

**UNITED STATES FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY**  
Administrative Office: 5 Christopher Way, Eatontown, New Jersey 07724  
(Hereinafter referred to as "the Company")

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**TRAVEL PROTECTION INSURANCE**  
Certificate of Insurance

This Certificate of Insurance describes all of the travel insurance benefits underwritten by United States Fire Insurance Company, herein referred to as the Company. The insurance benefits vary from program to program. Please refer to the accompanying Scheduled of Benefits. It provides the Insured with specific information about the program he or she purchased. The Insured should contact the Company immediately if he or she believes that the Scheduled of Benefits is incorrect.

Signed for **United States Fire Insurance Company** By:



Marc J. Adee  
Chairman and CEO



James Kraus  
Secretary

Insurance provided by this Certificate is subject to all of the terms and conditions of the Group Policy. If there is a conflict between the Policy and Certificate, the Policy will govern.

If the Insured is not completely satisfied with the insurance he or she must notify the Company within 10 days of purchase and return the certificate. The Company will give the Insured a full refund of premium provided he or she has not already departed on the Covered Trip or filed a claim.

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**SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS**

<b><u>Benefit</u></b>	<b><u>Maximum Benefit Amount/Principal Sum</u></b>
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**Part A – Travel Insurance Benefits**

24 Hour Accidental Death & Dismemberment.....	\$50,000
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Accident & Sickness Medical Expense.....	\$50,000
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Emergency Medical Evacuation.....	\$50,000
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**Part B – Travel Arrangement Protection**

Trip Cancellation.....	Trip Cost
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Trip Interruption.....	Trip Cost
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Baggage & Personal Effects.....	\$2,000
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Baggage Delay (Up to \$50 Per Day).....	\$150
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Trip Delay (Up to \$500 Per Day).....	\$2,500
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## SECTION I. COVERAGES

### 24-HOUR ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT

This Benefit is provided only if shown as covered on the Scheduled of Benefits.

When an Insured sustains covered injuries resulting in any of the following losses within 180 days from the date of the accident, benefits will be paid as follows:

Type of Loss	Benefit Amount
Loss of life	Principle Sum
Loss of both feet	Principle Sum
Loss of both hands	Principle Sum
Loss of both eyes	Principle Sum
Loss of one hand and one foot	Principle Sum
Loss of one hand and one eye	Principle Sum
Loss of one foot and one eye	Principle Sum
Loss of one hand	Half of the Principle Sum
Loss of one foot	Half of the Principle Sum
Loss of one eye	Half of the Principle Sum
Loss of thumb and index finger of the same hand	Quarter of the Principle Sum

**Loss of hand or hands, or foot or feet**, means severance at or above the wrist joint or ankle joint, respectively,

**Loss of eye or eyes** means the total and irrecoverable loss of the entire sight thereof.

Only one of the amounts shown above (the largest applicable) will be paid for Injuries resulting from one accident.

The benefit for loss of: (a) two limbs; (b) both eyes; or (c) one limb and one eye is payable only when such loss results from the same accident.

The Principal Sum is shown in the Scheduled of Benefits.

### EXPOSURE AND DISAPPEARANCE

If, while insured under this Coverage, an Insured is unavoidably exposed to the elements because of a covered accident and suffers a loss for which benefits are payable under this Coverage, such loss will be covered.

If, while insured under this Coverage, an Insured is in an accident resulting in the disappearance, sinking or damaging of an air or water conveyance on which he or she is covered by this Coverage, and if his or her body has not been found within 52 weeks from the date of the accident, it will be presumed, unless there is evidence to the contrary, that he or she suffered loss of life as a result of those Injuries.

## ACCIDENT MEDICAL EXPENSE

This Benefit is provided only if shown as covered on the Scheduled of Benefits. For purposes of this benefit:

“Covered Expense” means expense incurred for services and supplies: (a) listed below; and (b) ordered or prescribed by a Legally Qualified Physician as Medically Necessary for diagnosis or treatment; which is limited to:

1. the services of a Legally Qualified Physician;
2. Hospital or ambulatory medical-surgical center services (this will also include expenses for a cruise ship cabin or hotel room, not already included in the cost of the Insured’s Covered Trip, if recommended as a substitute for a hospital room for recovery of an Injury);
3. transportation furnished by a professional ambulance company to and/or from a Hospital; and prescribed drugs, prosthetics and therapeutic services and supplies.

Benefits will be paid for the Covered Expense incurred, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount, if an Insured incurs a Covered Expense as a result of an accidental Injury which occurs during the Covered Trip. Only Covered Expenses incurred during the Covered Trip will be reimbursed. Expenses incurred after the Covered Trip are not covered.

Benefits will include expenses for emergency dental treatment due to accidental Injury not to exceed \$750.00. Benefits will not be paid in excess of the Usual and Customary Charges.

Advance payment will be made to a Hospital, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount, if needed to secure an Insured’s admission to a Hospital, because of a covered accidental Injury. The authorized travel assistance company will coordinate advance payment to the Hospital.

**NEW YORK MANDATES:** Under New York Law, certain mandated benefits are required to be provided under a medical expense policy.

