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Introduction

This insurance has been specially designed for **your collection**. **We** intend the language and layout to be clear because **we** want **you** to understand the cover **we** provide and **your** obligations. Many of the words and phrases **we** use have a special meaning in this **policy**. If a word or phrase is in **bold** type, please refer to the definitions section.

It is important that **you** read this **policy**. If anything is not correct, please contact **your** insurance agent as soon as practicable.

We will provide this insurance in return for the premium you have paid.

Complaints procedure

We pride ourselves on providing a first class, reliable and efficient service to all of **our** customers.

If **you** wish to make a complaint, **you** can do so at any time by referring the matter to **us** or the complaints team at Lloyd's.

Our contact details are:

Hiscox Customer Relations The Hiscox Building Peasholme Green York YO1 7PR United Kingdom

Telephone: +44 (0)800 116 4627 or +44 (0)1904 681 198

Email: customer.relations@hiscox.com.

The address of the complaints team at Lloyd's is:

Complaints
Fidentia House
Walter Burke Way
Chatham Maritime
Chatham
Kent ME4 4RN
United Kingdom

Telephone: 020 7327 5693 Email: complaints@lloyds.com Website: www.lloyds.com/complaints

Details of Lloyd's complaints procedures are set out in a leaflet 'Your Complaint – How We Can Help' available at www.lloyds.com/complaints and are also available from the above address.

If you are not satisfied with the way your complaint has been dealt with, you may ask the Financial Ombudsman Service to review your case without affecting your legal rights. The address is:

The Financial Ombudsman Service Exchange Tower London E14 9SR United Kingdom

Telephone: 0800 023 4567 or 0300 123 9123

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

The Financial Ombudsman Service is an independent service in the United Kingdom for settling disputes between consumers and businesses providing financial services. **You** can find more information on the Financial Ombudsman Service at www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk.

In any communication, please quote the policy number shown in the risk details.



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Definitions Words shown in **bold** type are defined below.

Collection The listed items and unlisted items (if covered) shown in the risk details.

Excess The amount for which **you** are responsible as the first part of each agreed claim.

Listed items Items which are listed individually in the specification agreed by **us**.

Named location(s) The location(s) shown in the risk details.

New possessions Items newly acquired during the **period of insurance**.

Period of insurance The time for which this insurance is in force as shown in the **risk details**.

Policy This insurance document and the risk details, including any changes to the terms of the

policy agreed by us in writing.

Risk details The document showing your name, your address and your insurance details agreed by

us in writing when we accepted this insurance or following any subsequent amendment

to your policy.

Total amount insured The most **we** will pay for any one loss as shown in the **risk details**.

We/us/our The underwriters who have a share in this insurance and that are shown in the list of

underwriters in your policy.

You/your The insured shown in the risk details.

The cover

What is covered

We will insure your collection against physical loss or physical damage up to the total amount insured provided that such physical loss or physical damage:

- happens during the period of insurance; and
- 2. happens whilst at the **named location(s)**; unless otherwise stated in the **risk details**; subject to the exclusions, terms and conditions shown below.

Unlisted items are not covered unless they are specified as being covered in the **risk details**.

Basis of valuation

Listed items For **listed items**, the value is the amount shown for each item in the **risk details**.

Unlisted items For **unlisted items**, the value is the market value of the item on the date of loss.

New possessions For **new possessions**:

- 1. the value is the acquisition cost if the **new possession** was purchased; or
- the value is the market value of the new possession on the date of loss if the new possession was not purchased.

How much we will pay

Total loss If an item in the **collection** is lost or destroyed **we** will pay the amount insured of that item as

shown in the basis of valuation above.



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Partial damage

If an item in the **collection** is partly damaged, **we** will decide whether **we** pay the cost of the restoration or pay the value of the damaged item as shown in the basis of valuation above. If **we** restore it, **we** will also pay for any resulting depreciation in value. Such depreciation will be calculated as a percentage of, but not exceeding, the value of that item, as shown in the basis of valuation above. The most **we** will pay in total is the value of that item as shown in the basis of valuation above.

Pairs and sets

If any item in the **collection** which has an increased value because it forms part of a pair or set is lost or damaged, any payment **we** make will take account of the increased value. The most **we** will pay is the value of that pair or set as shown in the basis of valuation above.

Full payment

If **we** pay the full amount insured for an item, pair or set in the **collection**, **we** will then own it and have the right to take possession of it.

Claims preparation costs

We will not pay for the cost of preparing a claim.

Additional expenses

We will pay the reasonable and necessary additional expenses incurred by **you** to avoid or reduce a loss insured under this **policy**. **We** will only provide this cover if the amount of loss is reduced by more than the expenses incurred.

