

Adequate Explanation Q&A Sheet

Below are some questions and answers aimed at explaining important features of the Credit Agreement offered by Ansvr Insurance.

Consumer Credit Act 1974

You can arrange to pay for your insurance premium by instalments by completing a Direct Debit Instruction. We will issue you with the following documents to comply with the Consumer Credit Act 1974:

1. Pre-Contract Credit Information - setting out the costs and payments on your Credit Agreement.
2. Credit Agreement - which you will need to sign.

Q) How do I apply to pay my premium by instalments?

A) You will need to complete and return the enclosed Direct Debit Instruction. We will then send your account details to your Bank or Building Society to be validated and arrange for payments to be made at agreed intervals. If we need to alter your payments we will write to tell you this before we debit your account. If you have more than one policy, your account will be charged separately for each policy. Whilst you have the option to pay by monthly instalments, your insurance policy remains an annual contract.

Q) What is the purpose of this Credit Agreement?

A) This Credit Agreement provides an easy way to pay for your insurance. It is an agreement that allows you to spread the cost of your insurance premium over a period of time, allowing you to manage your cash flow more easily over the duration of your insurance policy. Our Credit Agreement is designed specifically for repayment of insurance premiums and is not suitable for any other use.

Q) Who is eligible?

A) You must be 18 or older and have a Bank or Building Society current account. Banks or Building Societies may not accept instructions to pay Direct Debits from certain types of account, please check with them if you are not sure. We can only accept Direct Debit Instructions from the policyholder.

Q) How important is it for me to read the Pre-Contract Credit Information?

A) It is very important that you read the Pre-Contract Credit Information (known as the Standard European Consumer Credit Information or SECCI) included within your Instalment Pack and take time to consider it carefully. The Instalment Pack contains details of the cost of your Credit Agreement, the monthly payment that you will need to make and the dates on which these will be taken, as well as the terms and conditions of the Credit Agreement itself which is our legal contract with you. This information will enable you to make an informed decision about whether or not this is the right method of payment for you.

Q) Do I have the right to cancel or terminate this agreement?

A) You have the right to cancel this Credit Agreement within 14 days from receiving your copy of it by notifying us by phone, or in writing at the address shown overleaf. You may terminate this Credit Agreement free of charge at any time by giving us 14 days' notice in writing or by phone.

If you cancel or terminate the Credit Agreement you will need to pay any outstanding premium due for your insurance cover immediately.

Q) How does paying by Direct Debit work and how much will it cost?

A) Paying by Direct Debit lets you spread the cost of your insurance over 10 instalments rather than paying for it in one lump sum in advance. The premium plus Insurance Premium Tax (IPT) at the current rate plus any instalment charge that may apply (as set out in the Pre-Contract Credit Information and the Credit Agreement) will be divided equally over the instalments. Please make sure you have enough funds in your bank account each month to cover the Direct Debits. If you do not have sufficient funds you may be liable for charges from your Bank or Building Society for which we cannot be held responsible. Direct Debit is only available when you first take out your insurance or when you renew your policy. You cannot change to Direct Debit if you have already started to pay in a different way. We can only consider Direct Debit applications up to two months after the policy inception or renewal date.

Your Pre-Contract Credit Information will set out any specific charges relating to your policy.

Q) What happens at renewal?

A) When your policy is due for renewal your Direct Debit will automatically continue. We will advise you of any changes of amount and continue to apply to your Bank or Building Society for the amount due. If you want to stop your cover and cancel your Direct Debit, please contact us and your Bank or Building Society to let us know before the renewal date.

Q) What happens if I make a claim on the policy?

A) In the event of a claim you remain liable for any outstanding insurance premium. Ansvar reserves the right to deduct any outstanding premium under this agreement from any claims payments.

Q) What happens if I fail to make a payment?

A) If you fail to make a payment we will request it again from your account within the next 10 days. If this request also fails we will contact you and ask you to resolve this. If you cannot make the payment your policy will be cancelled and a charge made for any cover provided up to the date of cancellation. This would leave you without the protection of the insurance cover.

Q) How do I get further information?

A) For further information please contact us on 0345 60 20 999 or by writing to us at Ansvar Insurance, Ansvar House, St Leonards Road, Eastbourne, East Sussex, BN21 3UR.