The Company will pay benefits as applicable to this program for such mandates. The Maximum Benefit Amount is shown in the Scheduled of Benefits.

## SICKNESS MEDICAL EXPENSE

This Coverage is made a part of the policy to which it is attached. It is subject to all policy provisions of this Coverage. For purposes of this benefit:

“Covered Expense” means expense incurred for services and supplies: (a) listed below; and (b) ordered or prescribed by a Legally Qualified Physician as Medically Necessary for diagnosis or treatment; which is limited to:

1. the services of a Legally Qualified Physician;
2. Hospital or ambulatory medical-surgical center services (this will also include expenses for a cruise ship cabin or hotel room, not already included in the cost of the Insured’s Covered Trip, if recommended as a substitute for a hospital room for recovery of a Covered Sickness);
3. transportation furnished by a professional ambulance company to and/or from a Hospital; and
4. prescribed drugs, prosthetics and therapeutic services and supplies.

Benefits will be paid for the Covered Expense incurred, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount, if an Insured incurs a Covered Expense as a result of Sickness which first manifests itself during the Covered Trip. Only Covered Expenses incurred during the Covered Trip will be reimbursed. Expenses incurred after the Covered Trip are not covered.

Benefits will include expenses for emergency dental treatment not to exceed \$750.00

Benefits will not be paid in excess of the Usual and Customary Charges.

Advance payment will be made to a Hospital, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount, if needed to secure an Insured’s admission to a Hospital, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount, because of a covered Sickness. The authorized travel assistance company will coordinate advance payment to the Hospital.

**NEW YORK MANDATES:** Under New York Law, certain mandated benefits are required to be provided under a medical expense policy.

The Company will pay benefits as applicable to this program for such mandates. The Maximum Benefit Amount is shown in the Scheduled of Benefits.

## EMERGENCY MEDICAL EVACUATION, MEDICAL REPATRIATION AND RETURN OF REMAINS

This Benefit is provided only if shown as covered on the Scheduled of Benefits.

When an Insured suffers loss of life for any reason or incurs a Sickness or Injury during the course of a Covered Trip, the following benefits are

payable, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount.

1. **For Emergency Medical Evacuation:** If the local attending Legally Qualified Physician and the authorized travel assistance company determine that transportation to a Hospital or medical facility is Medically Necessary to treat an unforeseen Sickness or Injury which is acute or life threatening and adequate Medical Treatment is not available in the immediate area, the Transportation Expense incurred will be paid for the Usual and Customary Charges for transportation to the closest Hospital or medical facility capable of providing that treatment.

If an Insured is in the Hospital for more than 3 consecutive days and the Insured's dependent children who are under 18 years of age and accompanying the Insured on the Covered Trip, are left unattended, Economy Transportation will be paid to return the dependents to their home (with an attendant, if considered necessary by the travel assistance company).

If an Insured is traveling alone and is in the Hospital for more than 3 consecutive days and Emergency Evacuation is not imminent, upon request of the Insured or next of kin if Insured is incapacitated, benefits will be paid to transport one person, chosen by the Insured, by Economy Transportation, for a single visit to and from his or her bedside.

2. **For Medical Repatriation:**

- a) If the local attending Legally Qualified Physician and the authorized travel assistance company determine that it is Medically Necessary for an Insured to return to his or her place of permanent residence because of an unforeseen Sickness or Injury which is acute or life-threatening, the Transportation Expense incurred will be paid for an Insured's return to his or her permanent residence via:
  - i) one-way Economy Transportation; or
  - ii) commercial upgrade, based on an Insured's condition as recommended by the local attending Legally Qualified Physician and verified in writing.

Transportation must be via the most direct and economical route.

- b) If the local attending Legally Qualified Physician and the authorized travel assistance company determine that it is Medically Necessary for an Insured to return to his or her place of permanent residence for continued treatment of an unforeseen Sickness or Injury which is acute or life-threatening, the Transportation Expense incurred will be paid for transportation to the Hospital or medical facility closest to an Insured's permanent place of residence capable of providing that treatment. Transportation must be by the most direct and economical route. Covered land or air transportation includes, but is not limited to, commercial stretcher, medical escort, or the Usual and Customary Charges for air ambulance, provided such transportation has been pre-approved and arranged by the authorized travel assistance company.

3. **For Return of Remains:** In the event of an Insured's death, the expense incurred will be paid for minimally necessary casket or air tray, preparation and transportation of an Insured's remains to his or her place of residence or to the place of burial.

If benefits are payable under this Coverage and an Insured has other insurance that may provide benefits for this same loss, the Company reserves the right to recover from such other insurance. An Insured shall:

- a) notify the Company of any other insurance;
- b) help the Company exercise the Company's rights in any reasonable way that the Company may request, including the filing and assignment of other insurance benefits;
- c) not do anything after the loss to prejudice the Company's rights; and
- d) reimburse to the Company, to the extent of any payment the Company has made, for benefits received from such other insurance.

Benefits are paid less the value of the Insured's original unused return travel ticket.

The Maximum Benefit Amount is shown in the Scheduled of Benefits.

### TRIP CANCELLATION

This Benefit is provided only if shown as covered on the Scheduled of Benefits.