Total amount payable

The most **we** will pay in total for each incident of loss is the **total amount insured** plus any additional expenses as described above.

Other cover

New possessions

We will allow an increase in the **total amount insured** of up to 10% to cover any **new possessions** unless otherwise stated in the **risk details**. We will only do this if **you** tell **us** about the **new possessions** within 60 days of acquisition and pay an extra premium.

What is not covered

We do not cover:

- loss or damage caused by wear and tear, gradual deterioration, inherent defect, rust or oxidation, moths, insects, vermin, warping, shrinkage, rot, fungus, mould or infestation.
- loss or damage caused by or resulting from framing, reframing, restoring, repairing, retouching or any similar process.
- loss or damage caused by or resulting from aridity, humidity, exposure to light or extremes of temperature whether naturally occurring or not. This exclusion does not apply to loss or damage directly resulting from or caused by storm, frost or fire.
- loss from or damage in or on unattended vehicles, unless in the custody of a competent professional carrier.
- 5. mechanical or electrical faults or breakdown of an insured item.
- the amount of the excess shown in the risk details.
- loss or damage caused by or resulting from theft or dishonesty committed by any commercial gallery or dealer to whom any item of your collection is entrusted or loaned.
- 8. loss or damage to **unlisted items**, unless otherwise stated in the **risk details**.
- loss or damage to insured items whilst they are being transported unless such transits are specified in the risk details.
- 10. loss or damage directly or indirectly caused by or resulting from:
 - a. ionising radiation from or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste or from the combustion of nuclear fuel;
 - the radioactive, toxic, explosive or other hazardous or contaminating properties of any nuclear installation, reactor or other nuclear assembly or nuclear component thereof;
 - c. any weapon or device employing atomic or nuclear fission and or fusion or other like reaction or radioactive force or matter;
 - d. the radioactive, toxic, explosive or other hazardous or contaminating properties of any radioactive matter; or
 - e. any chemical, biological, bio-chemical, or electromagnetic weapon.



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- 11. loss or damage directly or indirectly caused by or resulting from war, invasion, act of foreign enemies, hostilities (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, military or usurped power, unless the insured item is being transported by air or by sea. If transits are specified in the **risk details**, we do not cover loss or damage to insured items whilst they are being transported by air or by sea, directly or indirectly caused by or resulting from the outbreak of war (whether there be a declaration of war or not) between any of the following: the United Kingdom, the United States of America, France, the Russian Federation or the People's Republic of China.
- loss or damage caused by or resulting from any item of your collection being confiscated or taken, or deliberately damaged or destroyed, by or under order of any government or public or local authority.
- any claim where you would be entitled to be paid under any other insurance if this policy did not exist.

What to do when a loss occurs

You must comply with the obligations set out in the following claims conditions. If we determine that any claim you make under this policy has been adversely impacted directly by your failure to comply with any of the following claims conditions, we may refuse your claim or reduce the amount of any payment we make for the claim.

How to make a claim

You must tell **us** or **your** insurance agent as soon as practicable about any incident which **you** may need to claim for under this insurance. If **you** think a crime has been committed, **you** must also tell the police and obtain a crime reference number from them.

You must prove the loss or damage has happened and give **us** all the co-operation **we** need to investigate **your** claim.

Recovering a loss payment

We may start proceedings in **your** name, but at **our** expense, to recover for **our** benefit, the amount of any payment **we** have made under this **policy**. **You** must give **us** all the assistance **we** may reasonably require to do this.

Recovered property

If we recover any of your collection after we have paid a claim, we will write to you at your correspondence address shown in the risk details and you can buy it back from us within 90 days. We will charge:

- 1. the amount we paid for your claim plus compound interest; or
- 2. the market value of the item at the time we recover it;

whichever is less.

False claims

If **you** have tried to deceive **us** by deliberately giving **us** false information or by making a fraudulent claim under this **policy** then:

- we shall be entitled to give you notice of termination of the policy with effect from the time of any fraudulent act or claim or the provision of such false information;
- we shall be entitled to refuse to make any payment under the policy in respect of any claim made or any loss occurring after the time of any fraudulent act or claim or the provision of such false information;
- you must reimburse all payments already made by us relating to claims made or losses
 occurring after the time of any fraudulent act or claim or the provision of such false
 information: and
- 4. **we** shall be entitled to retain all premiums paid.

This does not affect **your** rights in relation to any claim made or loss occurring before the date of any fraudulent act or claim or the provision of such false information.

General conditions

Commercial storage

If any item of **your collection** is stored at a commercial storage location for more than 30 days **you** must tell **us** as soon as reasonably practicable.



