

**TRAVEL PROTECTION INSURANCE CERTIFICATE**

**EF – Explore America**

This certificate describes the travel insurance benefits underwritten by United State Fire Insurance Company, herein referred to as the “Company” or as “We”, “Us” and “Our”. Please refer to the Schedule of Benefits, which provides the Insured, also referred to as “You” or “Your”, with specific information about the program You purchased. Defined terms are capitalized and their meanings are listed in the General Definitions section.

**PLEASE READ THIS DOCUMENT CAREFULLY FOR FULL DETAILS**

This document is a legal contract issued in consideration of Your enrollment and payment of the premium due collected by Us or Our authorized representative. If there are any conflicts between the contents of this document and the policy (form series T7000GBP), the policy will govern in all cases.

**10 Day Free Look Period**

If You are not satisfied for any reason, You may cancel this insurance within 10 days after receipt by providing Us or Our authorized representative the cancellation notice. We will refund Your premium provided there has been no incurred loss; You have not departed on Your Trip or filed a claim under this certificate. When so returned, all coverages under this certificate are invalid from the beginning.

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



Marc J. Adee  
Chairman and CEO



James Kraus  
Secretary

## TABLE OF CONTENTS

	<b>SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS</b>
<b>SECTION I</b>	<b>COVERAGE PROVISIONS</b>
<b>SECTION II</b>	<b>WHEN COVERAGE BEGINS AND ENDS</b>
<b>SECTION III</b>	<b>EXTENSION OF COVERAGE</b>
<b>SECTION IV</b>	<b>TRAVEL ARRANGEMENT PROTECTION</b>
<b>SECTION V</b>	<b>PROTECTION FOR YOUR BELONGINGS</b>
<b>SECTION VI</b>	<b>GENERAL DEFINITIONS</b>
<b>SECTION VII</b>	<b>EXCLUSIONS AND LIMITATIONS</b>
<b>SECTION VIII</b>	<b>PREMIUMS</b>
<b>SECTION IX</b>	<b>CLAIMS PROCEDURES</b>
<b>SECTION X</b>	<b>HOW TO FILE A CLAIM</b>
<b>SECTION XI</b>	<b>GENERAL PROVISIONS</b>

**United States Fire Insurance Company**  
 Administrative Office: 5 Christopher Way, Eatontown, NJ 07724

**SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS**

No benefits will duplicate any other benefit or coverage provided under this certificate. Should there be a duplication of coverage or benefits, then We will pay the benefit providing the largest amount of coverage.

For residents of North Dakota: This policy is non-renewable.

<b>Travel Arrangement Protection Benefit(s)</b>	<b>Maximum Benefit Amount</b>
Trip Cancellation*	100% of Trip Cost up to a maximum of \$5,000
Trip Interruption*	100% of Trip Cost up to a maximum of \$5,000
*Up to the lesser of the Trip Cost paid or the limit of coverage on Your confirmation of coverage	
Trip Delay - 6 hours	\$500 per day, to a maximum of \$2,500
Single Supplement	Included
Political or Security Evacuation and Natural Disaster Evacuation	\$100,000
Additional Evacuation Benefit Baggage Return	Included
<b>Protection For Your Belongings</b>	<b>Maximum Benefit Amount</b>
Baggage and Personal Effects	\$2,000 subject to per item maximum of \$300
Sub-limits: Passport, Visa or Other Travel Documents Replacement	\$100
Credit Card charges and interest	\$100
Items subject to Special Limitations	\$1,000 maximum combined
Baggage Delay 24 hours	up to \$50 per day, to a maximum of \$150

## SECTION I COVERAGE PROVISIONS

### Who Is Eligible For Coverage

A person who is booked to travel on a Trip and pays the required premium is covered under this certificate. Eligibility for purchase of this certificate will be determined at the time of claim. If it is determined that You or Trip is not eligible for coverage, any claim for benefits will be denied and Your premium for this certificate will be refunded. Coverage is only available for persons who are a citizen or resident of the United States of America.

## SECTION II WHEN COVERAGE BEGINS AND ENDS

### When Coverage Begins:

**This is Your Effective Date and time for Trip Cancellation:** Coverage begins at 12:01 a.m. at Your location on the day after the date We or Our authorized representative receive the required premium to cover Your Trip.

**This is Your Effective Date and time for Trip Interruption:** Coverage begins when You depart to Your first scheduled Travel Arrangement (or if You must use an alternate Travel Arrangement after Your Scheduled Departure Date to reach Your Scheduled Destination, on the Scheduled Departure Date) for Your Trip.

**This is Your Effective Date and time for Trip Delay:** Coverage begins when You depart on Your first scheduled Travel Arrangement (or if You must use an alternate travel arrangement after Your Scheduled Departure Date to reach Your Scheduled Destination, on the Scheduled Departure Date) for Your Trip. Coverage is in force while en route to and from the Covered Trip.

**This is Your Effective Date and time for All Other Coverages:** Coverage begins on the date and time You depart on the first Travel Arrangement (or alternate travel arrangement if You must use an alternate Travel Arrangement to reach Your Scheduled Destination) for Your Trip.

### When Coverage Ends:

**Trip Cancellation** coverage(s) automatically end on the earlier of:

1. the date and time You depart on Your Trip;
2. the date and time You cancel Your Trip.

**All Other Coverages:** Your coverage automatically ends on the earlier/est of:

1. the date You complete Your Trip;
2. the Scheduled Return Date;
3. Your arrival at Your Return Destination on a round Trip, or Your Scheduled Destination on a one-way Trip;
4. cancellation of Your Trip covered by this certificate;
5. the date You interrupt Your Trip due to a covered Unforeseen reason (does not apply if You are able to resume Your Trip without going back to Your Return Destination).

## SECTION III EXTENSION OF COVERAGE

### Automatic Extension of Coverage

All coverages will be extended if Your entire Trip is covered by this certificate and Your return is delayed due to unavoidable circumstances beyond Your control. This extension of coverage will end on the earlier of the date You reach Your originally scheduled Return Destination or 10 days after the originally Scheduled Return Date.

## SECTION IV TRAVEL ARRANGEMENT PROTECTION

### TRIP CANCELLATION

If You cancel Your Trip prior to the Scheduled Departure Date, We will reimburse You, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount shown in the Schedule of Benefits, for unused, forfeited, prepaid non-refundable Payments or Deposits for the Travel Arrangements You purchased for Your Trip, provided the cancellation occurs while coverage is in effect for You and is due to any of the following covered Unforeseen reasons, as defined:

1. Your or a Family Member's death that occurs before departure on Your Trip;.
2. Your or a Family Member's Sickness or Injury, that:
  - a. occurs before departure on Your Trip;
  - b. is examined and treated by a Physician prior to cancellation unless it is not reasonably possible to do so; and
  - c. as certified by a Physician, results in medical restrictions so disabling as to cause You to cancel Your Trip;
3. Sickness, Injury, or death of Your Child Caregiver, which results in medically imposed restrictions as certified by a Physician at the time of loss preventing You from participating in the Trip. A Physician must advise the Child Caregiver is unable to provide basic childcare services while You are on Your Trip on or before the Scheduled Departure Date; or
4. You must cancel Your Trip due to Other Covered Events as defined, provided such circumstances occur while coverage is in effect:

**Other Covered Events** means:

1. You are suffering a Mental, Nervous or Psychological condition or disorders which require Hospitalization or Partial Hospitalization. Hospitalization or Partial Hospitalization must be for at least 2 or more days before Your Scheduled Trip. A Physician must certify the condition as preventing You from going on the Trip;
2. You are directly involved in a traffic accident, while en route to Your Scheduled Trip Departure City. The traffic accident must be documented by a police report;
3. Your Primary Residence or Scheduled Destination Accommodations are made Uninhabitable and remain Uninhabitable during Your Trip or are inaccessible by the mode of transportation as shown on the travel documents or itinerary within 30 days of Your Scheduled Departure Date by a Natural Disaster, or vandalism or burglary.

Coverage for a hurricane applies only if You purchased insurance prior to the tropical storm first being upgraded to a hurricane. Claims are not payable if a hurricane is foreseeable prior Your Effective Date for Trip Cancellation. A hurricane is foreseeable on the date it becomes a named storm. We will only pay the benefits for losses occurring within 30 days after the named hurricane renders Your Scheduled Destination Uninhabitable or inaccessible. This coverage applies only if You purchased the certificate within the Time Sensitive Period;

4. You are hijacked or Quarantined;
5. You are subpoenaed, or served with a court order, or required to serve on a jury, or required to appear as a witness in a legal action, provided You are not: 1) a party to the legal action; or except 2) appearing in a law enforcement capacity;
6. You are called to active military duty either to serve or to provide aid or relief in the event of a Natural Disaster, an Epidemic, a Civil Disorder, or Terrorist Incident other than war;
7. a documented theft of Your passports or travel documents or visas specifically required for Your Trip. A police report must substantiate the theft or the copy of the request for a new passport, or travel documents, or visas;
8. You are involuntarily terminated or laid off from Your or their employment. The termination notice must occur at least 30 days after Your Trip Cancellation Effective Date. You must have been an active employee with the same employer for at least 1 continuous year.

You must report all cancellations 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, You should report the event as soon as possible. We do not cover increased amounts of Published Penalties and unused, non-refundable prepaid Payments or Deposits that result from all other delays or reporting beyond 72 hours.

These benefit(s) will not duplicate any other benefits payable under the certificate or any coverage(s) attached to the certificate.

### **TRIP INTERRUPTION**

If You must start Your Trip late or are unable to complete Your Trip, We will reimburse You, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount shown in the Schedule of Benefits, for the unused, forfeited, prepaid non-refundable Payments or Deposits paid for the land or water Travel Arrangements You purchased for Your Trip plus the Additional Transportation Cost paid to:

- a) join Your Trip if You must depart after Your Scheduled Departure Date or travel via alternate travel arrangements; or
- b) rejoin Your Trip from the point where You interrupted Your Trip to the next Scheduled Destination; or
- c) transport You to Your originally scheduled Return Destination of Your Trip.

The benefit payable for the above will not exceed the cost of a one-way economy airfare (or first or business class, if the original tickets were first or business class) by the most direct route less any refunds paid or payable for Your unused original tickets.

Trip Interruption must occur while coverage is in effect for You due to any of the following covered Unforeseen reasons, as defined:

1. Your or a Family Member's death, which occurs while You are on Your Trip;
2. Your or a Family Member's Sickness or Injury, that:
  - a) occurs while You are on Your Trip;
  - b) is examined and treated by a Physician prior to the time of interruption unless it is not reasonably possible to do so; and
  - c) as certified by a Physician, results in medical restrictions so disabling as to prevent Your continued participation on Your Trip;
3. Sickness, Injury, or death of Your Child Caregiver, which results in medically imposed restrictions as certified by a Physician at the time of loss preventing You continuing on Your Trip. A Physician must advise the Child Caregiver is unable to provide basic childcare services while You are on Your Trip; or
4. You must interrupt Your Trip due to Other Covered Events as defined, provided such circumstances occur while coverage is in effect:

**Other Covered Events** means:

If You cannot continue on Your Trip due to a covered Injury or Sickness not requiring Hospitalization and You must extend Your Trip due to medically imposed restrictions, as certified by a treating Physician, benefits will be paid for additional hotel nights, meal(s), telephone call(s) and local transportation expenses until You are Medically Fit to Travel up to \$100 per day, limited to 5 days.

These benefit(s) will not duplicate any other benefits payable under the certificate or any coverage(s) attached to the certificate.

## **TRIP DELAY**

We will reimburse You, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount shown in the Schedule of Benefits, for the unused, forfeited, prepaid non-refundable Payments or Deposits for the Travel Arrangements and Reasonable Additional Expenses, if Your Trip is delayed at least 6 consecutive hours from the original departure time to:

- a. join Your Trip if You must depart after Your Scheduled Departure Date or travel via alternate travel arrangements;  
or
- b. rejoin Your Trip from the point where You interrupted Your Trip to the next Scheduled Destination.

The Trip Delay must occur while coverage is in effect for You due to any of the following covered Unforeseen reason(s).

1. You are not directly involved in but are delayed due to a traffic accident, while en route to Your Scheduled Trip Departure City or Scheduled Destination. The traffic accident must be documented by a police report;
2. Common Carrier delay (the delay must be documented by a Common Carrier);
3. You are hijacked or Quarantined;
4. An unannounced Strike results in a complete cessation of services for at least 6 consecutive hours of a Common Carrier on which You are scheduled to travel which prevents You from reaching the Scheduled Destination;
5. Inclement Weather that causes a: delay or closure of public roadways by local government authorities, on Your Trip route, which prevents You from reaching Your Scheduled Destination;
6. Due to a Natural Disaster, a mandatory evacuation order by local government authorities at Your Scheduled Trip Departure City or Scheduled Destination is issued which prevents You from traveling to/arriving at Your Scheduled Trip Departure City or Scheduled Destination;
7. Security Breach, Civil Disorder or Riot while at an airport or other port for at least 6 consecutive hours preventing You from reaching Your Scheduled Destination or departing on Your Trip.

Receipts must accompany Reasonable Additional Expenses incurred.

These benefit(s) will not duplicate any other benefits payable under the certificate or any coverage(s) attached to the certificate.

## **SINGLE SUPPLEMENT**

We will reimburse You, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount shown in the Schedule of Benefits, for the additional cost incurred as a result of a change in the per person occupancy rate for prepaid non-refundable Travel Arrangements if a person booked to share accommodations with You cancels or interrupts his/her Trip due to any of the covered Unforeseen reasons or Other Covered Events shown in Your Trip Cancellation and / or Trip Interruption section(s) and You do not cancel or interrupt Your Trip. Proof of cancellation or interruption by a person booked to share accommodations with You is required.

These benefit(s) will not duplicate any other benefits payable under the certificate or any coverage(s) attached to the certificate.