Benefits will be paid up to the Maximum Benefit Amount purchased to cover an Insured for the Published Penalties and unused non-refundable prepaid expenses for Travel Arrangements when an Insured is prevented from taking his or her Covered Trip due to:

1. death of an Insured, Traveling Companion or Business Partner, or Family Member of an Insured or Traveling Companion;
2. a covered Sickness or Injury involving an Insured, Traveling Companion or Business Partner, or Family Member of an Insured or Traveling Companion which necessitates Medical Treatment at the time of cancellation and results in medically imposed restrictions, as certified by a Legally Qualified Physician, which prevents an Insured's participation in the Covered Trip;
3. an Insured or Traveling Companion being hijacked, quarantined, required to serve on a jury (notice of jury duty must be received after the Effective Date) served with a court order to appear as a witness in a legal action in which an Insured or Traveling Companion is not a party (except law enforcement officers);

4. an Insured's or Traveling Companion's principal place of residence being rendered uninhabitable by unforeseen circumstances or fire or flood or burglary of primary residence within 10 days of departure.
5. an Insured or Traveling Companion being directly involved in a traffic accident, which must be substantiated by a police report, while en route to an Insured's scheduled point of departure;
6. An Insured or Traveling Companion is in the Military and called to emergency duty for a national disaster other than war;
7. Employer termination or layoff affecting the Insured or a person(s) sharing the same room with the Insured during the Insured's Covered Trip. Employment must have been with the same employer for at least 3 continuous years.
8. Natural disaster at the site of the Insured's destination, which renders their destination accommodations uninhabitable limited to the cost of the airfare of the Insured's Covered Trip;
9. Felonious Assault of the Insured or Traveling Companion within 10 days of the Scheduled Departure Date;

All cancellations must be reported to the Travel Supplier within 72 hours of the event causing the need to cancel. If the event delays the reporting of the cancellation beyond the 72 hours, the event should be reported as soon as possible. All other delays of reporting beyond 72 hours will result in reduced benefit payments.

### Single Supplement

Benefits will be paid, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount, for the additional cost incurred as a result of a change in the per person occupancy rate for prepaid Travel Arrangements if a Traveling Companion has his or her Covered Trip delayed, canceled or interrupted for a covered reason and an Insured does not cancel.

The Maximum Benefit Amount is the lesser of the total cost of the Insured's Covered Trip; or the total amount of coverage the Insured purchased as shown in the Scheduled of Benefits.

### TRIP INTERRUPTION

This Benefit is provided only if shown as covered on the Scheduled of Benefits.

Benefits will be paid, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount, for the non-refundable, unused portion of the prepaid expenses for Travel Arrangements and/or the additional cost for one way Economy Transportation for the Insured to return to their original destination or rejoin their Trip less the value of the original unused return travel ticket when an Insured is prevented from completing his or her Trip due to:

- a) Sickness, Injury or death involving You or Your Traveling Companion or You or Your Traveling Companion's Business Partner or Your Family Member which results in medically imposed restrictions as certified by a Legally Qualified Physician at the time of loss preventing the Insured's continued participation in the Trip;
- b) an Insured's or Traveling Companion's principal place of residence being rendered uninhabitable by unforeseen circumstances or fire or flood or burglary of primary residence during the Insured's Covered Trip.;
- c) Terrorism in a country which is part of the Trip, which causes the United States Department of State to issue a travel warning that an Insured should not travel within that country for a period of time that would include the Trip. Such travel warning must be made after the Effective Date;
- d) Hijack, quarantine, jury duty, or court ordered appearance as a witness in a legal action in which an Insured or Traveling Companion is not a party (except law enforcement officers);
- e) The Insured or Traveling Companion is called to emergency military duty for a national disaster other than war;
- f) Traffic accident, substantiated by a police report, directly involving either the Insured or Traveling Companion while en route to a scheduled point of departure;
- g) If the Travel Supplier cancels Your Trip, You are eligible for the benefit amount shown in the Scheduled of Benefits for the reissue fee charged by the airline for each of the Insureds' tickets. You must have protected the entire cost of their Trips, including the airfare.

If a Traveling Companion must remain hospitalized, benefits will also be paid for reasonable accommodation and transportation expenses incurred by an Insured to remain with the traveling companion up to \$150 per day and limited to 10 days.

If an Insured cannot continue travel due to a covered Injury or Sickness not requiring hospitalization, and an Insured must extend his or her Covered Trip with additional hotel nights up to \$100 per day and limited to 5 days due to medically imposed restrictions, as certified by a Legally Qualified Physician.

If the Insured's Travel Supplier cancels the Insured's Covered Trip, the Insured is covered up to \$250.00 for the reissue fee charges by the airline for the tickets. The Insurance must have covered the entire cost of the Covered Trip including the airfare.

The Maximum Benefit Amount is the lesser of the total cost of the Insured's Covered Trip; or the total amount of coverage the Insured purchased as shown in the Scheduled of Benefits.

