurers typically pay us commission for these services. As an alternative, we may agree to work with you for a fixed fee that will be separately and transparently identified in our quotation.

Where circumstances make it beneficial to you, we may have arrangements with other parties (e.g. Insurers or other brokers) that we use to provide our services and we will therefore act for, and owe duties to other parties. We ensure that any conflicts of interest arising from such arrangements are properly managed so that we continue to act in your best interests.

3 OUR SERVICE

Our services (other than for online clients) are detailed in 'WHAT WE DO FOR YOU FOR YOU' which will accompany these terms.

For clients purchasing a policy from one of our online sites, all online products are offered on a non-advised basis. This means that while we provide you with generic information on the policies and will assist with your application, we are not advising you on the suitability of the product to meet your specific needs, and you will need to make your own selection as we will not provide you with any advice or specific recommendation.

4 TERM OF AGREEMENT AND TERMINATION

This agreement shall apply with effect from receipt of your instructions to arrange insurance and will continue until terminated by either party. Any termination of this agreement shall not affect any rights, obligations or continuing duties that existed prior to the termination.

You or we may terminate this agreement for the provision of our services by giving notice in writing. In the event that our services are terminated for any reason we reserve the right to retain any fees or commissions received, or to claim any that are still payable. We will respond to all reasonable requests to supply information to a newly appointed intermediary within 30 days of written authority being received.

Please note: Professional Indemnity policies are typically non-cancellable by you once in force (often at the insistence or professional bodies or regulators). Insurers may be willing to terminate the contract in some cases. For specific guidance on your arrangements please ask us.

5 INSURER SECURITY

Insurance intermediaries cannot guarantee the solvency of any Insurer or its ability to meet policyholder obligations. We take reasonable steps to protect the interests of our clients by monitoring and regularly reviewing the suitability of all Insurers that we use.

The final decision on suitability of an Insurer rests with you. If you have any concerns about any of the Insurers that we propose to use to provide your cover, please bring this to the attention of your Ntegrity contact.

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6 PREMIUMS

Our invoice, stating the amount of the premium due for your policy, will be provided to you once cover has been confirmed with Insurers. The invoice will detail any taxes payable and any fees we may agree with you for carrying out the work you require.

Your premium will become due for payment from the commencement of your Insurance policy and we therefore ask for prompt payment to allow us to settle your account to Insurers. If you wish to pay your premium by instalments through Insurers own payment facility (if one exists) or using premium finance arranged by us, we will inform you clearly of any interest and charges payable. Insurers may cancel your policy from the inception date (the date upon which the policy commenced) if you fail to pay your premium by its due date.

7 REMUNERATION FOR OUR SERVICES

Remuneration for the services we provide to you will be in the form of either a commission or fee unless we agree otherwise with you. Commissions and fees earned relate to the period of the policy arranged. The commission will be agreed between us and the Insurer or service provider as a percentage of the premium chargeable. In the case of a fee, we will agree this with you to reflect the scope of services that we will provide. If we agree a fee basis for our remuneration, the fee element will be identified in our invoice.

Additional fees may be charged to cover administration, documentation, visits or other costs, including higher than anticipated claims handling costs for exceptional or significant claims activity or major losses, but **we will always discuss any such charges to you separately before you become liable to make any such payments.**

Where we consider it to be beneficial to you, we may use other insurance agents to assist us in arranging and placing your insurance e.g. to access special schemes or facilities. These insurance agents may earn and retain commission in addition to the amount we earn or the fee we have agreed with you.

In addition to earning commission or fees, Ntegrity may also receive remuneration generated from;

- Insurers, in recognition of administration support or other services we may provide to them where we act as their agent, such as issuing policy or other documentation for example.
- Relationships with other companies that are not linked to any specific client such as:-
 - a. Premium finance companies,
 - b. The arrangement of reinsurance,
 - c. The management of cash balances.

All such remuneration is only earned on the basis that it does not in any way interfere, detract from or cause conflicts with us acting in your best interests, which remain our utmost priority at all times. We do not accept additional commissions from Insurers which are based on the profitability of their account with us.

Details of our remuneration arising from your insurances are available on request from your Ntegrity contact.

In the event of you cancelling any policies before their natural expiry date, we reserve the right to retain the commission paid or agreed fee in full to reflect the extent of the services we have and will continue to deliver. On cancellation, any return premiums available from Insurers will be finalised and passed to you within a reasonable timescale and such refunds will consist of the net premium including any applicable taxes only where we exercise our right to retain the commission paid or agreed fee.

8 COMPLAINTS

Fair treatment of our clients is paramount to us. We operate procedures to ensure that all complaints will be thoroughly investigated, dealt with promptly and fairly and resolved.

If you wish to make a complaint, please contact your regular Ntegrity contact, or our Managing Director at our address on page 1.