## **POLITICAL OR SECURITY EVACUATION**

We will pay, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount shown in the Schedule of Benefits, for all reasonable Political or Security Evacuation expenses and Related Costs incurred for Your transportation, if You must interrupt Your Trip for a covered Political or Security Event and while traveling outside Your Home Country.

The Political or Security Evacuation must occur within 14 days of the Political or Security Event, and the arrangements will be by the most appropriate and by most efficient, practical and economical means available and consistent with Your health and safety.

Following the Political or Security Evacuation and when safety allows, We will pay for one-way economy transportation and Related Costs to return You to one of the following locations as chosen by You:

- a. back to Your point of origin for Your Trip; or
- b. to the Nearest Place of Safety necessary to ensure Your safety and well-being as determined by Us or Our designated Travel Assistance Services Provider.

#### **POLITICAL OR SECURITY EVACUATION COVERAGE DEFINITIONS**

**Political or Security Evacuation** means Your extraction from or within the Host Country due to an Occurrence that results in You being placed in imminent physical danger.

**Political or Security Event** means:

1. civil, military or political unrest for which a formal written recommendation from the appropriate local government authorities, or the U.S. State Department, for You to leave a country is issued;
2. You being expelled or declared a persona non-grata by a country You are visiting on Your Trip.

Children under the age two (2) for whom no Travel Arrangements are obtained but are named on Your travel itinerary will be covered for Political or Security Evacuation.

#### **POLITICAL OR SECURITY EVACUATION COVERAGE CONDITIONS AND LIMITATIONS**

1. The benefits and services described herein are provided to You only if authorized, arranged and coordinated by Us or Our designated Travel Assistance Services Provider;
2. We will not pay for any loss or expense recoverable under any other valid and collectible insurance or through an employer;
3. We or Our designated Travel Assistance Services Provider has sole discretion regarding the means, methods and timing of a Political or Security Evacuation. However, the decision to travel is Your sole responsibility;
4. We are not responsible for the availability, timing, quality, results of, or failure to provide any service caused by conditions beyond Our control. This includes Our inability to provide You an evacuation or any additional services when United States of America law, local laws or regulatory agencies prohibit the rendering of such evacuation or service. We will not cover a Political or Security Evacuation from OFAC designated countries;
5. We will not pay any costs or expenses arising from:
  - a. Political or Security Evacuation from Your Home Country;
  - b. Political or Security Evacuation when the Political or Security Event precedes Your arrival in the Host Country;
  - c. Political or Security Evacuation when the evacuation notice has been issued or posted by the recognized government of Your Home Country or the Host Country for a period of more than seven (7) days and You have failed to notify Us or Our designated Travel Assistance Services Provider regarding Your need to be evacuated;
  - d. the actual or threatened use or release of any nuclear, chemical or biological weapon or device, or exposure to nuclear reaction or radiation, regardless of contributory cause;
  - e. We will not pay for any loss or expense arising from or attributable to: a) fraudulent or criminal acts committed or attempted by You; b) alleged violation of the laws of the country You are visiting, unless We determine such allegations to be fraudulent; or c) failure to maintain required documents or visas;
  - f. We will not pay for any loss or expense arising from or attributable to: a) debt, insolvency, business or commercial failure; b) the repossession of any property; or c) Your non-compliance with a contract, license or permit;
  - g. We will not pay for any loss or expense arising from or due to liability assumed by You under any contract;
  - h. Your arrival into a country for which a formal recommendation in the form of a travel alert or travel warning from the U.S State Department advising caution at a level 3 or higher in traveling to specified destinations due to reasons such as armed violence, civil or political unrest, high incidence of crime

(specially kidnapping and/or murder), natural disaster or outbreak of one or more contagious diseases has been issued preceding Your arrival into that country on Your Trip.

**Right of Recovery:** If, after a Political or Security Evacuation is completed, it becomes clear that You were an active participant in the events that led to a Political or Security Event, We have the right to recover all transportation and Related Costs from You.

These benefit(s) will not duplicate any other benefits payable under the certificate or any coverage(s) attached to the certificate.

### **NATURAL DISASTER EVACUATION**

We will pay, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount shown in the Schedule of Benefits, for all reasonable Natural Disaster Evacuation expenses and Related Costs incurred for Your transportation, if You must interrupt Your Trip for a covered Natural Disaster Event and while traveling outside Your Home Country.

The Natural Disaster Evacuation must occur within 14 days of the Natural Disaster Event, and the arrangements will be by the most appropriate and by most efficient, practical and economical means available and consistent with Your health and safety.

Following the Natural Disaster Evacuation and when safety allows, We will pay for one-way economy transportation and Related Costs to return You to one of the following locations as chosen by You:

- a. back to Your point of origin for Your Trip; or
- b. to the Nearest Place of Safety necessary to ensure Yours safety and well-being as determined by Us or Our designated Travel Assistance Services Provider.

### **NATURAL DISASTER EVACUATION COVERAGE DEFINITIONS**

**Natural Disaster Evacuation** means Your extraction from or within the Host Country due to a Natural Disaster Evacuation that results in You being placed in imminent physical danger.

**Natural Disaster Event** results in such severe and widespread damage that the area of damage is officially declared a disaster area by the appropriate local government authorities of the Host Country, and the area is deemed to be Uninhabitable or dangerous.

Children under the age two (2) for whom no Travel Arrangements are obtained but are named on Your travel itinerary will be covered for Natural Disaster Evacuation.

### **NATURAL DISASTER EVACUATION COVERAGE CONDITIONS AND LIMITATIONS**

1. The benefits and services described herein are provided to You only if authorized, arranged and coordinated by Us or Our designated Travel Assistance Services Provider;
2. We will not pay for any loss or expense recoverable under any other valid and collectible insurance or through an employer;
3. We or Our designated Travel Assistance Services Provider has sole discretion regarding the means, methods and timing of a Natural Disaster Evacuation. However, the decision to travel is Your sole responsibility;
4. We are not responsible for the availability, timing, quality, results of, or failure to provide any service caused by conditions beyond Our control. This includes Our inability to provide You an evacuation or any additional services when United States of America law, local laws or regulatory agencies prohibit the rendering of such evacuation or service. We will not cover a Natural Disaster Evacuation from OFAC designated countries;
5. We will not pay any costs or expenses arising from:
  - a. Natural Disaster Evacuation from Your Home Country;
  - b. Natural Disaster Evacuation when the Natural Disaster Event precedes Your arrival in the Host Country;
  - c. Natural Disaster Evacuation when the evacuation notice has been issued or posted by the recognized

government of Your Home Country or the Host Country for a period of more than seven (7) days and You have failed to notify Us or Our designated Travel Assistance Services Provider regarding Your need to be evacuated;

- d. the actual or threatened use or release of any nuclear, chemical or biological weapon or device, or exposure to nuclear reaction or radiation, regardless of contributory cause;
- e. We will not pay for any loss or expense arising from or attributable to: a) fraudulent or criminal acts committed or attempted by You; b) alleged violation of the laws of the country You are visiting, unless We determine such allegations to be fraudulent; or c) failure to maintain required documents or visas;
- f. We will not pay for any loss or expense arising from or attributable to: a) debt, insolvency, business or commercial failure; b) the repossession of any property; or c) Your non-compliance with a contract, license or permit;
- g. We will not pay for any loss or expense arising from or due to liability assumed by You under any contract;
- h. Your arrival into a country for which a formal recommendation in the form of a travel alert or travel warning from the U.S State Department advising caution at a level 3 or higher in traveling to specified destinations due to reasons such as armed violence, civil or political unrest, high incidence of crime (specially kidnapping and/or murder), natural disaster or outbreak of one or more contagious diseases has been issued preceding Your arrival into that country on Your Trip.

**Right of Recovery:** If, after a Natural Disaster Evacuation is completed, it becomes clear that You were an active participant in the events that led to a Natural Disaster Evacuation, We have the right to recover all transportation and Related Costs from You.

These benefit(s) will not duplicate any other benefits payable under the certificate or any coverage(s) attached to the certificate.

#### **ADDITIONAL EVACUATION BENEFIT**

**Baggage Return:** If You are evacuated, as covered under this certificate, and Your Baggage doesn't accompany You during evacuation, We will reimburse You or Your Travel Supplier, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount shown in the Schedule of Benefits, for any cost associated with transporting Your Baggage to:

- (a) the location You were evacuated to; or
- (b) Your Return Destination or Primary Residence.

This benefit is provided as a supplement to the Baggage Delay benefit and the total benefits paid may not exceed the Baggage Delay limits as per the Schedule of Benefits.

These benefit(s) will not duplicate any other benefits payable under the certificate or any coverage(s) attached to the certificate.

### **SECTION V PROTECTION FOR YOUR BELONGINGS**

#### **BAGGAGE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS**

We will reimburse You, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount shown in the Schedule of Benefits, if Your Baggage and Personal Effects, which are lost, stolen, damaged or destroyed during Your Trip less any amount paid or payable by a Common Carrier, hotel, Travel Supplier or any other party responsible for Your loss, provided You have taken all reasonable measures to protect, save and/or recover Your property at all times.

We will also reimburse You, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount shown in the Schedule of Benefits, for fees associated with the replacement of Your passport, visas and other travel documents which are lost, stolen, damaged or destroyed during Your Trip and for charges and interest incurred due to unauthorized use or replacement of Your lost or stolen credit cards if such use or loss occurs during Your Trip, subject to verification that You have complied with all conditions of the credit card company.

**Valuation and Payment of Loss:**

The lesser of the following amounts will be paid:

- a. the Actual Cash Value as determined by Us; or
- b. the cost to repair or replace the item with material of a like kind and quality

not to exceed the Maximum Benefit Amount shown in the Schedule of Benefits.

For claimed items without original receipts, payment of loss will be calculated based upon 75% of the Actual Cash Value at the time of loss, not to exceed the Maximum Benefit Amount shown in the Schedule of Benefits. We may take all or part of the damaged items at the appraised or agreed value by Us.

In the event of a loss to a pair or set of items, We may choose to:

- a. repair or replace any part to restore the pair or set to its value before the loss; or
- b. pay the difference between the Actual Cash Value of the items before and after the loss.

### **Items subject to Special Limitations**

The following items are subject to the maximum combined amount(s) shown in the Schedule of Benefits: jewelry, precious or semi-precious gems, decorative or personal articles consisting in whole or in part of silver, gold, or platinum, watches, furs or articles trimmed with fur, cameras and camera equipment, computers, laptop or table computers and other digital or electronic equipment or media.

These benefits will not duplicate any other benefits payable under the certificate or any coverage(s) attached to the certificate.

### **BAGGAGE DELAY**

We will reimburse You, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount shown in the Schedule of Benefits, for the cost of Necessary Personal Items purchased by You while on Your Trip, if Your checked Baggage is delayed or misdirected by a Common Carrier for at least 24 consecutive hours or more from Your time of arrival at a Scheduled Destination other than Your Return Destination.

This coverage terminates upon Your arrival at the Return Destination of Your Trip.

**Necessary Personal Items** means replacement for clothing, or toiletry, or eyewear, which are included in Your Baggage and Personal Effects and are required for Your Trip. Necessary Items do not include jewelry, perfume or alcohol.

These benefit(s) will not duplicate any other benefits payable under the certificate or any coverage(s) attached to the certificate.

### **EXCLUSIONS AND LIMITATIONS apply to Baggage and Personal Effects, and Baggage Delay:**

We will not provide benefits for any loss or damage for the following items:

- a. animals;
- b. automobiles and automobile equipment;
- c. boats or other vehicles or conveyances;
- d. motorcycles;
- e. trailers;
- f. motors;
- g. aircraft;
- h. bicycles, except when checked as baggage with a Common Carrier;
- i. household effects and furnishings;
- j. antiques and collectors' items;
- k. any type of or repair or replacement of any type of eyeglasses, sunglasses, or contact lenses, or artificial teeth, dentures, dental braces, dental bridges, retainers or other orthodontic devices or hearing aids and prosthetics;
- l. artificial limbs or other prosthetic devices;
- m. prescribed medications;

- n. keys, money, stamps and credit cards (except as otherwise specifically covered herein);
- o. securities, stamps, tickets and documents (except as coverage is otherwise specifically provided herein);
- p. professional or occupational equipment or property, whether or not electronic business equipment with the exception of personal diving equipment;
- q. sports equipment if the loss results from the use thereof.

**Losses not covered:**

We will not provide benefits for any loss or damage 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. Your negligent acts or omissions;
- g. property shipped as freight or shipped prior to the Scheduled Departure Date;
- h. electrical current, including electric arcing that damages or destroys electrical devices or appliances.

## SECTION VI GENERAL DEFINITIONS

**Accident** means a sudden, unexpected unusual specific event that occurs at an identifiable time and place, and shall also include exposure resulting from a mishap to a conveyance in which You are traveling.

**Actual Cash Value** means current replacement cost of such item of like kind and quality.

**Accommodation(s)** means any establishment used for the purposes of temporary, overnight lodging such as apartment, condominium, or other vacation or timeshare residential unit(s).

**Additional Transportation Cost** means the actual cost incurred for one-way economy transportation (or for the original class of fare, if the original tickets were for a higher class of fare) by Common Carrier by the most direct route, less any refunds paid or payable, for Your unused original tickets.

**Baggage and Personal Effects** means luggage and personal possessions taken by You on Your Trip, whether owned, borrowed, or rented and also includes the following items: travel documents, passport, visa(s).

**Caregiver** means an individual employed for the purpose of providing assistance with activities of daily living to You or to Your Family Member who has a physical or mental impairment. The caregiver must be employed by You or Your Family Member. A caregiver is not a babysitter; childcare service, facility or provider; or persons employed by any service, provider or facility to supply assisted living or skilled nursing personnel.

**Child Caregiver** means an individual providing basic childcare service needs for Your minor Children under the age of 18 while You are on Your Trip without the minor Children. Arrangements for having child caregiver services during Your Trip must be made 15 or more days prior to the Scheduled Departure Date.

**Children/Child** means a person under age of 18 and primarily dependent on You for support and maintenance.

The age limit does not apply to a child who is incapable of self-sustaining employment by reason of mental or physical incapacity.