## BAGGAGE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS

This Benefit is provided only if shown as covered on the Scheduled of Benefits. For purposes of this benefit:

“Baggage and Personal Effects” means goods being used by an Insured during a Covered Trip. The term Baggage and Personal Effects does not include:

- a) animals;
- b) automobiles and automobile equipment;
- c) boats or other vehicles or conveyances;
- d) trailers;
- e) motors;
- f) aircraft;
- g) bicycles, except when checked as baggage with a Common Carrier;
- h) household effects and furnishings;
- i) antiques and collectors items;
- j) prosthetic limbs;
- k) prescribed medications;
- l) keys, money, credit cards (except as coverage is otherwise specifically provided herein), securities, stamps, tickets and documents (except as coverage is otherwise specifically provided herein);
- m) professional or occupational equipment or property, whether or not electronic business equipment; or

For Baggage and Personal Effects: Coverage will be provided to an Insured: (a) against all risks of permanent loss, theft or damage to baggage and personal effects; (b) subject to all Exclusions and Limitations in the policy; (c) up to the Maximum Benefit Amount; and (d) occurring while this coverage is in force.

The lesser of the following amounts will be paid:

- a) the actual cash value (cost less proper deduction for depreciation) at the time of loss, theft or damage;
- b) the cost to repair or replace the article with material of a like kind and quality; or
- c) \$300 per article.

A combined maximum of \$1,000 will be paid for jewelry, watches, articles consisting in whole or in part of silver, gold or platinum, articles trimmed with fur, cameras and their accessories and related equipment.

A maximum of \$100 will be paid for the cost of replacing a passport or visa.

A maximum of \$100 will be paid for the cost associated with the unauthorized use of lost or stolen credit cards, subject to verification that the Insured has complied with all conditions of the credit card company.

For Baggage Delay: If, while on a Covered Trip, an Insured's checked baggage is delayed or misdirected by a Common Carrier for more than 24 hours from his or her time of arrival at a destination other than at his or her place of permanent residence, benefits will be paid, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount, for the actual expenditure for necessary personal effects. An Insured must be a ticketed passenger on a Common Carrier. The Common Carrier must certify the delay or misdirection. Receipts for the purchases must accompany any claim.

Benefits will not be paid for any expenses which have been reimbursed or for any services which have been provided by the Common Carrier, hotel or Travel Supplier; nor will benefits be paid for loss or damage to property specifically schedule under any other insurance.

The Maximum Benefit Amount is shown in the Scheduled of Benefits.

## TRIP DELAY

This Benefit is provided only if shown as covered on the Scheduled of Benefits.

If an Insured is delayed for 6 hours or more hours while in route to or from a Covered Trip, due to:

- a) any delay of a Common Carrier. The delay must be certified by the Common Carrier;
- b) a traffic accident in which an Insured or Traveling Companion are not directly involved (must be substantiated by a police report);
- c) quarantine, hijacking, terrorism, strike, natural disaster, or riot;
- d) documented weather condition preventing the Insured from getting to the point of departure;

benefits will be paid, on a one-time basis, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount, for:

- a) the Additional Transportation Cost from the point where an Insured was delayed to a destination where he or she can join the Covered Trip;
- b) the Additional Transportation Cost to return an Insured to his or her originally scheduled return destination;
- c) reasonable accommodation and meal expenses up to \$500 per day necessarily incurred by an Insured for which he or she has proof of purchase and which were not paid for or provided by any other source; and
- d) the non-refundable, unused portion of the prepaid expenses for the Covered Trip, as long as the expenses are supported by proof of purchase and are not reimbursable by any other source.

Benefits will not be paid for any expenses that have been reimbursed or for any services that have been provided by the Common Carrier.

The Maximum Benefit Amount is shown in the Scheduled of Benefits.



## SECTION II. DEFINITIONS

**“Additional Transportation Cost”** means the actual cost incurred for one-way Economy Transportation by Common Carrier reduced by the value of an unused travel ticket.

**“Bankruptcy”** means the filing of a petition for voluntary or involuntary bankruptcy in a court of competent jurisdiction under Chapter 7 or Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code 11 L.S.C. Subsection 101 et seq.

**“Business Partner”** means an individual who (a) is involved in a legal general partnership with an Insured and or (b) is actively involved in the day to day management of an Insured’s business.

**“Common Carrier”** means any land, sea, and/or air conveyance operating under a valid license for the transportation of passengers for hire.

**“Covered Trip”** means scheduled trips, tours or cruises for which (a) coverage is requested: and (b) the required premium is submitted prior to the Scheduled Departure Date.

**“Default”** means the inability to provide contracted services due to a material financial failure.

**“Domestic Partner”** means a person who is at least eighteen years of age and can show: 1) evidence of financial interdependence, such as joint bank accounts or credit cards, jointly owned property, and mutual life insurance or pension beneficiary designations; 2) evidence of continuous cohabitation throughout the 180 day period prior to the Insured’s Effective Date of the Plan; and 3) an affidavit of domestic partnership if recognized by the jurisdiction within which they reside.

**“Economy Transportation”** means the lowest published available transportation rate for a ticket on a Common Carrier matching the original class of transportation that the Insured purchased for the Covered Trip, reduced by the value of an unused return travel ticket.