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Reasonable care

You must take reasonable steps to protect your collection against loss or damage and to keep it in good condition and repair. If you make a claim under this insurance and we determine that the loss or damage that has resulted in a claim has been caused or adversely impacted directly by your failure to comply with your obligations under this condition, we may refuse to pay your claim or reduce the amount of any payment we make for the claim.

Transit

If transits are specified in the **risk details**, **you** must ensure that **your collection** is packed by competent professional packers. If **you** make a claim under this insurance and **we** determine that the loss or damage that has resulted in a claim has been caused or adversely impacted directly by **your** failure to comply with **your** obligations under this condition, **we** may refuse to pay **your** claim or reduce the amount of any payment **we** make for the claim.

Protections

You must ensure that all physical protections notified to us at the named location(s) are engaged whenever such location(s) are left unattended.

You must ensure that all fire alarm and security systems notified to us at the named location(s) are activated whenever such location(s) are left unattended. You must also advise us as soon as reasonably practicable if for any reason a system is not working properly. We may then

vary the terms and conditions of this insurance. All systems must be regularly serviced under contract by a reputable company at least annually.

If you make a claim under this insurance and we determine that the loss or damage that has resulted in a claim has been caused or adversely impacted directly by your failure to comply with your obligations under this condition, we may refuse to pay your claim or reduce the amount of any payment we make for the claim.

Cancellation

You may cancel this policy by writing to us:

- within 14 days from the start of this insurance or the date of receipt of your policy, whichever the later, and receive a full premium refund if you have not made a claim, or
- at any time after the first 14 days from the start of this insurance or receipt of your policy, whichever the later and we will return any premium you have paid for any period of insurance left provided you have not made a claim.

We may cancel this **policy** by sending **you** 30 days' notice by recorded post to **your** correspondence address shown in the **risk details**. **We** will only do this for a valid reason. **We** will return any premium **you** have paid for any **period of insurance** left.

Third parties

This **policy** is solely between **you** and **us**. Nothing in this **policy** is intended to give any other person any benefit under this **policy** or the right to enforce any term of this insurance.

Joint insured

If there is more than one insured named in the **risk details**, the total amount **we** will pay will not exceed the amount **we** would be liable to pay to any one of **you**.

Information

In deciding to accept this insurance and in setting the terms and premium, **we** have relied on the information **you** have given **us**. **You** must take care when answering any questions **we** ask by ensuring that all information provided is accurate and complete.

Misrepresentation

If **we** establish that **you** deliberately or recklessly provided **us** with false information **we** will treat this insurance as if it never existed and decline all claims.

If **we** establish that **you** were careless in providing **us** with the information **we** have relied upon in accepting this insurance and setting its terms and premium **we** may:

- treat this insurance as if it had never existed and refuse to pay all claims and return the premium paid. We will only do this if we provided you with insurance cover which we would not otherwise have offered; or
- amend the terms of your insurance. We may apply these amended terms as if they
 were already in place if a claim has been adversely impacted by your carelessness; or
- 3. cancel **your policy** in accordance with the cancellation condition.

We or your insurance agent will write to you if we:

- 4. intend to treat this insurance as if it never existed; or
- 5. need to amend the terms of your policy.



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Change in circumstance

You must tell **us**, as soon as practicable, if there are any changes to the information **you** have given **us**. **You** must also tell **us** if **you** have been made bankrupt or convicted of a crime during the **period of insurance**.

When **we** are notified of a change **we** will tell **you** if this affects **your policy**. For example **we** may cancel **your policy** in accordance with the cancellation condition or amend the terms of **your policy**.

If you do not inform us about a change it may affect any claim you make or could result in your insurance being invalid.

Governing law and jurisdiction

Unless some other law is agreed in the **risk details**, this insurance is governed by English law. If there is a dispute, it will only be dealt with in the courts of England and Wales unless some other jurisdiction is agreed in the **risk details**.

Sanctions

We shall not be deemed to provide cover and **we** shall not be liable to pay any claim or provide any benefit under this **policy** to the extent that the provision of such cover, payment of such claim or provision of such benefit would expose **us** to any sanction, prohibition or restriction under United Nations resolutions or the trade or economic sanctions, laws or regulations of the European Union, United Kingdom or United States of America.



Risk details	
Policy number:	
Insured:	
Address for correspondence:	
Period of insurance:	From: To:
Named location(s):	
Total amount insured:	
Listed items:	
Unlisted items:	
Sub-limit for unnamed locations:	
Sub-limit for transits:	
Territorial limits in respect of unnamed locations and transits:	
Excess:	
Conditions:	As per the PCX23 wording.
Premium:	
Law and jurisdiction:	