

# PREMISES LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE PART FOR RESIDENCE, APARTMENT AND TWO TO FOUR FAMILY DWELLINGS

#### **AGREEMENT**

**We** agree to provide Premises Liability insurance and the other related coverages described in this Policy in return for payment of the required premium. **We** have added this Coverage Part to **your** Property Insurance Policy. It will expire at the same time the Property Insurance Policy expires and it is subject to the same cancellation provisions.

It is important that *you* read each part of this policy carefully to understand the coverage provided, *your* obligations and *our* obligations under the policy. Each coverage is subject to all *terms* relating to that coverage.

The complete Premises Liability Coverage consists of the declarations page, this booklet, and other endorsements which may be added.

The Table of Contents shows how the coverage part is organized and will help *you* locate particular sections.

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# **DEFINITIONS**-The following definitions apply to this policy.

- 1. The words *you* and *your* refer to the person or entity named in the Declarations and the words *we*, *us* and *our* refer to the insurance company named in the Declarations.
- 2. *Bodily injury* means *bodily injury*, bodily sickness or bodily disease sustained by any person which occurs during the policy period, including death at any time resulting from such *bodily injury*, bodily sickness or bodily disease.
- 3. *Business* means a trade, profession, or other occupation including farming, all whether full or part time, or the rental of any property to others. (However, *business* does not include the rental of the *insured premises* for residential purposes)
- 4. *Insured*-Each of the following is an *insured* under the conditions and limitations set forth below:
  - a. If the named *insured* is an individual, *insured* means *you* and, if residents of *your* household, *your* relatives and any person under the age of 21 in *your* care or in the care of *your* resident relatives.
  - b. If the named *insured* is a partnership or joint venture, any partner or member and their spouse is an *insured* but only with respect to the conduct of the *business*.
  - c. If the named *insured* is an organization, the executive officers, members of the board of trustees, directors and governors are *insureds* while acting within the scope of their duties as officers or directors. Stockholders are also *insureds* but only with respect to their liability as stockholders.
  - d. If *you* die while *insured* under this policy *your* protection passes to *your* legal representative or other person having proper temporary custody of covered property. However, this person or *your* legal representative is an *insured* only with respect to insurance on covered property and legal liability arising out of the property. Any

person who is an *insured* at the time of *your* death continues to be an *insured* while residing on the *insured* premises.

e. Each person listed above is a separate *insured* under this policy, but this does not increase *our* limit of liability under this policy.

#### 5. Insured Premises.

#### a. Described Location:

- 1) If you own the one to four family house described in the Declarations, the *insured premises* means that house, related private structures, and grounds at that location.
- 2) If *you* own the townhouse or row house described in the Declarations, the *insured premises* means that townhouse or row house, related private structures and grounds used or occupied exclusively by *your* household for residential purposes at that location.
- 3) If *you* own the one or two family mobile home described in the Declarations, the *insured premises* means that mobile home, related private structures and grounds at that location.
- 4) If *you* reside in the condominium unit, cooperative, apartment or rented premises described in the Declarations, the *insured premises* means the parts of the described location which are used or occupied exclusively by *your* household for residential purposes.
- b. *Insured premises* also include the following:
  - 1) any premises used by you in connection with the described location; and
  - 2) approaches and access ways immediately adjoining the *insured premises*.
- 6. *Medical expenses* mean reasonable and necessary expenses for medical, surgical, X-ray, dental, ambulance, hospital, professional nursing and funeral services, prosthetic devices, and eyeglasses, including contact lenses.
- 7. *Motorized Vehicle* means any self-propelled land or amphibious vehicle (regardless of horsepower, number of wheels or method of surface contact) including parts and equipment. (This does not include small motorized equipment for the service of the *insured premises such* as power lawn mowers and snow blowers)

The following categories of *motorized vehicles* have specific meanings as used in this policy.

- a. *Motor Vehicle* means a *motorized vehicle*, trailer or semi-trailer (including any attached machinery or apparatus):
  - 1) subject to *motor vehicle* registration; or
  - 2) designed for use or travel on public roads.
- b. *Recreational motor vehicle means* a *motorized vehicle* (other than a *motor vehicle* as defined above), trailer, or attached apparatus designed or used for recreation, vacation or leisure time activities.
- 8. Occurrence means an accident, including continuous or repeated exposure to substantially similar conditions.
- 9. **Property Damage** means injury to or destruction of tangible property including the loss of its use.
- 10. *Residence* means a one to four family house, a townhouse, a row house, or one or two family mobile home.
- 11. *Terms* as used in this policy mean provisions, limitations, exclusions and definitions.