**Civil Disorder or Riot** means a public disturbance by a person or persons acting in revolt, coup, rebellion or resistance against an established government or civil authority or involvement in acts of violence that causes immediate danger, damage, or injury to others or their property.

**Common Carrier** means an air, land, sea conveyance operated under a license for the transportation of passengers for hire not including taxicabs or rented, leased or privately owned motor vehicles.

**Domestic Partner** means an opposite or a same-sex partner who is at least eighteen (18) years of age and has met all of the following requirements for at least 6 months:

- a) resides with You;
- b) shares financial assets and obligations with You;
- c) is not related by blood or adoption to You to a degree of closeness that would prohibit a legal marriage;
- d) neither You nor domestic partner is married to anyone else, nor has any other domestic partner.

We may require proof of the Domestic Partner relationship in the form of a signed and completed Affidavit of Domestic Partnership or whatever documentation as required by the state in which You reside.

**Effective Date** means the date and time Your coverage begins, as indicated in When Coverage Begins and Ends section of this certificate.

**Epidemic** means an outbreak of a contagious disease that spreads rapidly and widely and that is or has been identified as an epidemic by The United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) or World Health Organization (WHO).

**Family Member** means the following relatives of You:

- a) Spouse, civil union partner, Domestic Partner;
- b) children, children-in-law, step-children, foster children, ward or legal ward;
- c) siblings, siblings-in-law, step-siblings;
- d) parents, parents-in-law, step-parents, legal guardians, or guardians;
- e) grandparents, step-grandparents, grandchildren, or step-grandchildren;
- f) step-aunts or step-uncles;
- g) aunts or uncles;
- h) nieces or nephews; step- nieces or step- nephews.

**Financial Default or Financial Insolvency** means the total cessation of operations due to insolvency, with or without the filing of a bankruptcy petition or the total cessation or complete suspension of operations following the filing of a bankruptcy petition, whether voluntary or involuntary by an airline, or cruise line, tour operator or other travel provider provided the Financial Default or Financial Insolvency occurs more than 14 days following Your Effective Date for Your Trip Cancellation Benefits.

**Home Country** means the country or territory of residence or Your citizenship as shown on Your passport. If You have dual citizenship, for the purposes of this benefit, Your Home Country is the country of the passport You used to enter the Host Country, while covered under this certificate.

**Hospital** means a facility that:

- a. is operated according to law for the care and treatment of sick or Injured people;
- b. is licensed or recognized as a general hospital by the proper authority of the state in which it is located;
- c. is recognized as a general hospital by the Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Hospitals;
- d. is operated for the care and treatment of resident in-patients with a registered graduate nurse (RN) always on duty and with a laboratory and X-ray facility.

A **Hospital** does not include:

- 1. a nursing, convalescent or geriatric unit of a Hospital when a patient is confined mainly to receive nursing care;
- 2. a facility which primarily treats drug, marijuana or alcoholism addictions; or
- 3. a facility that is, other than incidentally, a clinic, a rest home, nursing home, convalescent home, home health care, or home for the aged, nor does it include any ward, room, wing or other section of the Hospital that is used for such purposes.

**Hospitalized or Hospitalization** means admitted to a Hospital overnight or where the patient is charged by the Hospital for a minimum of one day of Inpatient charges.

**Host Country** means a country or territory You are visiting or in which You are living which is not Your Home Country, other than an excluded country, while covered under this certificate.

**Inclement Weather** means any severe weather condition that delays the scheduled arrival or departure of a Common Carrier.

**Injury(ies)/Injured** means a bodily injury caused by an Accident occurring while Your coverage under this certificate is in force and resulting directly and independently of all other causes of loss covered by this certificate. Injury must not be caused by, or result from, Sickness. The injury(ies) requires examination and treatment and must be verified by a Physician.

**Inpatient** means a person:

- a) who is confined in a Hospital as a registered bed patient overnight; and

- b) for whom at least one day's room and board is charged by the Hospital unless confined as an Inpatient in any military, veterans or other government supported or sponsored Hospital for which a charge for room and board is not made.

**You or Your** means the person that is scheduled to participate on a Trip; for whom any required enrollment has been completed and the required premium has been paid.

**Medically Fit to Travel** means based on assessment by a treating Physician, following Your Injury or Sickness that occurs while on Your Trip, You are medically able to travel.

**Mental, Nervous or Psychological Condition or Disorder** means a mental or nervous health condition including, but not limited to: anxiety, depression, and neurosis, panic attack, phobia (such as fear of flying, fear of terrorism, fear of disease, etc.), psychosis; or any related physical manifestation. Mental, Nervous or Psychological Condition or Disorder does not include drug addiction, marijuana addiction, or alcohol addiction.

**Natural Disaster** means a flood, tsunami, cyclone, hurricane, tornado, earthquake, mudslide, avalanche, landslide, volcanic eruption, sandstorm, sinkhole, named winter storm, severe hail storm, fire, wildfire or blizzard; all of which are due to natural causes.

**Nearest Place of Safety** means a location determined by Us or Our designated Travel Assistance Services Provider where:

- a) You can be presumed safe from the Occurrence that precipitated Your security evacuation; and
- b) You have access to transportation to Your Home Country; and
- c) You have the availability of temporary lodging, if needed.

**Occurrence** means any of the following situations in which You find Yourself while covered by this certificate:

- a. expulsion from a Host Country or being declared persona non-grata on the written authority of the recognized government of a Host Country;
- b. political or military events or Civil Disorder or Riot involving a Host Country, if the government authorities in Your Home Country or in the Host Country issue an advisory stating that citizens of Your Home Country or citizens of the Host Country should leave the Host Country;
- c. Natural Disaster within 7 days of an event.

**Payments or Deposits** means the cash, check, or credit card amounts actually paid for Your Travel Arrangements. Certificates, vouchers, discounts and/or credits applied (in part or in full) towards the cost of Your Travel Arrangements are not Payments or Deposits as defined herein.

**Partial Hospitalization** means an outpatient program specifically designed for the diagnosis or active treatment of a serious mental disorder when there is a reasonable expectation for improvement or when it is necessary to maintain a patient's functional level and prevent relapse or full hospitalization. Partial Hospitalization programs are usually furnished by a Hospital as distinct and organized intensive ambulatory treatment service of less than 24-hour daily care.

**Physician** means a licensed practitioner of medical or surgical services or the healing arts including an accredited Christian Science Practitioner, acting within the scope of his/her license in the jurisdiction where the services are rendered. The treating Physician cannot be You or a Family Member.

**Pre-Existing Medical Condition** means an illness, disease, or other condition during the 180-day period immediately prior to the date Your coverage is effective for which You:

- 1) received or received a recommendation for a test, examination, or medical treatment for a condition which first manifested itself, worsened or became acute, or had symptoms which would have prompted a reasonable person to seek diagnosis, care or treatment; or
- 2) took or received a prescription for drugs or medicine. Item (2) of this definition does not apply to a condition which is treated or controlled solely through the taking of prescription drugs or medicine and remains treated or controlled without any adjustment or change in the required prescription throughout the 180 day period before coverage is effective under this certificate.
- 3) required a change in prescribed medication. Change in prescribed medication means the dosage or frequency of a medication has been reduced, increased, stopped and/or new medications have been prescribed due to the worsening of an underlying condition that is being treated with the medication, unless the change is:
  - a) between a brand name and a generic medication with comparable dosage; or
  - b) an adjustment to insulin or anti-coagulant dosage.

Death resulting from a pre-existing medical condition will not be excluded. Death must occur prior to the termination date of the benefit under which the claim is being made.

**Primary Residence** means Your fixed, permanent and main home for legal and tax purposes.

**Quarantined** means You are forced into strict medical isolation by a recognized government authority, their authorized deputies, medical examiners or Physician to prevent the spread of the disease due to You either having, or being suspected of having an contagious disease, infection or contamination while traveling outside of his/her country of Primary Residence.

An embargo preventing You from entering a country is not a quarantine.

**Reasonable Additional Expenses** means reasonable expenses for meals, taxi fares, essential telephone calls, local transportation, and lodging which are necessarily incurred as the result of a Common Carrier or Trip Delay and which are not provided by the Common Carrier or any other party free of charge.

**Related Costs** means food, lodging and if necessary, physical protection for You during the transport to the Nearest Place of Safety.

**Return Destination** means Your final destination as shown in the itinerary or other travel documents and the place to which You expect to return from Your Trip.

**Scheduled Departure Date** means the date on which You are originally scheduled to leave on Your Trip. This date is specified in the itinerary or other travel documents.

**Scheduled Destination** means as shown in the itinerary or other travel documents where You expect to travel to on Your Trip other than Return Destination.

**Scheduled Return Date** means the date on which You are scheduled to return to the point where Your Trip started or to a different specified Return Destination.

**Scheduled Trip Departure City** means the city from which You are originally scheduled to depart on the Trip.

**Security Breach** means any incident involving unauthorized and uncontrolled access by an individual or prohibited item into a sterile area or secured area of an airport that is determined by TSA or other airport security officials to present an immediate danger.

**Sickness** means an illness or disease of the body, that commences while Your coverage is in effect and requires examination, diagnosis and treatment by a Physician.

An illness or disease of the body that first manifests itself and then worsens or becomes acute prior to the Effective Date of Your coverage is not a Sickness as defined herein and is not covered by the certificate.

Sickness does not include any Mental, Nervous or Psychological, Condition or Disorders including but not limited to anxiety, depression, neurosis, phobia, psychosis; or any related physical manifestation.

**Spouse** means Your lawful spouse, if not legally separated or divorced. For the purposes of this certificate, the term spouse includes civil union partner whenever used.

**Strike** means a labor disagreement resulting in a stoppage of work which:

- a) is unannounced and unpublished at time this certificate is purchased;
- b) is organized, and legally sanctioned by a labor union or other organized association of workers, in a trade or profession, formed to protect and further their rights and interests; and
- c) interferes with the normal departure and arrival of a Common Carrier.

**Terrorist Incident** means an act of violence by any person acting on behalf of or in connection with any organization which is generally recognized as having the intent of overthrow or influence the control of any government and an act of violence committed by a Foreign Terrorist Organization (designated or recognized as such by the US State Department) that results in property damage, Injury or loss of life.

**Third Party(ies)** means any person, corporation or other entity (except You, Rental Property and Us).

**Time Sensitive Period** means insurance must be purchased within 3 days of the date Your initial Payments or Deposits for Your Trip is received.

**Travel Arrangements** means: (a) transportation; (b) accommodations; and (c) other specified services arranged for Your Trip arranged by, but not directly provided by Your Travel Supplier.

**Travel Assistance Services Provider** means the Assistance Company as listed within the Description of Coverage.

**Travel Supplier** means any entity or organization that coordinates or supplies Travel Arrangements for You:

1. from whom this certificate is purchased; and
2. with whom You booked Your Travel Arrangements.

**Trip** means a scheduled Trip of 90 days or less in length; for which coverage is elected and the premium paid and all Travel Arrangements are arranged prior to the Scheduled Departure Date; and is 100 miles or more from Your Primary Residence.

**Trip Cost** means the dollar amount for Trip Payments or Deposits:

- a. which are not refunded or refundable by the Travel Supplier, or are subject to restrictions; and
- b. which are not bit coins or digital currency; and
- c. which are paid by or on Your behalf prior to Your Trip Scheduled Departure Date, or which You are obligated, or later becomes obligated, to pay as a result of cancelling or interrupting Your Trip; and
- d. which are identified by You on the enrollment documents; and
- e. for which insurance was purchased.

**Unforeseen** means not known, anticipated or reasonably expected, and occurring after the effective date of the benefit under which the claim is being made.

**Uninhabitable** means:

- (1) the building structure itself is unstable and there is a risk of collapse in whole or in part; or
- (2) there is exterior or structural damage allowing elemental intrusion, such as rain, wind, hail or flood; or

- (3) immediate safety hazards have yet to be cleared, such as debris or downed electrical lines; or
- (4) the property is without electric gas, sewer service or water; or
- (5) local government authorities have issued a mandatory evacuation; or
- (6) the destination is inaccessible by the mode of transportation as shown on the travel documents or itinerary.

**Wanton** means senseless, unprovoked, unjustifiable, or deliberately malicious.

**Willful** means deliberate or intentional.

## SECTION VII EXCLUSIONS AND LIMITATIONS

Unless otherwise shown below, these exclusions apply to You.

### **The following exclusion(s) appl(y)(ies) to the Trip Cancellation and Trip Interruption.**

We will not pay for any loss or expense caused due to, arising or resulting from:

1. a Pre-Existing Medical Condition, as defined in the certificate;
2. being arrested for a DUI/ DWI and as result, being admitted into a (i) drug, marijuana or alcohol treatment facility; (ii) jail; or (iii) awaiting trial.

Death resulting from a Pre-Existing Medical Condition will not be excluded. Death must occur prior to the termination date of the benefit under which the claim is being made.

### **In addition to any applicable benefit-specific exclusion, the following general exclusions apply to all losses and all benefits.**

We will not pay for any loss or expense caused due to, arising or resulting from:

1. being under the influence of drugs, marijuana or narcotics, unless administered upon the advice of a Physician as prescribed;
2. activities, losses, or claims involving or resulting from possession, production, processing, sale, or use of marijuana, illegal drugs, alcohol or substances are excluded from coverage;
3. expenses incurred by any Child born or adopted during Your Trip;
4. war or act of war, including invasion, acts of foreign enemies, hostilities between nations (whether declared or undeclared), or civil war;
5. participation in a Civil Disorder or Riot, or insurrection;
6. the commission of or attempt to commit a felony or being engaged in an illegal occupation by You;
7. directly or indirectly, the actual, alleged or threatened use, discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, escape, release or exposure to any hazardous biological, chemical, nuclear radioactive weapon, device, material, gas, matter or contamination;
8. a loss or damage caused by detention, confiscation or destruction by customs;
9. failure of any tour operator, Common Carrier, or other travel entity, person or agency to provide the bargained-for Travel Arrangements for reasons other than Financial Insolvency or Financial Default. Important: there is no coverage for losses due to, arising or resulting from the Financial Insolvency or Financial Default of Your Travel Supplier or any entity that sold, solicited, negotiated, offered or disseminated this certificate to You;
10. Financial Insolvency or Financial Default or failure to supply services by a Travel Supplier;
11. gross negligence, or Willful and Wanton conduct by You.