**“Family Member”** means any of the following: an Insured’s or an Insured’s Traveling Companion’s: legal spouse (or common-law spouse where legal), legal guardian, son or daughter (adopted, foster, step or in-law), brother or sister (includes step or in-law), parent (includes step or in-law), grandparent (includes in-law), grandchild, aunt, uncle, niece or nephew, Domestic Partner, an employed caregiver who lives with the Insured, or a person for whom the Insured is the primary caregiver with whom the Insured have lived for 12 continuous months prior to the effective date of the Insured’s Plan, whether or not they travel with the Insured **“Hospital”** means a short-term, acute, general hospital, that:

- (a) is primarily engaged in providing, by or under the continuous supervision of physicians, to inpatients, diagnostic services and therapeutic services for diagnosis, treatment and care of injured or sick persons;
  - (b) has organized departments of medicine and major surgery;
  - (c) has a requirement that every patient must be under the care of a physician or dentist;
  - (d) provides 24-hour nursing service by or under the supervision of a registered professional nurse (R.N.);
  - (e) if located in New York State, has in effect a hospitalization review plan applicable to all patients which meets at least the standards set forth in section 1861(k) of United States Public Law 89-97, (42 USCA 1395xk);
  - (f) is duly licensed by the agency responsible for licensing such hospitals; and
- Is not, other than incidentally, a place of rest, a place primarily for the treatment of tuberculosis, a place for the aged, a place for drug addicts, alcoholics, or a place for convalescent, custodial, educational, or rehabilitative care.

**“Inclement Weather”** means any weather condition that delays the scheduled arrival or departure of a Common Carrier. **“Injury”** or **“Injuries”** means accidental bodily injuries: (a) received while insured under the Policy and any attached coverages: (b) resulting in loss independently of sickness and all other causes: and (c) not excluded from coverage. **“Insured”** means the individual named on the enrollment form who has purchased a Covered Trip and who has paid the required premium.

**“Intoxicated”** mean a blood alcohol level that equals or exceeds the legal limit for operating a motor vehicle in the state or jurisdiction where an Insured is located at the time of an incident.

**“Legally Qualified Physician”** means a physician or a Christian Science Practitioner (a) other than an Insured, a Traveling Companion or a Family Member: (b) practicing within the scope of his or her license: and (c) recognized as a physician in the place where the services are rendered.

**“Maximum Benefit Amount”** means the maximum amount payable for coverage provided to an Insured as shown in the Scheduled of Benefits.

**“Medical Treatment”** means treatment advice or consultation by a Legally Qualified Physician.

**“Medically Necessary”** means a service or supply which: (a) is recommended by the attending Legally Qualified Physician: (b) is appropriate and consistent with the diagnosis in accord with accepted standards of community practice: (c) could not have been omitted without adversely affecting an Insured’s condition or quality of medical care: (d) is delivered at the most appropriate level of care and not primarily for the sake of convenience:

and (e) is not considered experimental unless coverage for experimental services or supplies is required by law.”

“**Mental or Nervous Conditions**” means any condition or disease, regardless of its cause, listed in the most recent edition of the International Classification of Diseases as a Mental Disorder, including but not limited to, neurosis, psychoneurosis, psychopathy, psychosis, bipolar Affective Disorder or Autism.

“**Pre-Existing Condition**” means the existence of symptoms in You, Your Traveling Companion, Your Family Member booked to travel with him or her You or Your Traveling Companion's Family Member that would ordinarily cause a prudent person to seek diagnosis, care or treatment within a 60 day period preceding the effective date of Your coverage, or a condition for which medical advice or treatment was recommended by a Physician or received from a Physician within a 180 day period preceding the effective date of Your coverage.

“**Published Penalties**” means any published cancellation penalties issued by Your travel agency or Travel Supplier that apply to all clients of the travel agency or Travel Supplier and can be documented at time of the Covered Trip sale. The Insured must be in the Travel Supplier's penalty period. The maximum amount reimbursable under the travel agency's Published Penalties is 10% of the Covered Trip cost (excluding taxes and other non-commissionable items) or 10% of the amount the Insured has paid, whichever is less. Maximum payable under any one claim is the Covered Trip cost, excluding taxes and other non-commissionable items.

“**Scheduled of Benefits**” means the coverage confirmation provided to an Insured following enrollment and payment of the applicable premium.

“**Scheduled Departure Date**” means the date on which an Insured is originally scheduled to leave on the Covered Trip. “**Scheduled Return Date**” means the date on which an Insured is originally scheduled to return to the point of origin or the original final destination.

“**Sickness**” means an illness or disease that is diagnosed or treated by a Legally Qualified Physician after the effective date of insurance and while the Insured is covered under the Policy.

“**Strike**” means any stoppage of work: (a) as a result of a combined effort of workers which was unannounced and unpublished at the time travel services were purchased: and (b) which interferes with the normal departure and arrival of a Common Carrier.

“**Terrorist Incident**” means an incident deemed a terrorist act by the United States Government that causes property damage and loss of life.

“**Third Party**” means a person or entity other than an Insured or the Company.

“**Transportation Expense**” means: (a) the cost of conveyance of an Insured and any medical personnel (if Medically Necessary): and (b) Medically Necessary services or supplies.