If we are unable to resolve your complaint immediately, we will acknowledge its receipt promptly providing you with a copy of our complaints procedure and arrange for an independent Director to investigate the matter and respond to you. **If your complaint is not resolved to your satisfaction, or if you are unhappy with the way in which we have handled it, you may be eligible to refer the matter to The Financial Ombudsman Service.** Details of The Financial Ombudsman Service can be found at www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk. If you are eligible, we will provide you with details of how to refer to The Financial Ombudsman Service when we send you your final written response or at 8 weeks after receipt of your complaint (whichever occurs first).

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9 FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPENSATION SCHEME "FSCS"

We are covered by the FSCS. You may be entitled to compensation from the scheme if we cannot meet our obligations. This depends on the type and scale of the business and the circumstances of the claim. 90% of a claim is covered without any upper limit although compulsory insurances such as Motor or Employers Liability and Professional Indemnity are protected in full. Further information about the scheme is available from the FSCS at www.fscs.org.uk

10 CLIENT MONEY

In most instances, it will be necessary for us to hold money on account during the course of arranging and administering your insurance. This will be treated as client money in accordance with the FCA client money rules.

10.1 STATUTORY TRUST ACCOUNT

We protect client money by holding it in a Statutory Trust account. This account is segregated from our own money and there are strict regulatory controls for us to maintain solvency of the Statutory Trust account and to conduct a regular reconciliation of the account. **Under the rules, money held in the Statutory Trust account cannot be used for payment of premium or claims for another client before their monies are received. We are not entitled to use client money to take payment of fees or brokerage before we receive the relevant premium from a client.** Importantly, client money will be ring fenced in the Statutory Trust account so that it will be returned to clients in the event of the insolvency of Ntegrity and cannot be used to reimburse other creditors.

10.2 RISK TRANSFER

Under FCA client money rules, the majority of Insurers we deal with now require that we act as their agent in handling payment of all premiums, return premiums and claims. This is called 'Risk Transfer' where Insurers assume the credit risk. Payment by you of your premium to us, will be deemed payment to Insurers and claims and return premium paid by Insurers through us will not be deemed paid until received by you. **Where your Insurer does not provide 'Risk Transfer' meaning that the credit risk remains with us on your behalf, we will advise you in your quotation.**

10.3 USE OF THIRD PARTIES

We will inform you if we intend to arrange an insurance contract on your behalf or transfer your money to Insurers using another person, such as another insurance broker.

10.4 BANK ACCOUNTS

We will deposit client money that we receive into a bank account with HSBC Bank plc. We will advise you if it becomes necessary to hold client money in another UK approved bank.

10.5 DESIGNATED INVESTMENTS

As we will **pay client money into a Statutory Trust bank account, we will not invest client money in separate designated investments as permitted under FCA rules.**

10.6 INTEREST ON CLIENT MONEY

Interest earned on client money balances held by us will be retained by us rather than paid to you.

10.7 FUNDING

We are unable to fund premium payments to Insurers on your behalf or payments from Insurers whether in respect of premiums, return premiums, claims or otherwise.

10.8 TAX

We may administer the payment of applicable taxes whether due from you or Insurers to the appropriate tax authorities. In doing so, we undertake this role as an insurance broker and cannot advise you on the validity of any tax payment. We exercise reasonable care in relation to such payments, but we do not accept responsibility for administration without specific instructions from yourselves or Insurers. If you have specific instructions relating to the payment or administration of any applicable taxes, we ask that you confirm those instructions in writing.

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Ntegrity TERMS OF BUSINESS

11 MONEY LAUNDERING

We may ask for evidence of your identity at the start of our business relationship. We take reasonable steps to safeguard Ntegrity and our clients against the risk of financial crime. In order for us to comply with these requirements, we may need to request that you supply us with additional information relating to any insurance transactions that you ask us to undertake on your behalf.

12 CONFIDENTIALITY AND DATA PROTECTION

We make every endeavour to ensure that any personal data that we receive from you is treated as confidential in order to comply with the Data Protection Act 1998. We undertake to comply with this act in all of our dealings with you. If in our opinion, we feel that you may benefit from services provided by other divisions of Ntegrity, we may pass on your details. All details will again be treated as being confidential within this organisation. **Unless you advise us otherwise, we shall assume that we have your permission to disclose data about you, and the permission of any individual whose personal data you disclose to us, to relay that data where necessary for the purposes of handling your insurances, or in transferring or delegating our responsibilities for the handling of your insurances to any other intermediary regulated by the FCA.**

13 MEDIATION

Any dispute or difference between us that cannot be settled to the satisfaction of both parties, arising out of or in connection with this agreement or the services provided by Ntegrity Insurance Solutions Ltd, shall first be referred to mediation. The mediator or mediators shall be selected by the agreement of both parties. Failing such agreement, within 15 days of either party requesting the appointment of a mediator, the mediator shall be appointed by the chosen mediation service provider. Costs of the mediation process shall be shared equally.

14 GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION

The relationship between us as your broker and you as our client is governed in accordance with the laws of England and Wales. Any disputes which cannot be resolved by our complaints procedure will be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales.

15 YOUR ACCEPTANCE OF THESE TERMS

Your instructions requesting us to arrange insurance will be treated as acceptance of these Terms of Business.

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