### **MEDICALLY FIT TO TRAVEL EXCLUSION:**

We will not pay any expense as a result of You having been advised in writing that are not Medically Fit to Travel at the time of purchase of coverage for a Trip, as defined in the certificate.

If coverage for a Trip is purchased and it is later determined that You were not Medically Fit to Travel at the time of purchase of coverage for Your Trip, as defined in the certificate, the coverage is void and premium paid will be returned.

## SECTION VIII PREMIUMS

**PREMIUMS:** Coverage is not effective unless all premium due has been paid prior to the date of loss.

## SECTION IX CLAIMS PROCEDURES

**Your duties in the event a loss:**

**For Trip Cancellation and Trip Interruption** You must:

Immediately, or as soon as possible, call Your Travel Supplier and the program administrator (see Where to Report a Claim) to report Your cancellation or interruption to avoid non-covered charges due to late reporting.

If the Insured is prevented from taking their Trip as scheduled or must interrupt their Trip due to Sickness or Injury, the Insured should obtain medical care immediately. We require an examination and treatment by a Physician prior to cancellation or interruption unless it is not reasonably possible to do so. Provide all unused transportation tickets, official receipts, etc.

**For Trip Delay** You must obtain any specific dated documentation, which provides proof of the reason for delay or missed connection (airline or cruise line forms, medical statements, etc.). Submit this documentation along with Your trip itinerary and all receipts for additional expenses incurred.

**For Baggage and Personal Effects**

In case of lost, stolen, damaged, destroyed or delayed Baggage and Personal Effects, You must:

1. report theft losses to police or other local authorities as soon as possible and obtain their written report of Your loss;
2. report the baggage delay to the Common Carrier as soon as possible. Submit proof of the report, documentation confirming delivery as well as reimbursement and receipts for essential items;
3. take reasonable steps to protect Your Baggage and Personal Effects;
4. allow Us to examine the damaged Baggage and Personal Effects. We may require the damaged item to be sent in the event of payment;
5. in the event of theft or unauthorized use of Your credit cards, You must notify the credit card company immediately to prevent further unlawful activity;
6. original receipts (if available) and a complete list of stolen, damaged or lost item(s) must be provided along with proof of loss providing amount of loss, date, time and cause of loss, and a repair estimate, if the item(s) is damaged.

## SECTION X HOW TO FILE A CLAIM

**Notice of Claim:** Notice of claim must be reported to Us or Our authorized representative within 20 days after a loss occurs or as soon as is reasonably possible. You or someone on Your behalf may give the notice. The notice should be given to Us or Our authorized representative and should include sufficient information to identify You.

**Claim Forms:** When notice of claim is received by Us or Our authorized representative, Seven Corners, 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 You sending Us 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. Failure to furnish such proof within provided period will not invalidate nor reduce any claim if it shall be shown not to have been reasonably possible to furnish such proof during that time. Proof of Loss must, however, be furnished no later than 12 months from the time it is otherwise required, except in the absence of legal capacity.

All claims require You to provide Seven Corners with the following: a Trip invoice, itinerary or confirmation showing details of Your Trip (dates of travel, destination, etc.); and any other information reasonably required to prove the loss.

## Where to Report a Claim:

1. Mail: Seven Corners, Inc., Attn: Claims, 303 Congressional Blvd, Carmel, IN 46032 USA
2. E-mail: [tourclaims@sevencorners.com](mailto:tourclaims@sevencorners.com)
3. Fax: (+01) 317-575-2256

**Payment of Claims:** Benefits for loss of life will be paid to Your designated beneficiary. If a beneficiary is not otherwise designated by You, benefits for loss of life will be paid to the first of the following surviving preference beneficiaries:

1. Your spouse;
2. Your child or children jointly;
3. Your parents jointly if both are living or the surviving parent if only one survives;
4. Your brothers and sisters jointly; or
5. Your estate.

All other benefits will be paid directly to You, unless otherwise directed. Any accrued benefits unpaid at Your death will be paid to Your estate. If You have assigned Your benefits, we will honor the assignment if a signed copy has been filed with us. We are not responsible for the validity of any assignment.

All or a portion of all benefits provided by the certificate may, at Our option, be paid directly to the provider of the service(s) to You. All benefits not paid to the provider will be paid to You.

If any benefit is payable to: (a) an Insured who is a minor or otherwise not able to give a valid release; or (b) Your estate, We may pay any amount due under the certificate to Your beneficiary or any relative whom We find entitled to the payment. Any payment made in good faith shall fully discharge Us to any party to the extent of such payment.

If You paid for the cost of Your Trip for Yourself, as well as other travelers and incurred a covered loss, benefits will be paid directly to You, unless otherwise directed.

**Disagreement Over Size of Loss:** If there is a disagreement about the amount of the loss, either You or Us can make a written demand for an appraisal. After the demand, You and Us each select their own competent appraiser. After examining the facts, each of the two appraisers will give an opinion on the amount of the loss. If they do not agree, they will select an arbitrator. Any figure agreed to by 2 of the 3 (the appraisers and the arbitrator) will be binding. The appraiser selected by You is paid by You. We will pay the appraiser if We choose. You will share with Us the cost for the arbitrator and the appraisal process.

**Benefit to Bailee:** This insurance will in no way inure directly or indirectly to the benefit of any carrier or other bailee.

## SECTION XI GENERAL PROVISIONS

**The Contract:** The entire contract is made up of the Policy and amendments if applicable, the Policyholder's Master Application, a copy of which is attached and the Certificates of Insurance. This Policy may be changed, renewed, or ended without notice to or consent of any person with a beneficial interest in this Policy.

**Certificates:** The Company will issue Certificates to the Policyholder for their Insureds. Such Certificates will describe each person's benefits and rights under this Policy.

**Excess Insurance:** Insurance provided by this certificate shall be in excess of all other valid and collectible insurance or indemnity or as required by state law. If at the time of the occurrence of any loss there is other valid and collectible insurance or indemnity in place, We shall be liable only for the excess of the amount of loss, over the amount of such other insurance or indemnity, and applicable deductible. Recovery of losses from other parties does not result in a refund of premium paid.

**Beneficiary Designation and Change:** Your beneficiary(ies) is (are) the person(s) designated by and on file with Us or Our administrator. You are over the age of majority and legally competent may change Your beneficiary designation at any time, unless an irrevocable designation has been made, without the consent of the designated beneficiary(ies), by providing Us or Our administrator with a written request for change. When the request is received, whether You are then living or not, the change of beneficiary will relate back to and take effect as of the date of execution of the written request, but without prejudice to Us on account of any payment made by it prior to receipt of the request.

**Clerical Error:** We or Our authorized representative may make a clerical error in keeping the data. If so, when the error is found, the premium and/or benefits will be adjusted according to the correct data. An error will not end insurance validly in force, nor will it continue insurance validly ended.

**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.

**Conformity with Statute:** Terms of this certificate that conflict with the laws of the state where it is delivered are amended to conform to such laws.

**Data Needed:** We or Our authorized representative will keep a record of all the data needed to compute premium and carry out the terms of this certificate. We may examine such data at any reasonable time.

**Economic or Trade Sanctions:** Any payments under this certificate will only be made in full compliance with all United States of America economic or trade sanction laws or regulations, including, but not limited to, sanctions, laws, and regulations administered and enforced by the U.S. Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control ("OFAC"). Therefore, any expenses incurred or claims made involving travel that is in violation of such sanctions, laws and regulations will not be covered under this certificate. For more information, You may consult the OFAC internet website at [www.treas.gov/offices/enforcement/ofac/](http://www.treas.gov/offices/enforcement/ofac/).

**Entire Contract: Changes:** This certificate and any other attachments are the entire contract of insurance. No agent or other person may change it in any way. Only an officer of the Company can approve a change. Any such change must be shown in this certificate or its attachments.

**Legal Actions Against Us:** All certificate terms will be interpreted under the laws of the state in which the certificate was issued. No legal action may be brought to recover on the certificate within 60 days after written Proof of Loss has been furnished. No legal action for a claim may be brought against Us after 3 years from the time written Proof of Loss is required to be furnished.

**Limit on Agent's Authority:** No agent may change or waive any provisions of this certificate. Our office must approve any change or waiver in writing.

**Misstatement of Age:** If premiums are based on age and You have misstated Your age, there will be a fair adjustment of premiums based on Your true age. If the benefits for which You are insured are based on age and You have misstated Your age, there will be an adjustment of said benefit based on Your true age. We may require satisfactory proof of age before paying any claim.

**Other Insurance with Us:** You may be covered under only one travel certificate with Us for each Trip. If You are covered under more than one such certificate, You may select the coverage that is to remain in effect. In the event of death, the beneficiary or estate will make the selection. Premiums paid (less claims paid) will be refunded for the duplicate coverage that does not remain in effect.

**Subrogation:** If We have 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, We will be subrogated to that right. You shall help Us exercise Our rights in any reasonable way that We may request; nor do anything after the loss to prejudice Our rights; and in the event You recover damages from the Third Party responsible for the loss, You will hold the proceeds of the recovery for Us in trust and reimburse Us to the extent of Our previous payment for the loss.

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

**Termination of This certificate:** Termination of this certificate will not affect a claim for loss, which occurs after You pay the premium and while the certificate is in force.

**Transfer of Coverage:** Coverage under this certificate cannot be transferred to anyone else.

**United States Fire Insurance Company**  
Administrative Office: 5 Christopher Way, Eatontown, NJ 07724

These Amendatory Endorsements are attached to and made a part of the certificate to which it is attached. The provisions of the Amendatory Endorsements are effective on the Effective Date and will expire concurrently with the certificate, unless otherwise terminated.

**ALASKA AMENDATORY ENDORSEMENT**

The Certificate is hereby amended for Alaska as follows:

1. The "Concealment and Misrepresentation" provision, located within the "General Provisions" section of the certificate, is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

**Concealment and Misrepresentation:** The entire coverage will be void, if You conceal or misrepresent any material fact or circumstance relating to this insurance in the application or enrollment form for this certificate.

2. The "Disagreement Over Size of Loss" provision located within the "How to File a Claim" section of the certificate is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

**Disagreement Over Size of Loss (applies to the following coverage only: Baggage and Personal Effects):** If there is a disagreement about the amount of the loss, either You or We can make a written demand for an appraisal. Within 10 days of the written demand, You and We must notify the other of the competent appraiser each has selected. The two appraisers will promptly choose a competent and impartial umpire. Not later than 15 days after the umpire has been chosen, unless the time period is extended by the umpire, each appraiser will separately state in writing the amount of the loss. If the appraisers submit a written report of agreement on the amount of the loss, the agreed amount will be binding upon You and We. If the appraisers fail to agree, the appraisers will promptly submit their differences to the umpire. A decision agreed to by one of the appraisers and the umpire will be binding upon You and We. All expenses and fees, not including counsel or adjuster fees, incurred because of the appraisal shall be paid as determined by the umpire.

This "Disagreement Over Size of Loss" provision is void and shall have no effect if the certificate does not contain coverage for: Baggage and Personal Effects.

3. "The Contract" provision, located within the "General Provisions" section of the certificate, is hereby deleted and replaced as follows:

**The Contract:** The entire contract is made up of the Policy and amendments if applicable, the Policyholder's Master Application, a copy of which is attached and the Certificates of Insurance. This Policy may be changed, renewed, or ended without notice to or consent of any of Your beneficiaries or any other person with a beneficial interest in this Policy other than You.

4. When included, the general exclusion that provides "activities, losses, or claims involving or resulting from possession, production, processing, sale, or use of marijuana, illegal drugs, alcohol or substances are excluded from coverage" is hereby deleted and replaced as follows:

2. activities, losses, or claims involving or resulting from the possession, production, processing, sale, or use of marijuana, illegal drugs or substances are excluded from coverage. Activities, losses, or claims involving or resulting from the possession, production, processing, sale, or use of alcohol are also excluded from coverage if such possession, production, processing or sale is illegal in the state or jurisdiction where You are located at the time of the incident; or if the use of alcohol either: 1.) is illegal in the state or jurisdiction where You are located at the time of the incident, or 2.) causes You to become Intoxicated. For purposes of this exclusion, "Intoxicated" mean a blood alcohol level that equals or exceeds the legal limit for operating a motor vehicle in the state or jurisdiction where You are located at the time of an incident.

5. When included, the definition for "Usual and Customary" is hereby void and shall have no effect. All uses of the term throughout the certificate, and any form attached thereto, are void and shall have no effect.
6. When "Natural Disaster Evacuation" coverage is included, the definition of "Natural Disaster Evacuation," located within that coverage, is hereby deleted and replaced as follows:

**Natural Disaster Evacuation** means Your extraction from or within the Host Country due to a Natural Disaster Event that results in You being placed in imminent physical danger.

7. When included, the "Right of Recovery" provision, located within the "Natural Disaster Evacuation" coverage, is void and shall have no effect.
8. When included with the "Excess Insurance" limitation, located within the "General Provisions" section of the certificate, is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

**Excess Insurance:** Insurance provided by this certificate shall be in excess of all valid and collectible primary insurance or indemnity and all valid and collectible insurance or indemnity that does not also provide coverage on an excess basis. If at the time of the occurrence of any loss payable under this certificate there is valid and collectible insurance or indemnity in place that provides coverage on a primary basis or provides coverage on a basis that is not excess, We shall be liable only for the excess of the amount of loss, over the amount of such insurance or indemnity, and applicable deductible. Recovery of losses from other parties does not result in a refund of premium paid.