“**Travel Arrangements**” means: (a) transportation: (b) accommodations: and (c) other specified services arranged by the Travel Supplier for the covered trip.

“**Traveling Companion**” means a person or persons with whom the Insured has coordinated Travel Arrangements and intends to travel with during the Covered Trip. Note, a group or tour leader is not considered a Traveling Companion unless the Insured is sharing room accommodations with the group or tour leader.

“**Travel Supplier**” means any entity or organization that coordinates or supplies travel services for an Insured.

“**Usual and Customary Charges**” means those comparable charges for similar treatment, services and supplies in the geographic area where treatment is performed.

### SECTION III. INSURING PROVISIONS

#### Insured's Term of Coverage:

**For Trip Cancellation:** Coverage begins on the Effective Date and time specified in the Scheduled of Benefits. Coverage ends at the point and time of departure on an Insured's Scheduled Departure Date.

**For Trip Delay:** Coverage is in force while en route to and from the Covered Trip.

**For all other coverages:** Coverage begins at the point and time of departure on the Scheduled Departure Date. Coverage ends at the point and time of return on an Insured's Scheduled Return Date.

In the event the Scheduled Departure Date and/or the Schedule Return Date are delayed, or the point and time of departure and/or point and time of return are changed because of circumstances over which neither the Travel Supplier nor an Insured has control an Insured's term of coverage shall be automatically adjusted accordance with the Travel Supplier's notice to the Company of the delay or change.

## SECTION IV. GENERAL LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS

Benefits are not payable for Sickness, Injuries or losses of an Insured or an Insured's Traveling Companion:

1. resulting from an act of declared or undeclared war;
2. while participating in maneuvers or training exercises of an armed service;
3. received as a result or consequence of being Intoxicated, as specifically defined in the policy, or under the influence of any controlled substance unless administered on the advice of a Legally Qualified Physician;
4. to which a contributory cause was the commission of or attempt to commit a felony or being engaged in an illegal occupation;
5. due to normal childbirth, normal pregnancy (except complications of pregnancy of pregnancy or voluntarily induced abortion);
6. for dental treatment (except as coverage is otherwise specifically provided herein);
7. which exceed the Maximum Benefit Amount for each attached coverage as shown in the Scheduled of Benefits;
8. due to a Pre-existing Condition, as defined in the Policy. The Pre-existing Condition Limitation does not apply to: (a) Emergency Medical Evacuation, Medical Repatriation and Return of Remains coverage; or (b) to coverage purchased within 24 hours from the time the initial Covered Trip deposit is paid the purchase of the Insured's Covered Trip if the full cost of the Covered Trip is protected and if the Insured is medically able to travel when payment is made for the insurance and has not filed a claim for Trip Cancellation due to a pre-existing condition within 180 days of their Effective Date; or
9. due to a mental or nervous condition, unless hospitalized.

The following limitation applies to Trip Cancellation: All cancellations must be reported directly to the Travel Supplier within 72 hours of the event causing the need to cancel, unless the event prevents it, and then as soon as is reasonably possible. If the cancellation is not reported within the specified 72-hour period, the Company will not pay for additional charges which would not have been incurred had an Insured notified the Travel Supplier in the specified period. If the event prevents an Insured from reporting the cancellation, the 72-hour notice requirement does not apply; however, an Insured must, if requested, provide proof that said event prevented him or her from reporting the cancellation within the specified period.

### Additional Limitations and Exclusions Specific to Baggage and Personal Effects

Benefits are not payable for any loss caused by or resulting from:

- a) breakage of brittle or fragile articles;
- b) wear and tear or gradual deterioration;
- c) confiscation or appropriation by order of any government or custom's rule;
- d) theft or pilferage while left in any unlocked vehicle;
- e) property illegally acquired, kept, stored or transported;
- f) an Insured's negligent acts or omissions; or
- g) property shipped as freight or shipped prior to the Scheduled Departure Date.

## SECTION V. GENERAL PROVISIONS

**Notice of Claim:** Notice of claim must be reported within 20 days after a loss occurs or as soon as is reasonably possible. An Insured or someone on an Insured's behalf may give the notice. The notice should be given to the Company or designated representative and should include sufficient information to identify the Insured.

**Claim Forms:** When notice of claim is received by the Company or designated representative, forms for filing proof of loss will be furnished. If these forms are not sent within 15 days, the proof of loss requirements can be met by sending a written statement of what happened. This statement must be received within the time given for filing proof of loss.

**Proof of Loss:** Proof of loss must be provided within 90 days after the date of the loss or as soon as is reasonably possible, except in the absence of legal capacity.

**Time of Payment of Claims:** The Company or its designated representative, will pay the claim after receipt of acceptable proof of loss.

**Payment of Claims:** Benefits for loss of life are payable to the Principal Insured, who is the beneficiary for all other Insureds. If: (a) the Principal Insured predeceases an Insured; and (b) a beneficiary is not otherwise designated by the Principal Insured benefits for loss of life will be paid to the first of the following surviving preference beneficiaries:

- a) the Principal Insured's spouse;
- b) the Principal Insured's child or children jointly;
- c) an Insured's parents jointly if both are living or the surviving parent if only one survives;
- d) an Insured's brothers and sisters jointly; or
- e) the Principal Insured's estate.