# PRINCIPAL BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE COVERAGES

# **Coverage L-Premises Liability Coverage**

We pay up to our limit of liability, all sums for which the insured is legally liable because of bodily injury or property damage caused by an occurrence to which this coverage applies. We shall have the right and duty to defend any suit seeking damages, even if any of the allegations of the suit are groundless, false or fraudulent, provided the suit resulted from bodily injury or property damage not excluded under this coverage. The bodily injury or property damage must result from the ownership, maintenance or use of the insured premises, and operations necessary or incidental to the insured premises.

We will defend (with counsel of our choice) any suit seeking damages, provided the suit resulted from bodily injury or property damage not excluded under this coverage. We may make any investigation and settle any claim or suit that we decide is appropriate. We are not obligated to provide a defense after we have paid, either by judgement or settlement, an amount equal to our limit of liability.

# **Coverage M-Premises Medical Payments**

We provide Premises Medical Payments only if a limit of liability for Premises Medical Payments is shown on the Declarations.

We pay the necessary medical expenses incurred or medically determined within one year from the date of an accident causing bodily injury to which this coverage applies. This coverage applies only to bodily injury

- 1. caused by a condition in the *insured premises*.
- 2. caused by operations covered by the *bodily injury* liability afforded by this policy.

#### INCIDENTAL BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE COVERAGES

This policy provides the following Incidental Liability Coverages. These incidental coverages are subject to the *terms* of the Principal Liability Coverages. These incidental coverages do not increase the limit of liability stated for the principal coverages except: Claims Expense Coverage and First Aid Expense Coverage.

- 1. **Contracts and Agreements Coverage-**We pay for damages for **bodily injury** or **property damage** resulting from liability assumed by an **insured** under a contract, relating to the **insured premises** provided:
  - a. the contract is in writing and made before the loss; and
  - b. it is not in connection with *business* activities of any *insured*.
- 2. Claims and Defense Expense Coverage-We pay the following expenses incurred in connection with a suit defended by us under the Personal Liability coverage:
  - a. costs taxed to the *insured*;
  - b. expenses incurred by us;
  - c. actual loss of earnings by an *insured*, up to \$50 per day, for time spent away from work at *our* request;
  - d. other necessary expenses incurred at our request;
  - e. interest accruing after entry of a judgment but ending when we tender or pay up to the applicable limit of liability;
  - f. prejudgment interest awarded against the *insured* on that part of the judgement we pay. If we make an offer to pay the applicable limit of liability, we will not pay any prejudgment interest based on that period of time after the offer;
  - g. premiums on appeal bonds or bonds to release attachments up to *our* limit of liability; *(we* are not required to apply for or furnish any bonds) and
  - h. premiums up to \$500 per bail bond required of any *insured* because of an accident or traffic law violation arising out of the use of any vehicle to which this policy applies. (*We* are not required to apply for or furnish any bonds).

**We** do not pay for punitive or exemplary damages, or defense costs related thereto. This exclusion applies regardless of any other provision of this policy or endorsements attached to this policy.

- 3. **First Aid Expense Coverage-**Regardless of an *insured's* legal liability, *we* pay expenses incurred by an *insured* for first aid to persons, other than *insureds*, for *bodily injury* covered by this policy.
- 4. Incidental *Motorized Vehicle* Coverage-We pay for bodily injury or property damage which:
  - a. occurs on the *insured premises* and results from the ownership, maintenance, use, loading or unloading by an *insured* of:
    - 1) motorized vehicles not subject to motor vehicle registration because of their type or use; or
    - 2) recreational motor vehicles;
  - b. occurs away from the *insured premises* and results *from motorized vehicles* designed exclusively for use off public roads and used principally to service the *insured premises* and not subject to *motor vehicle* registration.
- 5. Incidental Business Coverage-We pay for bodily injury or property damage resulting from:
  - a. the occasional rental of the portion of the *insured premises* normally occupied by *you*, exclusively for residential purposes;
  - b. the rental of any other portion of the *insured premises* for residential purposes; (No family unit may include more than two roomers or boarders)
  - c. the rental of a portion of the *insured premises* as a school, studio, office or private garage;
  - d. incidental activities normally performed by minors; and
  - e. activities in conjunction with business pursuits which are ordinarily considered non-business in nature.
- 6. **Watercraft-***We* pay for *bodily injury* or *property damage* resulting from the ownership or maintenance of watercraft, while ashore on the *insured premises*.
- 7. **Operations at** *Insured Premises-We pay* for *bodily injury* or *property damage* resulting from structural alterations and repairs conducted on the *insured premises* These operations must not change the use of the premises from that described in the Declarations.