9. When included, the "Natural Disaster Coverage Conditions and Limitations," located within the "Natural Disaster Evacuation" coverage, are hereby deleted and replaced as follows:

#### **NATURAL DISASTER EVACUATION COVERAGE CONDITIONS AND LIMITATIONS**

1. The benefits and services described herein are provided to You only if authorized, arranged and coordinated by Us or Our designated Travel Assistance Services Provider;
2. We will not pay for any loss or expense recoverable under any valid and collectible primary insurance, recoverable under all valid and collectible insurance or indemnity that does not also provide coverage on an excess basis or that is recoverable through an employer;
3. We or Our designated Travel Assistance Services Provider has sole discretion regarding the means, methods and timing of a Natural Disaster Evacuation. However, the decision to travel is Your sole responsibility;
4. We are not responsible for the availability, timing, quality, results of, or failure to provide any service caused by conditions beyond Our control. This includes Our inability to provide You an evacuation or any additional services when United States of America law, local laws or regulatory agencies prohibit the rendering of such evacuation or service. We will not cover a Natural Disaster Evacuation from OFAC designated countries;
5. We will not pay any costs or expenses arising from:
  - a. Natural Disaster Evacuation from Your Home Country;
  - b. Natural Disaster Evacuation when the Natural Disaster Event precedes Your arrival in the Host Country;
  - c. Natural Disaster Evacuation when the evacuation notice has been issued or posted by the recognized government of Your Home Country or the Host Country for a period of more than seven (7) days and You have failed to notify Us or Our designated Travel Assistance Services Provider regarding Your need to be evacuated;
  - d. the actual or threatened use or release of any nuclear, chemical or biological weapon or device, or exposure to nuclear reaction or radiation;
  - e. We will not pay for any loss or expense arising from or attributable to: a) fraudulent or criminal acts committed or attempted by You; b) alleged violation of the laws of the country You are visiting, unless We determine such allegations to be fraudulent; or c) failure to maintain required documents or visas;

- f. We will not pay for any loss or expense arising from or attributable to: a) debt, insolvency, business or commercial failure; b) the repossession of any property; or c) Your non-compliance with a contract, license or permit;
- g. We will not pay for any loss or expense arising from or due to liability assumed by You under any contract;
- h. Your arrival into a country for which a formal recommendation in the form of a travel alert or travel warning from the U.S State Department advising caution at a level 3 or higher in traveling to specified destinations due to reasons such as armed violence, civil or political unrest, high incidence of crime (especially kidnapping and/or murder), natural disaster or outbreak of one or more contagious diseases has been issued preceding Your arrival into that country on Your Trip.

T7000GB-AE.AK

#### ARKANSAS AMENDATORY ENDORSEMENT

The Certificate is hereby amended for Arkansas as follows:

1. The **Legal Actions Against Us** provision appearing in General Provisions is deleted and replaced as follows:

**Legal Actions:** All certificate terms will be interpreted under the laws of the state in which the certificate was issued. A legal action or suit for a claim may be brought against Us within the time allowed by law.

2. The **Subrogation** provisions appearing in **General Provisions** are amended to include this sentence at the end of the provisions (whenever either provision is included):

We are entitled to recovery only after You have been fully compensated for the loss sustained.

T7000GB-AE.AR

#### CONNECTICUT AMENDATORY ENDORSEMENT

The certificate is hereby amended for Connecticut as follows:

1. The Subrogation provisions in **GENERAL PROVISIONS** section are deleted and revised as follows:

**Subrogation:** If We have 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, We will be subrogated to that right as permitted by law. You shall help Us exercise Our rights in any reasonable way that We may request; nor do anything after the loss to prejudice Our rights; and in the event You recover damages from the Third Party responsible for the loss, You will hold the proceeds of the recovery for Us in trust and reimburse Us to the extent of Our previous payment for the loss, as permitted by law.

T7000GB-AE.CT

#### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA AMENDATORY ENDORSEMENT

The certificate is hereby amended for the District of Columbia as follows:

1. **GENERAL PROVISIONS** section is amended to include the following provisions:

**Fraud Warning as required for District of Columbia Residents:** It is a crime to provide false or misleading information to an insurer for the purpose of defrauding the insurer or any other person. Penalties include imprisonment and/or fines. In addition, an insurer may deny insurance benefits, if false information materially related to a claim was provided by the applicant.

T7000GB-AE.DC

#### GEORGIA AMENDATORY ENDORSEMENT

The certificate is hereby amended for Georgia as follows:

1. The "Other Insurance with Us" provision, located within the "General Provisions" section of the certificate, is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

**Other Insurance with Us:** (1.) You may be covered under only one travel Policy/certificate with Us for each Trip. If You are covered under more than one such Policy/certificate, You may select the coverage that is to remain in effect. In the event of Your death, the beneficiary or estate will make this selection. The entire premium that You paid for each Policy/certificate that will not remain in effect shall be refunded to You.

(2.) The following shall apply if there is a valid claim or claims under multiple Policies/certificates with Us for each Trip. If any claim(s) has been paid under any Policy/certificate that will not remain in effect because of the selection described in paragraph (1.) of this provision, You will refund to Us any amount paid to You under each Policy/certificate that will not remain in effect that exceeds the premium paid for that Policy/certificate. If the amount of the claim paid to You under each such Policy/certificate does not exceed the premium paid, then we shall refund to You an amount that is the difference between the premium paid to Us and the claim paid to You for each Policy/certificate that will not remain in effect. This shall cause You to receive an amount from Us that is equal to the premium that You paid for each Policy/certificate that will not remain in effect. You will then be paid under the Policy/certificate that remains in effect.

2. The following provision is hereby added:

**Conflicting Excess Insurance Provisions:** The following applies only if You are covered for the same loss under multiple policies of insurance or indemnity, including the certificate. If the certificate (including any coverage within the certificate or any coverage attached to the certificate as a Rider or part of a Rider) contains a provision indicating that it provides benefits for Your loss in excess of all other valid and collectible policies of insurance or indemnity, and You are also covered by one or more other valid and collectible policies of insurance or indemnity for the same loss, and these other policies contain clauses that are irreconcilable to this, then in accordance with Georgia law, all of these clauses shall cancel each other out, and the liability for the loss will be divided equally between Us and the other insurer(s).

T7000GB-AE.GA

#### IDAHO AMENDATORY ENDORSEMENT

The certificate is hereby amended for Idaho as follows:

1. The following is hereby added to the certificate:

**Contact Information for the Idaho Department of Insurance:**

Idaho Department of Insurance  
Consumer Affairs  
700 W. State Street, 3rd Floor  
PO Box 83720  
Boise, ID 83720-0043

1-800-721-3272 or 208-334-4250 or [www.DOI.Idaho.gov](http://www.DOI.Idaho.gov)

2. The **Disagreement Over Size of Loss** provision, located within the **How to File a Claim** section of the certificate, is void and will have no effect.

3. The following definition is hereby added to the certificate:

**Elective Abortion** means an abortion for any reason other than to preserve the life of the female upon whom the abortion is performed.

T7000GB-AE.ID

#### KANSAS AMENDATORY ENDORSEMENT

The certificate is hereby amended for Kansas as follows:

1. The "Disagreement Over Size of Loss" provision located within the "How to File a Claim" section of the certificate is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

**Disagreement Over Size of Loss:** If there is a disagreement about the amount of the loss, either You or We can make a written demand for an appraisal, if voluntary and mutually acceptable. After the demand, You and We each select our own competent appraiser. After examining the facts, each of the two appraisers will give an opinion on the amount of the loss. If they do not agree, they will select an arbitrator. Any figure agreed to by 2 of the 3 (the appraisers and the arbitrator) will be binding. The appraiser selected by You is paid by You. We will pay the appraiser We choose. You will share with Us the cost for the arbitrator and the appraisal process.

2. The "Legal Actions Against Us" provision located within the "General Provisions" section of the certificate is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

**Legal Actions Against Us:** All certificate terms will be interpreted under the laws of the state in which the certificate was issued. No legal action may be brought to recover on the certificate within 60 days after written Proof of Loss has been furnished. No legal action for a claim may be brought against Us after 5 years from the time written Proof of Loss is required to be furnished.

3. Any and all references to "Usual and Customary" within the certificate and any attachment thereto are hereby void and shall have no effect.

4. The following provision is hereby added to the certificate:

**Time of Payments of Claims:**

Payment shall be made within 30 calendar days after the amount of the payment is agreed to between the claimant and Us in accordance with K.S.A. 40-2,126.

5. The "Subrogation" provision, located in the "General Provisions" section of the certificate is hereby deleted and replaced as follows:

**Subrogation:** If We have 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, We will be subrogated to that right. You shall help Us exercise Our rights in any reasonable way that We may request; nor do anything after the loss to prejudice Our rights; and in the event You recover damages from the Third Party responsible for the loss, You will hold the proceeds of the recovery for Us in trust and reimburse Us to the extent of Our previous payment for the loss.

T7000GB-AE.KS

**LOUISIANA AMENDATORY ENDORSEMENT**

The certificate is hereby amended for Louisiana as follows:

1. The following provision is hereby added to the certificate:

**Time of Payment of Claims:** We, or Our designated representative, will pay claims within 30 days after receipt of acceptable proof of loss.

2. In the "General Provisions" section, the "Concealment and Misrepresentation" provision is deleted and replaced as follows:

**Concealment and Misrepresentation:** The entire coverage will be void if You conceal or misrepresent any material fact or circumstance relating to this insurance, with the intent to deceive, when applying for coverage. The entire coverage may be cancelled if before, during or after a loss, any material fact or circumstance relating to this insurance has been concealed or misrepresented.

3. The "Disagreement Over Size of Loss" provision, located within the "How to File a Claim" section of the certificate, is void and will have no effect.
4. If included, the "Subrogation" provision, located within the "General Provisions" section of the certificate, is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

**Subrogation:** If We have 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, We will be subrogated to that right, provided You have been made whole. You shall help Us exercise Our rights in any reasonable way that We may request; nor do anything after the loss to prejudice Our rights; and in the event You recover damages from the Third Party responsible for the loss, You will hold the proceeds of the recovery for Us in trust and reimburse Us to the extent of Our previous payment for the loss, provided You have already been made whole for that loss. The amount of Our recovery will be reduced by a proper share of Your legal fees and Your expenses needed to obtain the refund.

5. If included, the definition of "Domestic Partner" in the "General Definitions" section of the certificate is hereby deleted and shall have no effect.
6. If included, the definition of "Spouse" in the "General Definitions" section of the certificate is hereby deleted and replaced as follows:

**Spouse** means Your lawful spouse, if not legally separated or divorced.

7. If included, the definition of "Family Member" in the "General Definitions" section of the certificate is hereby deleted and replaced as follows:

**Family Member** means the following relatives of You:

- a) Spouse;
- b) children, children-in-law, step-children, foster children, ward or legal ward;
- c) siblings, siblings-in-law, step-siblings;
- d) parents, parents-in-law, step-parents, legal guardians, or guardians;
- e) grandparents, step-grandparents, grandchildren, or step-grandchildren;
- f) step-aunts or step-uncles;
- g) aunts or uncles;
- h) nieces or nephews; step- nieces or step- nephews.

T7000GS-AE.LA

### MAINE AMENDATORY ENDORSEMENT

The certificate is hereby amended for Maine as follows:

1. Any and all references to "Usual and Customary" within the certificate and any attachment thereto are hereby void and shall have no effect.
2. The "Disagreement Over Size of Loss" provision located within the "How to File a Claim" section of the certificate is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

**Disagreement Over Size of Loss:** If there is a disagreement about the amount of the loss, either You or We can make a written demand for an appraisal, if voluntary and mutually acceptable. After the demand, You and We each select our own competent appraiser. After examining the facts, each of the two appraisers will give an opinion on the amount of the loss. If they do not agree, they will select an arbitrator. Any figure agreed to by 2 of the 3 (the appraisers and the arbitrator) will be binding. The appraiser selected by You is paid by You. We will pay the appraiser We choose. You will share with Us the cost for the arbitrator and the appraisal process.

3. The "Concealment and Misrepresentation" provision, located in the "General Provisions" section of the certificate, is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

**Concealment and Misrepresentation:** The entire coverage will be voidable if before, during or after a loss, any material fact or circumstance relating to this insurance has been concealed or misrepresented. In order to void the certificate, We will seek voidance through Maine's state court system.

4. When included, the definition of "Sickness," located in the "General Definitions" section of the certificate, is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

**Sickness** means an illness or disease of the body, that commences while Your coverage is in effect and requires examination, diagnosis and treatment by a Physician.

An illness or disease of the body that first manifests itself and then worsens or becomes acute prior to the Effective Date of Your coverage is not a Sickness as defined herein and is not covered by the certificate.

Sickness does not include any Mental, Nervous or Psychological, Condition or Disorders including but not limited to anxiety, depression, neurosis, phobia, psychosis; or any related physical manifestation.

5. When included, the definition of "Actual Cash Value," located in the "General Definitions" section of the certificate, is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

**Actual Cash Value** means the replacement cost of an insured item of property at the time of loss, less the value of physical depreciation as to the item damaged. "Physical depreciation," for purposes of this definition, means a value as determined according to standard business practices.

T7000GB-AE.ME

### MICHIGAN AMENDATORY ENDORSEMENT

The certificate is hereby amended for Michigan as follows:

1. The "Legal Actions Against Us" provision, located within the "General Provisions" section of the certificate is hereby deleted and revised as follows:

**Legal Actions Against Us:** All certificate terms will be interpreted under the laws of the state in which the certificate was issued. No legal action may be brought to recover on the certificate within 60 days after written Proof of Loss has been furnished. No legal action for a claim may be brought against Us after 6 years from the time written Proof of Loss is required to be furnished.

2. The following provision is hereby added to the certificate:

**Criminal Acts:** The criminal acts portion of any exclusion in the certificate, or in any document attached thereto, will not be applied in a way that denies coverage/ benefits without: 1.) a court or other adjudicatory body convicting You of the criminal act that resulted in the loss; or 2.) You agreeing to a plea deal in which You assert that You committed the criminal act that resulted in the loss.