All or a portion of all other benefits provided by the Policy may, at the option of the Company, be paid directly to the provider of the service(s). All benefits not paid to the provider will be paid to the Principal Insured.

Other than for loss of life, if any benefit is payable to: (a) an Insured or the Principal Insured's beneficiary who is minor or otherwise not able to give a valid release: or (b) the Principal Insured's estate: the Company may pay up to \$1,000.00 to the Principal Insured's beneficiary or any relative to whom the Company finds entitled to the payment. Any payment made in good faith shall fully discharge the Company to the extent of such payment.

**Physician Examination and Autopsy:** The Company, at the expense of the Company, may have an Insured examined when and as often as is reasonable while the claim is pending. The Company may have an autopsy done (at the expense of the Company) where it is not forbidden by law.

**Legal Actions:** No legal action for a claim can be brought against us until 60 days after we receive proof of loss. No legal action for a claim can be brought against us more than 3 years after the time required for giving proof of loss. This 3-year time period is extended from the date proof of loss is filed and the date the claim is denied in whole or in part.

**Concealment and Misrepresentation:** The entire coverage will be void, if before, during or after a loss, any material fact or circumstance relating to this insurance has been concealed or misrepresented.

**Other Insurance with the Company:** An Insured may be covered under only one travel policy with the Company for each Covered Trip. If an Insured is covered under more than one such policy, he or she may select the coverage that is to remain in effect. In the event of death, the selection will be made by the beneficiary or estate. Premiums paid (less claims paid) will be refunded for the duplicate coverage that does not remain in effect. (This provision does not apply to the Accident Medical Expense or the Sickness Medical Expense Benefits if provided under this Certificate.)

**Subrogation:** If the Company has made a payment for a loss under this coverage, and the person to or for whom payment was made has a right to recover damages from the Third Party responsible for the loss, the Company will be subrogated to that right. An Insured shall help the Company exercise the Company's rights in any reasonable way that the Company may request: nor do anything after the loss to prejudice the Company's rights: and in the event an Insured recovers damages from the Third Party responsible for the loss, the Insured will hold the proceeds of the recover for the Company in trust and reimburse the Company to the extent of the Company's previous payment for the loss.

#### **Additional Claims Provisions Specific to Baggage**

Insured's Duties After Loss of or Damage to Property or Delay of Baggage: In case of loss, theft, damage or delay of baggage or personal effects, and Insured must:

- a) take all reasonable steps to protect, save or recover the property:
- b) promptly notify, in writing, either the police, hotel proprietors, ship lines, airlines, railroad, bus, airport or other station authorities, tour operators or group leaders, or any Common Carrier or bailee who has custody of an Insured's property at the time of loss:
- c) produce records needed to verify the claim and its amount, and permit copies to be made:
- d) provide to the Company, within 90 days from the date of loss, a detailed proof of loss signed and sworn to: and
- e) be examined, if requested.

**Reductions in the Amount of Insurance:** The applicable benefit amount will be reduced by the amount of benefits, if any, previously paid for any loss or damage under this coverage for this Covered Trip.

## **SECTION VI. COORDINATION OF BENEFITS**

### **Applicability**

The Coordination of Benefits ("COB") provision applies to This Plan when an Insured has health care coverage under more than one Plan. "Plan" and "This Plan" are defined below.

If this COB provision applies, the order of benefit determination rules should be looked at first. Those rules determine whether the benefits of This Plan are determined before or after those of another Plan. The benefits of This Plan:

- (a) will not be reduced when, under the order of benefit determination rules, This Plan determines its benefits before another Plan; but
- (b) may be reduced when, under the order of benefit determination rules, another Plan determines its benefits first. This reduction is described further in the section entitled Effect on the Benefits of This Plan.

### **Definitions**

**"Plan"** is a form of coverage written on an expense incurred basis that provides benefits or services for, or because of, medical or dental care or treatment. "Plan" includes:

- (a) group insurance and group remittance subscriber contracts;
- (b) uninsured arrangements of group coverage;

- (c) group coverage through HMO's and other prepayment, group practice and individual practice Plans; and
- (d) blanket contracts, except blanket school accident coverages or a similar group when the Policy:

"Plan" does not include individual or family: (a) insurance contracts; (b) direct payment subscriber contracts; (c) coverage through HMO's; or (d) coverage under other prepayment, group practice and individual practice Plans.

"**This Plan**" is the parts of this blanket contract that provide benefits for health care expenses on an expense incurred basis.

"**Primary Plan**" is one whose benefits for a person's health care coverage must be determined without taking the existence of any other Plan into consideration. A Plan is a Primary Plan if either:

- (a) the Plan either has no order of benefit determination rules, or it has rules which differ from those in the contract; or
- (b) all Plans that cover the person use the same order of benefits determination rules as in this contract, and under those rules the Plan determines its benefits first.