### **EXCLUSIONS**

- 1. Exclusions that Apply to *Bodily Injury*, *Property Damage* and *Premises Medical Payments* Coverages This Policy does not apply to liability:
  - a. caused directly or indirectly by war; (This means undeclared war, civil war, insurrection, rebellion, revolution, warlike act by a military force or military personnel, destruction, seizure or use of property for a military purpose.
    It includes any consequence of any of these. Discharge of a nuclear weapon shall be deemed a warlike act even if accidental)

- b. resulting from the ownership, operation, maintenance, use, occupancy, renting, loaning, entrusting, supervision, loading or unloading of aircraft;
- c. resulting from the ownership, operation, maintenance, use, occupancy, renting, loaning, entrusting, supervision, loading or unloading by an *insured* of *motorized vehicles* or watercraft, except as provided under Incidental *Bodily Injury* and *Property Damage* Coverages;
- d. resulting from the use of a *motorized vehicle* in any racing, speed, pulling or pushing, demolition or stunting activity or contest or in the practice or preparation for such activity or contest;
- e. resulting from the rendering of or failing to render professional services;
- f. resulting from activities in connection with an *insured's business*, except as provided under Incidental *Bodily Injury* and *Property Damage* Coverages;
- g. resulting from premises owned, rented or controlled by an *insured* other than the *insured premises*;
- h. caused intentionally by or at the direction of any *insured*, including unintentionally caused injuries resulting from assault, battery and/or sexual abuse by or at the direction of any *insured*;
- i. for *bodily injury* if benefits are payable or required to be provided by an *insured* under any workers' compensation, non-occupational disability, occupational disease or similar law;
- j. for which an *insured* under this policy is also an *insured* under a nuclear energy liability policy or would be an *insured* but for the exhaustion of its limits of liability. (A nuclear energy liability policy is a policy issued by the Nuclear Energy Liability Insurance Association, Mutual Atomic Energy Liability Underwriters, Nuclear Insurance Association of Canada, or any of their successors)
- k. resulting from *bodily injury* to any employee of the *insured* arising out of and in the course of his/her employment by the *insured* or to any obligation of the *insured* to indemnify or contribute with another because of damages arising out of such injury.
- 1. for *bodily injury* or *property damage* for which an *insured* may be held liable:
  - 1. as a person or organization engaged in the manufacture, distribution, sale or serving of alcoholic beverages; and
    - a) when an *insured* serves or provides alcoholic beverages at a fee; whether for profit or otherwise and whether a license is required or not; or
    - b) when an *insured* serves or provides alcoholic beverages free; if a license is required for such activities;
  - 2. if not so engaged, as an owner or lessor of premises used for such purposes, if such liability is imposed:
    - a) by, or because of the violation of any statute, ordinance or regulation pertaining to the sale, gift, distribution or use of any alcoholic beverage; or
    - b) by reason of the selling, serving or giving of any alcoholic beverage to a minor or to a person under the influence of alcohol or which causes or contributes to the intoxication of any person;
    - but, part 2 b) of this exclusion **does not apply** with respect to liability of an *insured* as owner or lessor described in 2. above;
- m. caused by structural alterations, new construction or demolition operations performed by or for *you* except as provided in Incidental *Bodily Injury* and *Property Damage* Coverages; or
- n. for *bodily injury* or *property damage* for which an *insured* may be held liable:
  - 1. resulting directly or indirectly from the transmission of a communicable disease by an *insured* or an employee of an *insured*; or
  - 2. resulting from the use, possession, manufacture, sale or distribution of controlled substances as shown in 21 USCS 812 and amendments. The legitimate use of prescription drugs is excepted from this exclusion.
- 2. Exclusions that Apply only to Bodily injury and Property damage-This coverage does not apply to liability:
  - a. for *bodily injury* to *you* and, if residents of *your* household, *your* relatives, and any other person under the age of 21 in *your* care or in the care of *your* resident relatives;
  - b. assumed under any contract or agreement, except as provided under incidental Liability and Medical Payments Coverages;
  - c. for damage to property owned by any *insured*; for damage to property rented to, occupied by, used by, or in the care of an *insured*; and
  - d. resulting from *bodily injury* or *property damage* arising out of the actual, alleged or threatened discharge, dispersal, release or escape of pollutants:
    - 1. at or from premises owned, rented or occupied by the named *insured*;
    - 2. at or from any site or location used by or for the named *insured* or others for the handling, storage, disposal, processing or treatment of waste;
    - 3. which are at any time transported, handled, stored, treated, disposed of, or processed as waste by or for the named *insured* or any other person or organization for whom the named *insured* may be legally responsible; or