3. When included, the "Political or Security Evacuation Coverage Conditions and Limitations," located within the "Political or Security Evacuation" coverage, are hereby revised to read as follows:

### POLITICAL OR SECURITY EVACUATION COVERAGE CONDITIONS AND LIMITATIONS

1. The benefits and services described herein are provided to You only if authorized, arranged and coordinated by Us or Our designated Travel Assistance Services Provider;
2. We will not pay for any loss or expense recoverable under any other valid and collectible insurance or through an employer;

3. We or Our designated Travel Assistance Services Provider have sole discretion regarding the means, methods and timing of a Political or Security Evacuation. However, the decision to travel is Your sole responsibility;
4. We are not responsible for the availability, timing, quality, results of, or failure to provide any service caused by conditions beyond Our control. This includes Our inability to provide You an evacuation or any additional services when United States of America law, local laws or regulatory agencies prohibit the rendering of such evacuation or service. We will not cover a Political or Security Evacuation from OFAC designated countries;
5. We will not pay any costs or expenses arising from:
  - a. Political or Security Evacuation from Your Home Country;
  - b. Political or Security Evacuation when the Political or Security Event precedes Your arrival in the Host Country;
  - c. Political or Security Evacuation when the evacuation notice has been issued or posted by the recognized government of Your Home Country or the Host Country for a period of more than seven (7) days and You have failed to notify Us or Our designated Travel Assistance Services Provider regarding Your need to be evacuated;
  - d. the actual or threatened use or release of any nuclear, chemical or biological weapon or device, or exposure to nuclear reaction or radiation, regardless of contributory cause;
  - e. We will not pay for any loss or expense arising from or attributable to: a) (i.) fraudulent or (ii.) criminal acts committed or attempted by You; b) alleged violation of the laws of the country You are visiting, unless We determine such allegations to be fraudulent; or c) failure to maintain required documents or visas;
  - f. We will not pay for any loss or expense arising from or attributable to: a) debt, insolvency, business or commercial failure; b) the repossession of any property; or c) Your non-compliance with a contract, license or permit;
  - g. We will not pay for any loss or expense arising from or due to liability assumed by You under any contract;
  - h. Your arrival into a country for which a formal recommendation in the form of a travel alert or travel warning from the U.S State Department advising caution at a level 3 or higher in traveling to specified destinations due to reasons such as armed violence, civil or political unrest, high incidence of crime (specially kidnapping and/or murder), natural disaster or outbreak of one or more contagious diseases has been issued preceding Your arrival into that country on Your Trip.
6. When included, "Natural Disaster Evacuation Coverage Conditions and Limitations," located within the "Natural Disaster Evacuation" coverage, are hereby revised to read as follows:

#### **NATURAL DISASTER EVACUATION COVERAGE CONDITIONS AND LIMITATIONS**

1. The benefits and services described herein are provided to You only if authorized, arranged and coordinated by Us or Our designated Travel Assistance Services Provider;
2. We will not pay for any loss or expense recoverable under any other valid and collectible insurance or through an employer;
3. We or Our designated Travel Assistance Services Provider have sole discretion regarding the means, methods and timing of a Natural Disaster Evacuation. However, the decision to travel is Your sole responsibility;
4. We are not responsible for the availability, timing, quality, results of, or failure to provide any service caused by conditions beyond Our control. This includes Our inability to provide You an evacuation or any additional services when United States of America law, local laws or regulatory agencies prohibit the rendering of such evacuation or service. We will not cover a Natural Disaster Evacuation from OFAC designated countries;
5. We will not pay any costs or expenses arising from:
  - a. Natural Disaster Evacuation from Your Home Country;
  - b. Natural Disaster Evacuation when the Natural Disaster Event precedes Your arrival in the Host Country;
  - c. Natural Disaster Evacuation when the evacuation notice has been issued or posted by the recognized government of Your Home Country or the Host Country for a period of more than seven (7) days and You have failed to notify Us or Our designated Travel Assistance Services Provider regarding Your need to be

evacuated;

- d. the actual or threatened use or release of any nuclear, chemical or biological weapon or device, or exposure to nuclear reaction or radiation, regardless of contributory cause;
- e. We will not pay for any loss or expense arising from or attributable to: a) (i.) fraudulent or (ii.) criminal acts committed or attempted by You; b) alleged violation of the laws of the country You are visiting, unless We determine such allegations to be fraudulent; or c) failure to maintain required documents or visas;
- f. We will not pay for any loss or expense arising from or attributable to: a) debt, insolvency, business or commercial failure; b) the repossession of any property; or c) Your non-compliance with a contract, license or permit;
- g. We will not pay for any loss or expense arising from or due to liability assumed by You under any contract;
- h. Your arrival into a country for which a formal recommendation in the form of a travel alert or travel warning from the U.S State Department advising caution at a level 3 or higher in traveling to specified destinations due to reasons such as armed violence, civil or political unrest, high incidence of crime (specially kidnapping and/or murder), natural disaster or outbreak of one or more contagious diseases has been issued preceding Your arrival into that country on Your Trip.

T7000GB-AE.MI

### NEW HAMPSHIRE AMENDATORY ENDORSEMENT

The certificate is hereby amended for New Hampshire as follows:

1. The "Concealment and Misrepresentation" provision, located within the "General Provisions" section of the certificate, is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

**Concealment and Misrepresentation:** The entire coverage will be cancelled if You knowingly either concealed or misrepresented any material fact or circumstance relating to this insurance before, during or after a loss. If more than one person is covered by this certificate, the cancellation shall not apply to any covered person who did not knowingly either conceal or misrepresent any material fact or circumstance relating to this insurance before, during or after a loss.

2. The following language is hereby added to the certificate:

**Cancellation by the Company:** If the certificate is cancelled by the Company pursuant to the Concealment and Misrepresentation provision, the cancellation shall not take effect unless We first physically (not electronically) deliver or mail to You at Your address a written notice of the cancellation. Such notice shall:

I.) State the date on which such cancellation shall become effective. The effective date shall not be less than 45 days after the date the notice is mailed or delivered to You provided however, the effective date may be 10 days from the date of mailing or delivery when the certificate is not a renewal certificate and the cancellation notice is mailed or delivered within 90 days of the certificate's effective date.

II.) State the specific reason or reasons of for the cancellation or be accompanied by a statement that upon Your written request, mailed or delivered to Us not less than 10 days prior to the effective date of cancellation, We will specify the reason or reasons for such cancellation. If requested, We shall supply such information within 5 days of Our receipt of such a request.

3. The "Disagreement Over Size of Loss" provision, located within the "How to File a Claim" section of the certificate, is void and will have no effect.

4. The "Misstatement of Age" provision, located within the "General Provisions" section of the certificate, is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

**Misstatement of Age:** If premiums are based on age and You have misstated Your age, there will be a fair adjustment of premiums based on Your true age. We may require satisfactory proof of age before paying any claim.

T7000GB-AE.NH

## NORTH DAKOTA AMENDATORY ENDORSEMENT

The certificate is hereby amended for North Dakota as follows:

1. The "Legal Actions Against Us" provision located within the "General Provisions" section of the certificate is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

**Legal Actions Against Us:** All certificate terms will be interpreted under the laws of the state in which the certificate was issued. No legal action may be brought to recover on the policy within 60 days after written Proof of Loss has been furnished. No legal action for a claim may be brought against Us after 3 years from the time written Proof of Loss is required to be furnished.

2. In Section VII, "Exclusions and Limitations," the general exclusion regarding the commission of or attempt to commit a felony is deleted and replaced with the following:

6. the commission of or attempt to commit a felony or being engaged in an illegal occupation by You or a Family Member. The sole exception to this exclusion is for situations where a Family Member commits, or attempts to commit, an act of violence against another Family Member. In such cases, the Family Member who is the victim, or the intended victim, of the act of violence and all innocent coinsureds are still eligible to have their loss or losses covered under the certificate;

3. The "Disagreement Over Size of Loss" provision, located within the "How to File a Claim" section of the certificate is void and will have no effect.

T7000GB-AE.ND

## NEVADA AMENDATORY ENDORSEMENT

The certificate is hereby amended for Nevada as follows:

1. The "Disagreement Over Size of Loss" provision, located within the "How to File a Claim" section of the certificate, is void and will have no effect.
2. The "Section VIII Premiums" section of the certificate is void and will have no effect.

T7000GB-AE.NV

## OKLAHOMA AMENDATORY ENDORSEMENT

The certificate is hereby amended for Oklahoma as follows:

1. The following provision is hereby added to the certificate:

**WARNING:** Any person who knowingly, and with intent to injure, defraud or deceive any insurer, makes any claim for the proceeds of an insurance policy containing any false, incomplete or misleading information, is guilty of a felony.

T7000GB-AE.OK

## RHODE ISLAND AMENDATORY ENDORSEMENT

The certificate is hereby amended for Rhode Island as follows:

1. The "Disagreement Over Size of Loss" provision located within the "How to File a Claim" section of the certificate is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

**Disagreement Over Size of Loss:** If there is a disagreement about the amount of the loss, either You or We can make a written demand for an appraisal, if voluntary and mutually acceptable. After the demand, You and We each select our own competent appraiser. After examining the facts, each of the two appraisers will give an opinion on the amount of the loss. If they do not agree, they will select an arbitrator. Any figure agreed to by 2 of the 3 (the appraisers and the arbitrator) will be binding. The appraiser selected by You is paid by You. We will pay the appraiser We choose. You will share with Us the cost for the arbitrator and the appraisal process.

2. If included, the "Subrogation" provision is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

**Subrogation:** If We have 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, We will be subrogated to that right. You shall help Us exercise Our rights in any reasonable way that We may request; nor do anything after the loss to prejudice Our rights; and in the event You recover damages from the Third Party responsible for the loss, You will hold the proceeds of the recovery for Us in trust and reimburse Us to the extent of Our previous payment for the loss.

If We collect a casualty loss from a third party, We shall, from the funds collected, first pay to You the deductible portion of the casualty loss less the prorated share of Subrogation expenses and only after this retain any funds in excess of the deductible portion of the recovery.

3. The definition of **Family Member** in **General Definitions** section is deleted and replaced as follows:

**Family Member** means the following relatives of You:

- a) Spouse, including a civil union partner, Domestic Partner;
- b) children, children-in-law, step-children, foster children, ward or legal ward;
- c) siblings, siblings-in-law, step-siblings;
- d) parents, parents-in-law, step-parents, legal guardians, or guardians;
- e) grandparents, step-grandparents, grandchildren, or step-grandchildren;
- f) step-aunts or step-uncles;
- g) aunts or uncles;
- h) nieces or nephews; step- nieces or step- nephews.

T7000GB-AE.RI

### **SOUTH CAROLINA AMENDATORY ENDORSEMENT**

The certificate is hereby amended for South Carolina as follows:

1. The "The Contract" provision located within the "General Provisions" section of the certificate is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

**The Contract:** The entire contract is made up of the Policy and amendments if applicable, the Policyholder's Master Application, a copy of which is attached and the Certificates of Insurance. This Policy may be changed, renewed, or ended without notice to or consent of any person with a beneficial interest in this Policy who is not a party to the Contract.

2. The following contact information for United States Fire Insurance Company is hereby added to the certificate:

**United States Fire Insurance Company**  
Administrative Office: 5 Christopher Way, Eatontown, NJ 07724  
Phone Number: 1-800-392-1970

T7000GB-AE.SC

### **SOUTH DAKOTA AMENDATORY ENDORSEMENT**

The certificate is hereby amended for South Dakota as follows:

1. The last sentence of the **Legal Actions Against Us** provision appearing in **GENERAL PROVISIONS** section is deleted and replaced as follows:

No legal action for a claim may be brought against Us after 6 years from the time written Proof of Loss is required to be furnished.

T7000GB-AE.SD

#### TEXAS AMENDATORY ENDORSEMENT

The certificate is hereby amended for Texas as follows:

1. The "Disagreement Over Size of Loss" provision, located within the "How to File a Claim" section of the certificate, is void and will have no effect.
2. The "Proof of Loss" provision, located within the "How to File a Claim" section of the certificate, is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

**Proof of Loss:** Proof of loss must be provided within 90 days of the date that We request proof of loss to be provided. Failure to furnish such proof within provided period will not invalidate nor reduce any claim if it shall be shown not to have been reasonably possible to furnish such proof during that time. Proof of Loss must, however, be furnished no later than 12 months from the time it is otherwise required, except in the absence of legal capacity.

All claims require You to provide Seven Corners with the following: a Trip invoice, itinerary or confirmation showing details of Your Trip (dates of travel, destination, etc.); and any other information reasonably required to prove the loss.

3. The following provision is hereby added to the certificate:

**Time of Payment of Claims:** We shall notify You in writing of the acceptance or rejection of a claim not later than the 15th business day after We receive all items, statements, and forms required by Us to secure final proof of loss.

If We are unable to accept or reject the claim within the period specified above, We shall, within that same period, notify You of the reasons that We need additional time. We shall accept or reject the claim not later than the 45th day after the date We notify You of Our need for additional time.

If We notify You that We will pay a claim or part of a claim, We shall pay the claim not later than the 5th business day after the date notice is made.

If payment of the claim or part of the claim is conditioned on the performance of an act by You, We shall pay the claim not later than the 5th business day after the date the act is performed.

T7000GB-AE.TX

#### VERMONT AMENDATORY ENDORSEMENT

The certificate is hereby amended for Vermont as follows:

1. The **Disagreement Over Size of Loss** section of **How to File a Claim** provision is void and will have no effect.
2. The **Concealment and Misrepresentation** provision under **General Provisions** is deleted and replaced as follows:

**Fraud and Material Misrepresentation:** The entire coverage will be void if the certificate was obtained through fraud or material misrepresentation. The certificate may be cancelled and the claim may be denied for fraud or material misrepresentation in the presentation of a claim.