"**Secondary Plan**" is one that is not a Primary Plan. If a person is covered by more than one Secondary Plan, the order of benefit determination rules of this contract decide the order in which their benefits are determined in relation to each other. The benefits of each Secondary Plan may take into consideration the benefits of the Primary Plan or Plans and the benefits of any other Plan, which, under the rules of this contract, has its benefits, determined before those of that Secondary Plan.

"**Allowable Expense**" is the necessary, reasonable, and customary item of expense for health care; when the item of expense is covered at least in part under any of the Plans involved.

The difference between the cost of a private hospital room and a semi-private hospital room is not considered an Allowable Expense under the above definition unless the patient's stay in a private hospital room is medically necessary in terms of generally accepted medical practice.

When a Plan provides benefits in the form of services, the reasonable cash value of each service will be considered both an Allowable Expense and a benefit paid.

"**Claim**" is a request that benefits of a Plan be provided or paid. The benefits claimed may be in the form of: (a) services (including supplies); (b) payment for all or a portion of the expenses incurred; or (c) a combination of (a) and (b).

"**Claim Determination Period**" is the period of time, which must not be less than 12 consecutive months, over which Allowable Expenses are compared with total benefits payable in the absence of COB, to determine: (a) whether overinsurance exists; and (b) how much each Plan will pay or provide.

For the purposes of this contract, Claim Determination Period is the period of time beginning with the effective date of coverage and ending 12 consecutive months following the date of loss or longer as may be determined by the proof of loss provision.

### **Order of Benefit Determination Rules**

When This Plan is a Primary Plan, its benefits are determined before those of any other Plan and without considering another Plan's benefits.

When This Plan is a Secondary Plan, its benefits are determined after those of any other Plan only when, under these rules, it is secondary to that other Plan.

When there is a basis for a Claim under This Plan and another Plan, This Plan is a Secondary Plan that has its benefits determined after those of the other Plan, unless:

- (a) the other Plan has rules coordinating its benefits with those of This Plan; and
- (b) both those rules and This Plan's rules, as described below, require that This Plan's benefits be determined before those of the other Plan.

**Rules.** This Plan determines its order of benefits using the first of the following rules which applies:

- (a) **Nondependent/Dependent Rule.** The benefits of the Plan which covers the person as an employee, member or subscriber (that is, other than as a dependent) are determined before those of the Plan that covers the person as a dependent.
- (b) **Longer/Shorter Length of Coverage Rule.** The benefits of the Plan that covered an employee, member or subscriber longer are determined before those of the Plan that covered that person for the shorter time.

To determine the length of time a person has been covered under a Plan, two Plans shall be treated as one if the claimant was eligible under the second within 24 hours after the first ended. Thus, the start of a new Plan does not include: (a) a change in the amount or scope of a Plan's benefits; (b) a change in the entity which pays, provides or administers the Plan's benefits; or (c) a change from one type of Plan to another. The

claimant's length of time covered under a Plan is measured from the claimant's first date of coverage under that Plan. If that date is not readily available, the date the claimant first became a member of the group shall be used as the date from which to determine the length of time the claimant's coverage under the present Plan has been in force.

### **Effect on the Benefits of This Plan When it is Secondary**

The benefits of This Plan will be reduced when it is a Secondary Plan so that the total benefits paid or provided by all Plans during a Claim Determination Period are not more than the total Allowable Expenses, not otherwise paid, which were incurred during the Claim Determination Period by the person for whom the Claim is made. As each Claim is submitted, This Plan determines its obligation to pay for Allowable Expenses based on all Claims that were submitted up to that point in time during the Claim Determination Period.

### **Right to Receive and Release Needed Information**

Certain facts are needed to apply these COB rules. We have the right to decide which facts are needed. We may get needed facts from or give them to any other organization or person. We need not tell, or get the consent of, any person to do this. Each person claiming benefits under This Plan must give us any facts we need to pay the Claim.

### **Facility of Payment**

A payment made under another Plan may include an amount that should have been paid under This Plan. If it does, we may pay that amount to the organization that made that payment. That amount will then be treated as though it were a benefit paid under This Plan. We will not have to pay that amount again. The term "payment made" includes providing benefits in the form of services, in which case "payment made" means reasonable monetary value of the benefits provided in the form of services.

### **Right of Recovery**

If the amount of the payments made by us is more than we should have paid under this COB provision, we may recover the excess from one or more of: (a) the persons we have paid or for whom we have paid; (b) insurance companies; or (c) other organizations.

### **Non-complying Plans**

This Plan may coordinate its benefits with a Plan that is excess or always secondary or which uses order of benefit determination rules which are inconsistent with those of This Plan (non-complying Plan) on the following basis:

- a) If This Plan is the Primary Plan, This Plan will pay its benefits on a primary basis;
- b) if This Plan is the Secondary Plan, This Plan will pay its benefits first, but the amount of the benefits payable will be determined as if This Plan were the Secondary Plan. In this situation, our payment will be the limit of This Plan's liability; and
- c) if the non-complying Plan does not provide the information needed by This Plan to determine its benefits within 30 days after it is requested to do so, we will assume that the benefits of the non-complying Plan are identical to This Plan and will pay benefits accordingly. However, we will adjust any payments made based on this assumption whenever information becomes available as to the actual benefits of the non-complying Plan.