- 4. at or from any site or location on which the *named insured* or any contractors or subcontractors working directly or indirectly on behalf of the *named insured* are performing operations:
  - a) if the pollutants are brought on or to the site or location in connection with such operations; or
  - b) if the operations are to test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize the pollutants.

For the purpose of this provision, pollutant means any solid, liquid, gaseous or thermal irritant or contaminant, including smoke, vapor, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, chemicals and waste. Waste includes materials to be recycled, reconditioned or reclaimed.

We do not pay for any loss, cost or expense arising out of any governmental direction or request that the *named* insured test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize pollutants.

This exclusion does not apply to *bodily injury* or *property damage* caused by heat, smoke or fumes from a hostile fire. For the purpose of this exclusion, hostile fire means a fire which becomes uncontrollable or breaks out from where it was intended to be.

- 3. Exclusion that Apply only to Premises Medical Payments -This coverage does not apply to bodily injury:
  - a. to an insured;
  - b. to any tenant or other person regularly residing on the *insured premises*;
  - c. to any person while on the *insured premises* because a *business* is conducted or professional services are rendered there; or except as provided under Incidental *Bodily injury* and *Property damage* Coverages; and
  - d. to any person, if benefits are provided under any workers' compensation, non-occupational disability, occupational disease or similar law.

# WHAT YOU MUST DO IN CASE OF LOSS

- 1. Notice.
  - a. In case of a loss or if an *insured* becomes aware of anything that indicates there might be a claim under this policy, he or she must, as soon as reasonably practicable, give *us* or *our* agent notice;
  - b. The notice to *us* must state:
    - 1) the *insured's* name, policy identification, the time, place, and circumstances of the loss; and
    - 2) names and addresses of any potential claimants and witnesses.
- 2. Cooperation-The *insured* must cooperate with *us* in performing all acts required by this policy.
- 3. **Volunteer Payments-**The *insured* must not, except at his or her own cost, voluntarily make any payments, assume any obligations, or incur any other expenses except first aid at the time of *bodily injury*.
- 4. Additional Duties-Bodily Injury and Property Damage Coverages-In the event of an occurrence which might result in a claim for bodily injury or property damage liability under this policy, the insured must also do the following:
  - a. promptly forward to *us* copies of all notices, demands, or legal papers received in connection with the *occurrence*; and
  - b. at *our* request, assist in:
    - 1) making settlements;
    - 2) the conduct of suits including attending trials and hearings;
    - 3) enforcing any right of contribution or indemnification against any party who may be liable to any *insured* for the injury or damage;
    - 4) securing and giving evidence; and
    - 5) obtaining the attendance of witnesses.
- 5. Additional Duties-Premises Medical Payments-In case of a Premises Medical Payments loss, the following are also required:
  - a. The injured person or someone acting on such persons behalf must:
    - 1) give us written proof of claim (under oath if requested) as soon as practical; and
    - 2) authorize us to obtain copies of medical reports and records;
  - b. The injured person shall submit to physical examinations by physicians selected by *us* when and as often as *we* reasonably require.

# HOW MUCH WE PAY FOR LOSS OR CLAIM

- 1. **Under** *Bodily injury* **and** *Property damage* **Coverages-**The limits of liability stated in the Declarations are the maximum amounts *we* pay for loss in a single *occurrence* under these coverages, regardless of the number of:
  - a. persons insured under this policy;
  - b. parties who sustain injury or damage; or
  - c. claims made or suits brought.