3. The **Conformity with Statute provision** under **General Provisions** is deleted and replaced as follows:

**Conformity with Statute:** Any provision of the certificate, which is in direct conflict with the laws, regulations and statutes of the state of Vermont, will be governed by the laws, regulations and statutes of the state of Vermont as of the effective date of the certificate.

4. The **Physician Examination and Autopsy** provision under **General Provisions** is deleted and replaced as follows:

**Physician Examination and Autopsy:** We, at Our expense, may have You examined when and as often as is reasonable while the claim is pending. We may have an autopsy done (at Our expense), unless the law or Your religion forbids it.

5. Whenever the term Spouse is used throughout the certificate, or in any document attached to the certificate, the term, and any other term denoting a marital relationship, shall include parties to a civil union under Vermont law. Any Family Member brought within the scope of the certificate as a result of Your marriage is also brought within the scope of the certificate by Your civil union under Vermont law.

6. The following is hereby added to the certificate:

**Time of Payment of Claims:** If We agree to settle a claim, We shall pay, or shall mail payment, within 10 business days, unless a further delay is mandated under an order by a court of competent jurisdiction or required by law.

T7000GB-AE.VT

#### WISCONSIN AMENDATORY ENDORSEMENT

The certificate is hereby amended for Wisconsin as follows:

1. The "Disagreement Over Size of Loss" provision, located within the "How to File a Claim" section of the certificate, is void and will have no effect.

T7000GB-AE.WI

If there is a conflict between the certificate and these Endorsements, the terms of these Endorsements will govern.

Signed for United States Fire Insurance Company By:



Marc J. Adee  
Chairman and CEO



James Kraus  
Secretary

**TEXAS  
IMPORTANT NOTICE**

To obtain information or make a complaint:

You may call United States Fire Insurance Company's toll-free telephone number for information or to make a complaint at:

**1- 800-392-1970**

You may also write to United States Fire Insurance Company at:

United States Fire Insurance Company  
Complaint Department  
c/o Crum & Forster  
5 Christopher Way  
Eatontown, NJ 07724

You may contact the Texas Department of Insurance to obtain information on companies, coverages, rights, or complaints at:

**1-800-252-3439**

You may write the Texas Department of Insurance:

P.O. Box 149104  
Austin, TX 78714-9104  
Fax: (512) 490-1007  
Web: [www.tdi.texas.gov](http://www.tdi.texas.gov)  
E-mail: [ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov](mailto:ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov)

**PREMIUM OR CLAIM DISPUTES:** Should you have a dispute concerning your premium or about a claim, you should contact the agent first. If the dispute is not resolved, you may contact the Texas Department of Insurance.

**ATTACH THIS NOTICE TO YOUR POLICY.**

This Notice is for information only and does not become a part or condition of the attached document.

**TEXAS  
AVISO IMPORTANTE**

Para obtener información o para presentar una queja:

Usted puede llamar al número de teléfono gratuito de United States Fire Insurance Company para obtener información o para presentar una queja al:

**1- 800-392-1970**

Usted también puede escribir a United States Fire Insurance Company:

United States Fire Insurance Company  
Complaint Department  
c/o Crum & Forster  
5 Christopher Way  
Eatontown, NJ 07724

Usted puede comunicarse con el Departamento de Seguros de Texas para obtener información sobre compañías, coberturas, derechos, o quejas al:

**1-800-252-3439**

Usted puede escribir al Departamento de Seguros de Texas a:

P.O. Box 149104  
Austin, TX 78714-9104  
Fax: (512) 490-1007  
Sitio web: [www.tdi.texas.gov](http://www.tdi.texas.gov)  
E-mail: [ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov](mailto:ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov)

**DISPUTAS POR PRIMAS DE SEGUROS O RECLAMACIONES:** Si tiene una disputa relacionada con su prima de seguro o con una reclamación, usted debe comunicarse con el agente primero. Si la disputa no es resuelta, usted puede comunicarse con el Departamento de Seguros de Texas.

**ADJUNTE ESTE AVISO A SU  
PÓLIZA:**

Este aviso es solamente para propósitos informativos y no se convierte en parte o en condición del documento adjunto.

**UNITED STATES FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY**  
Administrative Office: 5 Christopher Way, Eatontown, NJ 07724

---

When used throughout this document “Company”, “Our”, “We”, or “Us” means:

**United States Fire Insurance Company**  
**District of Columbia**  
**GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES**

When you submit a claim and that claim is denied, we will provide a written statement containing the reasons for the Adverse Determination. You have the right to request a review of any Company decision or action pertaining to our contractual relationship and to appeal any adverse claim determination we’ve made by filing a Grievance. These procedures have been developed to ensure a full investigation of a Grievance through a formal process.

**DEFINITIONS**

A “**Grievance**” is a written complaint requesting a change to a previous claim decision, claims payment, the handling or reimbursement of health care services, or other matters pertaining to your coverage and our contractual relationship.

An “**Adverse Determination**” is a determination by the Company or its designated utilization review organization that (i) a service, treatment, drug, or device, is experimental, investigational, specifically limited or excluded by your coverage; or (ii) a facility admission, the availability of care, continued stay or other health care services proposed or furnished have been reviewed and, based upon the information provided, does not meet the contractual requirements for medical necessity, appropriateness, health care setting, level of care or effectiveness and therefore, the benefit coverage is denied, reduced or terminated in whole or in part.

**INFORMAL GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE**

You, your authorized representative, or a provider acting on your behalf may submit an oral complaint to us within 60-days after an event that causes a dispute. Telephoning allows you to discuss your complaint or concerns and gives us the opportunity to immediately resolve the problem.

If we don’t have all the information necessary to review your complaint, we will request any additional information within 5 business days of receiving your complaint. After we receive all the necessary information, we will provide you, your authorized representative, or a provider acting on your behalf with our written decision within 30-days after receiving the complaint and all necessary information.

If the problem cannot be resolved in this manner, you still have the right to submit a written request for the complaint to be reviewed through the Formal Grievance Procedure, as outlined below.

**FORMAL GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE**

A formal Grievance may be submitted by you, your authorized representative, or in the event of an Adverse Determination, by a provider acting on your behalf.

If you file a formal Grievance, you will have the opportunity to submit written comments, documents, records and other information you feel are relevant to the Grievance, regardless of whether those materials were considered in the initial Adverse Determination.

**First Level Review**

Within 3 working business days after receiving the Grievance, we must acknowledge the Grievance and provide you, your authorized representative or a provider with the name, address, and telephone number of the coordinator handling the Grievance and information on how to submit written material. The person(s) who reviews the Grievance will not be the same person(s) who made the initial Adverse Determination. During the review, all information, documents, and other materials submitted relating to the claim will be considered, regardless of whether they were considered in making the previous claim decision. The Insured will not be allowed to attend, or have a representative attend, a First Level Review. The Insured may, however, submit written material for consideration by the reviewer(s).

## Grievance

When the Grievance is based in whole or in part on a medical judgment, the review will be conducted by, or in consultation with, a medical doctor with appropriate training and expertise to evaluate the matter.

Following our review of your Grievance, we must issue a written decision to you and, if applicable, to your representative or provider, within 20-days after receiving the Grievance. The written decision must include:

- (1) The name(s), title(s) and professional qualifications of any person(s) participating in the First Level Review process.
- (2) A statement of the reviewer's understanding of the Grievance.
- (3) The specific reason(s) for the reviewer's decision in clear terms and the contractual basis or medical rationale used as the basis for the decision in sufficient detail for the Insured to respond further to our position.
- (4) A reference to the evidence or documentation used as the basis for the decision.
- (5) If the claim denial is based on medical necessity, experimental treatment or similar exclusion, instructions for requesting an explanation of the scientific or clinical rationale used to make the determination.
- (6) A statement advising you of your right to request a Second Level Review, if applicable, and a description of the procedure and timeframes for requesting a Second Level Review.

### **Second Level Review**

The Second Level Review process is available if you are not satisfied with the outcome of the First level Review for an Adverse Determination. Within ten business days after receiving a request for a Second Level Review, we will advise you of the following:

- (1) the name, address, and telephone number of a person designated to coordinate the Grievance review for the Company;
- (2) a statement of your rights, including the right to:
  - attend the Second Level Review
  - present his/her case to the review panel;
  - submit supporting materials before and at the review meeting;
  - ask questions of any member of the review panel;
  - be assisted or represented by a person of his/her choice, including a provider, family member, employer representative, or attorney.
  - request and receive from us free of charge, copies of all relevant documents, records and other information that is not confidential or privileged that were considered in making the Adverse Determination.

We must convene a review panel and hold a review meeting within 45-days after receiving a request for a Second Level Review. We will notify you in writing of the meeting date at least 15-days prior to the date. The review meeting will be held during regular business hours at a location reasonable accessible to you. In cases where a face-to-face meeting is not practical for geographic reasons, we will offer you the opportunity to communicate with the review panel at our expense by conference call or other appropriate technology. Your right to a full review may not be conditioned on whether or not you appear at the meeting.

If you choose to be represented by an attorney, we may also be represented by an attorney. If we choose to have an attorney present to represent our interests, we will notify you at least 15 working days in advance of the review that an attorney will be present and that you may wish to obtain legal representation of your own.

The panel must be comprised of persons who:

- (1) were not previously involved in any matter giving rise to the Second Level Review;
- (2) are not employees of the Company or Utilization Review Organization; and
- (3) do not have a financial interest in the outcome of the review.

A person previously involved in the Grievance may appear before the panel to present information or answer questions.

All persons reviewing a Second Level Grievance involving a Utilization Review non-certification or a clinical issue will be providers who have appropriate expertise, including at least one clinical peer. If we use a clinical peer on an appeal of a Utilization Review non-certification or on a First Level Review, we may use one of our employees on the Second Level Review panel if the panel is comprised of 3 or more persons.

## Grievance

We must issue a written decision to you and, if applicable, to your representative or provider, within 10 business days after completing the review meeting. The decision must include:

- (1) the name(s), title(s) and qualifying credentials of the members of the review panel;
- (2) a statement of the review panel's understanding of the nature of the Grievance and all pertinent facts;
- (3) the review panel's recommendation to the Company and the rationale behind the recommendation;
- (4) a description of, or reference to, the evidence or documentation considered by the review panel in making the recommendation;
- (5) in the review of a Utilization Review non-certification or other clinical matter, a written statement of the clinical rationale, including the clinical review criteria, that was used by the review panel to make the determination;
- (6) the rationale for the Company's decision if it differs from the review panel's recommendation;
- (7) a statement that the decision is the Company's final determination in the matter;
- (8) notice of the availability of the Commissioner's office for assistance, including the telephone number and address of the Commissioner's office.

### **EXPEDITED REVIEW**

You are eligible for an expedited review when the timeframes for an Informal, formal First Level review or Second Level review would reasonably appear to seriously jeopardize your life or health, or your ability to regain maximum function. An expedited review is also available for all Grievances concerning an admission, availability of care, continued stay or health care service for a person who has received emergency services, but who has not been discharged from a facility.

A request for an expedited review may be submitted orally or in writing. An expedited review must be evaluated by an appropriate clinical peer in the same or similar specialty as would typically manage the case being reviewed. If we don't have the information necessary to decide an appeal, we will send you notification of precisely what is required within 24-hours of our receipt of your Grievance. All necessary information, including our decision, will be transmitted by telephone, facsimile, or the most expeditious method available. Provided we have enough information to make a decision, you, your authorized representative, or a provider acting on your behalf will be notified of the determination as expeditiously as the medical condition requires, but in no event more than 72-hours after the review has commenced. Written confirmation of our decision will be provided within 2 working business days of the decision and will contain the same items described in the written decision requirements for First Level reviews.

If the expedited review does not resolve the situation, you, your representative or a provider acting on your behalf may submit a written Grievance.

We will not provide an expedited review for retrospective reviews of Adverse Determinations.

If you are dissatisfied with the resolution reached through Our internal grievance system regarding medical necessity, you may contact the Director, Office of the Health Care Ombudsman and Bill of Rights at the following:

For Medical Necessity cases:

District of Columbia Department of Health Care Finance  
Office of the Health Care Ombudsman and Bill of Rights  
825 North Capital Street, N.E.  
6th Floor  
Washington, D.C. 20002  
1 (877) 685-6391  
Fax: (202) 478-1397

If you are dissatisfied with the resolution reached through Our internal grievance system regarding all other grievances, you may contact the Commissioner at the following:

For Non-Medical Necessity cases:

Ms. Gennet Purcell, Commissioner  
Department of Insurance, Securities and Banking  
810 First St. N.E., 7th Floor  
Washington, D.C. 20002  
202-727-8000  
Fax: (202) 354-1085

## **GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES**

**(Applicable to Residents of NEW HAMPSHIRE Only)**

When you submit a claim and that claim is denied, we will provide a written statement containing the reasons for the Adverse Determination. You have the right to request a review of any Company decision or action pertaining to our contractual relationship and to appeal any adverse claim determination we've made by filing a Grievance. These procedures have been developed to ensure a full investigation of a Grievance through a formal process.

### **DEFINITIONS**

A “**Grievance**” is a written complaint requesting a change to a previous claim decision, claims payment, the handling or reimbursement of health care services, or other matters pertaining to your coverage and our contractual relationship.

An “**Adverse Determination**” is a determination by the Company or its designated utilization review organization that (i) a service, treatment, drug, or device, is experimental, investigational, specifically limited or excluded by your coverage; or (ii) a facility admission, the availability of care, continued stay or other health care services proposed or furnished have been reviewed and, based upon the information provided, does not meet the contractual requirements for medical necessity, appropriateness, health care setting, level of care or effectiveness and therefore, the benefit coverage is denied, reduced or terminated in whole or in part.

### **INFORMAL GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE**

If you have a complaint about a claim denial, you, your authorized representative, or a provider acting on your behalf may call our [ Customer Services department at 1-800-xxx-xxxx] to informally resolve your complaint. Telephoning allows you to discuss your complaint or concerns and gives us the opportunity to further explain the issue or immediately resolve the problem.