- 2. **Under Premises Medical Payments Coverage** for the limit of liability stated in the Declarations for "each person" is the limit for all *medical expense* for *bodily injury* to any person as the result of any one accident and the total paid in each accident for two or more persons shall not exceed the limit of liability stated for "each accident." Payment of a claim under the Premises Medical Payments Coverage does not constitute an admission of liability under the Premises Liability Coverage.
- 3. **Insurance Under More Than One Policy**-If there is other valid and collectible insurance which applies to a loss or claim, or would have applied in the absence of this policy, the insurance under this policy shall be considered excess insurance and shall not apply or contribute to the payment of any loss or claim until the amount of such other insurance is exhausted.
- 4. **Restoration of Limit of Liability-**Any loss we pay under this policy does not reduce the limits of liability.

# PAYMENT OF LOSS OR CLAIM

Any person, who has secured a judgment against an *insured* for a covered loss or has liability established by a written agreement between the claimant, an *insured* and *us*, is entitled to recover under this policy to the extent of coverage provided.

# POLICY CONDITIONS

In addition to the policy *terms* which are contained in other sections of this policy, the following conditions also apply.

- 1. **Assignment-**This policy is void if assigned without *our* written consent.
- 2. Change, Modification, or Waiver of Policy Terms-A waiver or change of any terms of this policy must be issued by us in writing to be valid. Our request for an appraisal or examination under oath does not waive any of our rights. If we adopt any revision of forms or endorsements during a policy period which would broaden coverage under this policy without additional premium, the broadened coverage will automatically apply to this policy.
  - If this policy is issued on a continuous basis (with no specified expiration date) we may substitute or add, upon any anniversary date, forms or endorsements which are authorized for use on this policy in accordance with our manual rules in effect at the time.
- 3. **Conformity with Statute-***Terms* of this policy, in conflict with the statutes of the state where the premises described in the Declarations are located, are amended to conform to such statutes.
- 4. **Misrepresentation, Concealment or Fraud-**This entire policy is void if, whether before or after a loss:
  - a. An *insured* has willfully concealed or misrepresented:
    - 1) any material fact or circumstance concerning this insurance; or
    - 2) an *insured's* interest herein;
  - b. There has been fraud or false swearing by an *insured* regarding any matter relating to this insurance or the subject thereof
- 5. **Inspection-**We are permitted but not obligated to inspect your property and operations. Our inspection or any resulting advice or report does not warrant that your property or operations are safe or healthful or are in compliance with any law, rule or regulation.
- 6. **Policy Premium-**If this policy is issued without a specified expiration date, it may be continued by payment of the required premium for the next annual period. The premium must be paid to *us* before each anniversary date. This policy expires on any anniversary date that the premium has not been received by *us*. Premium is subject to adjustment on the basis of the rates in effect at each anniversary date.
- 7. Subrogation.
  - a. If we make a payment under this policy, we may require that the *insured* assign to us his or her right of recovery against any person for the loss to the extent of the payment. The *insured* must do everything necessary to make this assignment and secure our rights.
  - b. **We** are not liable for any loss if an **insured** does anything after the loss occurs to impair **our** right to recover. **You** may waive **your** right of recovery in writing before a loss occurs without voiding the coverage.
  - c. If we pay a loss to or on behalf of an *insured* and the *insured* recovers damages from another person for the same loss, the *insured* shall hold the amount recovered in trust for us and shall reimburse us as provided under Recoveries.
- 8. Suit Against Us.

**Liability Coverage-**No suit may be brought against *us* to recover amounts due for *bodily injury* or *property damage* liability unless:

- a. the terms of this policy have been fully complied with; and
- b. the amount of any *insured's* liability has been conclusively fixed:
  - 1) by a final judgment against the *insured* following trial; or
  - 2) by written agreement of the *insured*, the claimant and *us*.

- No person shall have any right under this policy to join or implead us in any action brought to determine an insured's liability.
- 9. **Bankruptcy of an** *Insured*-Bankruptcy or insolvency of any *insured* or his or her estate does not relieve *us* of any of *our* obligations under this policy.
- 10. **Policy Period**-This policy applies only to *bodily injury* or *property damage* which occurs during the policy period.