If we don't have all the information necessary to review your complaint, we will request any additional information within 5-business days of receiving your complaint. After we receive all the necessary information, we will provide you, your authorized representative, or a provider acting on your behalf with our written decision within 15-days after receiving the complaint and all necessary information.

If the problem cannot be resolved in this manner, you still have the right to submit a written request for the complaint to be reviewed through the Formal Grievance Procedure, as outlined below.

### **FORMAL GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE**

In the event of an Adverse Determination, you, your authorized representative, or a provider acting on your behalf may submit a formal Grievance within 180-days following receipt of the Adverse Determination.

If you file a formal Grievance, you will have the opportunity to submit written comments, documents, records and other information you feel are relevant to the Grievance, regardless of whether those materials were considered in the initial Adverse Determination.

In the event you fail to submit all information needed to decide the appeal. We will notify you in writing of precisely what is required. You will have 45-days within which to respond to our request and provide sufficient information. If you fail to provide the necessary information within that timeframe, we may deny the appeal on the basis of incompleteness.

## **Internal First Level Review**

Within 3-working business days after receiving the Grievance, we must acknowledge the Grievance and provide you, your authorized representative or a provider with the name, address, and telephone number of the coordinator handling the Grievance and information on how to submit written material. The person(s) who reviews the Grievance will not be the same person(s) who made the initial Adverse Determination. During the review, all information, documents, and other materials submitted relating to the claim will be considered, regardless of whether they were considered in making the previous claim decision. The Insured will not be allowed to attend, or have a representative attend, an Internal First Level Review. The Insured may, however, submit written material for consideration by the reviewer(s).

When the Grievance is based in whole or in part on a medical judgment, the review will be conducted by, or in consultation with, a medical doctor with appropriate training and expertise to evaluate the matter.

Following our review of your Grievance, we must issue a written decision to you and, if applicable, to your representative or provider, within 30-days after receiving the Grievance. The written decision must include:

- (1) The name(s), title(s) and professional qualifications of any person(s) participating in the Internal First Level Review process.
- (2) A statement of the reviewer's understanding of the Grievance.
- (3) The specific reason(s) for the reviewer's decision in clear terms and the contractual basis or medical rationale used as the basis for the decision in sufficient detail for the Insured to respond further to our position.
- (4) A reference to the evidence or documentation used as the basis for the decision.
- (5) If the claim denial is based on medical necessity, experimental treatment or similar exclusion, instructions for requesting an explanation of the scientific or clinical rationale used to make the determination.
- (6) A statement advising you of your right to request an External Second Level Review, if applicable, and a description of the procedure and timeframes for requesting an External Second Level Review and options for bringing a legal action.

## **External Second Level Review**

The External Second Level Review process is available if you are not satisfied with the outcome of the Internal First Level Review for an Adverse Determination or if you have requested an Informal or Internal First Level Review and did not receive a decision from the Company within the time frames allowed for such reviews. Within 10-business days after receiving a request for an External Second Level Review, we or our designated utilization review organization will provide you and the selected independent review organization with the following:

- (1) The name, address, and telephone number of a person designated to coordinate the Grievance review for the Company;
- (2) A statement of your rights, including the right to:
  - Attend the External Second Level Review;
  - Present his/her case to the review panel;
  - Submit supporting materials before and at the review meeting;
  - Ask questions of any member of the review panel;
  - Be assisted or represented by a person of his/her choice, including a provider, family member, employer representative, or attorney;
  - Request and receive from us free of charge, copies of all relevant documents, records and other information that is not confidential or privileged that were considered in making the Adverse Determination;
- (3) A copy of your health insurance contract, evidence of coverage, benefit summary, or similar document;
- (4) All relevant medical records;

- (5) A summary of the applicable issues, including a statement of our final determination;
- (6) The clinical review criteria used and the clinical reasons for the determination;
- (7) Any communications between you and us regarding the Informal or Internal First Level Review; and
- (8) All other documents, information, or criteria relied upon by us in making our determination.

We will convene a review panel and hold a review meeting within 45-days after receiving a request for an External Second Level Review. We will notify you in writing of the meeting date at least 15-days prior to the date. The review meeting will be held during regular business hours at a location reasonable accessible to you. In cases where a face-to-face meeting is not practical for geographic reasons, we will offer you the opportunity to communicate with the review panel at our expense by conference call or other appropriate technology. Your right to a full review may not be conditioned on whether or not you appear at the meeting.

If you choose to be represented by an attorney, we may also be represented by an attorney. If we choose to have an attorney present to represent our interests, we will notify you at least 15-working days in advance of the review that an attorney will be present and that you may wish to obtain legal representation of your own.

The panel must be comprised of persons who:

- (1) Were not previously involved in any matter giving rise to the External Second Level Review;
- (2) Are not employees of the Company or Utilization Review Organization; and
- (3) Do not have a financial interest in the outcome of the review.

A person previously involved in the Grievance may appear before the panel to present information or answer questions.

All persons reviewing an External Second Level Grievance involving a Utilization Review non-certification or a clinical issue must be providers who have appropriate expertise, including at least one clinical peer. If we use a clinical peer on an appeal of a Utilization Review non-certification or on an Internal First Level Review, we may use one of our employees on the External Second Level Review panel if the panel is comprised of 3 or more persons.

A written statement of the External Second Level Review panel's decision will be issued to you and, if applicable, to your representative or provider, within 10-business days after completing the review meeting. The decision will include:

- (1) The name(s), title(s) and qualifying credentials of the members of the review panel;
- (2) A statement of the review panel's understanding of the nature of the Grievance and all pertinent facts;
- (3) The review panel's recommendation to the Company and the rationale behind the recommendation;
- (4) A description of, or reference to, the evidence or documentation considered by the review panel in making the recommendation;
- (5) In the review of a Utilization Review non-certification or other clinical matter, a written statement of the clinical rationale, including the clinical review criteria, that was used by the review panel to make the determination;
- (6) The rationale for the Company's decision if it differs from the review panel's recommendation;
- (7) A statement that the decision is the Company's final determination in the matter;
- (8) Notice of the availability of the Commissioner's office for assistance, including the telephone number and address of the Commissioner's office.

### **EXPEDITED REVIEW**

You are eligible for an expedited review when the timeframes for an Informal, Internal First Level Review or External Second Level Review would reasonably appear to seriously jeopardize your life or health, or your ability to regain maximum function. An expedited review is also available for all Grievances concerning an admission, availability of care, continued stay or health care service for a person who has received emergency services, but who has not been discharged from a facility.

A request for an expedited review may be submitted orally or in writing. An expedited review must be evaluated by an appropriate clinical peer in the same or similar specialty as would typically manage the case being reviewed. If we don't have the information necessary to decide an appeal, we will send you notification of precisely what is required within 24-hours of our receipt of your Grievance. All necessary information, including our decision, will be transmitted by telephone, facsimile, or the most expeditious method available. Provided we have enough information to make a decision, you, your authorized representative, or a provider acting on your behalf will be notified of the determination as expeditiously as the medical condition requires, but in no event more than 72-hours after the review has commenced. Written confirmation of our decision will be provided within 2-working business days of the decision and will contain the same items described in the written decision requirements for an Internal First Level Review.

If the expedited review does not resolve the situation, you, your representative or a provider acting on your behalf may submit a written Grievance.

We will not provide an expedited review for retrospective review of Adverse Determinations.

**You and your plan may have other voluntary alternative dispute resolution options, such as mediation. One way to find out what may be available is to read your policy carefully, or contact your local U.S. Department of Labor Office, or the New Hampshire Department of Insurance.**

**The New Hampshire Insurance Department is available to assist you with insurance related problems and questions. You may inquire:**

**By writing to: NH Insurance Department  
21 South Fruit Street  
Concord, NH 03301-7317**

**By telephone: 603-271-2261, direct or toll-free at 1-800-852-3416**

When used throughout this document “Company”, “Our”, “We”, or “Us” means

## **United States Fire Insurance Company**

### **GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES**

When you submit a claim and that claim is denied, we will provide a written statement containing the reasons for the Adverse Determination. You have the right to request a review of any Company decision or action pertaining to our contractual relationship and to appeal any adverse claim determination we've made by filing a Grievance. These procedures have been developed to ensure a full investigation of a Grievance through a formal process.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

A “**Grievance**” is a written complaint requesting a change to a previous claim decision, claims payment, the handling or reimbursement of health care services, or other matters pertaining to your coverage and our contractual relationship.

An “**Adverse Determination**” is a determination by the Company or its designated utilization review organization that (i) a service, treatment, drug, or device, is experimental, investigational, specifically limited or excluded by your coverage; or (ii) a facility admission, the availability of care, continued stay or other health care services proposed or furnished have been reviewed and, based upon the information provided, does not meet the contractual requirements for medical necessity, appropriateness, health care setting, level of care or effectiveness and therefore, the benefit coverage is denied, reduced or terminated in whole or in part.

#### **INFORMAL GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE**

You, your authorized representative, or a provider acting on your behalf may submit an oral complaint to us within 60 days after an event that causes a dispute. Telephoning allows you to discuss your complaint or concerns and gives us the opportunity to immediately resolve the problem.

If we don't have all the information necessary to review your complaint, we will request any additional information within 5 business days of receiving your complaint. After we receive all the necessary information, we will provide you, your authorized representative, or a provider acting on your behalf with our written decision within 30 days after receiving the complaint and all necessary information.

If the problem cannot be resolved in this manner, you still have the right to submit a written request for the complaint to be reviewed through the Formal Grievance Procedure, as outlined below.

#### **FORMAL GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE**

A formal Grievance may be submitted by you, your authorized representative, or in the event of an Adverse Determination, by a provider acting on your behalf.

If you file a formal Grievance, you will have the opportunity to submit written comments, documents, records and other information you feel are relevant to the Grievance, regardless of whether those materials were considered in the initial Adverse Determination.

#### **First Level Review**

Within 3 working business days after receiving the Grievance, we must acknowledge the Grievance and provide you, your authorized representative or a provider with the name, address, and telephone number of the coordinator handling the Grievance and information on how to submit written material. The person(s) who reviews the Grievance will not be the same person(s) who made the initial Adverse Determination. During the review, all information, documents, and other materials submitted relating to the claim will be considered, regardless of whether they were considered in making the previous claim decision. The Insured will not be allowed to attend, or have a representative attend, a First Level Review. The Insured may, however, submit written material for consideration by the reviewer(s).

When the Grievance is based in whole or in part on a medical judgment, the review will be conducted by, or in consultation with, a medical doctor with appropriate training and expertise to evaluate the matter.

Following our review of your Grievance, we must issue a written decision to you and, if applicable, to your representative or provider, within 20 days after receiving the Grievance. The written decision must include:

#### **Grievance**

- (1) The name(s), title(s) and professional qualifications of any person(s) participating in the First Level Review process.
- (2) A statement of the reviewer's understanding of the Grievance.
- (3) The specific reason(s) for the reviewer's decision in clear terms and the contractual basis or medical rationale used as the basis for the decision in sufficient detail for the Insured to respond further to our position.
- (4) A reference to the evidence or documentation used as the basis for the decision.
- (5) If the claim denial is based on medical necessity, experimental treatment or similar exclusion, instructions for requesting an explanation of the scientific or clinical rationale used to make the determination.
- (6) A statement advising you of your right to request a Second Level Review, if applicable, and a description of the procedure and timeframes for requesting a Second Level Review.

## **Second Level Review**

The Second Level Review process is available if you are not satisfied with the outcome of the First Level Review for an Adverse Determination. Within 10 business days after receiving a request for a Second Level Review, we will advise you of the following:

- (1) The name, address, and telephone number of a person designated to coordinate the Grievance Review for the Company.
- (2) A statement of your rights, including the right to:
  - Attend the Second Level Review.
  - Present his/her case to the review panel.
  - Submit supporting materials before and at the review meeting.
  - Ask questions of any member of the review panel.
  - Be assisted or represented by a person of his/her choice, including a provider, family member, employer representative, or attorney.
  - Request and receive from us free of charge, copies of all relevant documents, records and other information that is not confidential or privileged that were considered in making the Adverse Determination.

We must convene a review panel and hold a review meeting within 45 days after receiving a request for a Second Level Review. We will notify you in writing of the meeting date at least 15 days prior to the date. The review meeting will be held during regular business hours at a location reasonably accessible to you. In cases where a face-to-face meeting is not practical for geographical reasons, we will offer you the opportunity to communicate with the review panel at our expense by conference call or other appropriate technology. Your right to a full review may not be conditioned on whether or not you appear at the meeting.

If you choose to be represented by an attorney, we may also be represented by an attorney. If we choose to have an attorney present to represent our interests, we will notify you at least 15 working days in advance of the review that an attorney will be present and that you may wish to obtain legal representation of your own.

The panel must be comprised of persons who:

- (1) Were not previously involved in any matter giving rise to the Second Level Review;
- (2) Are not employees of the Company or Utilization Review Organization; and
- (3) Do not have a financial interest in the outcome of the review.

A person previously involved in the Grievance may appear before the panel to present information or answer questions.

All persons reviewing a Second Level Grievance involving a Utilization Review non-certification or a clinical issue will be providers who have appropriate expertise, including at least one clinical peer. If we use a clinical peer on an appeal of a Utilization Review non-certification or on a First Level Review, we may use one of our employees on the Second Level Review panel if the panel is comprised of 3 or more persons.

We must issue a written decision to you and, if applicable, to your representative or provider, within 10 business days after completing the review meeting. The decision must include:

- (1) The name(s), title(s) and qualifying credentials of the members of the review panel.
- (2) A statement of the review panel's understanding of the nature of the Grievance and all pertinent facts.
- (3) The review panel's recommendation to the Company and the rationale behind the recommendation.
- (4) A description of, or reference to, the evidence or documentation considered by the review panel in making the recommendation.

## **Grievance**

- (5) In the review of a Utilization Review non-certification or other clinical matter, a written statement of the clinical rationale, including the clinical review criteria, that was used by the review panel to make the determination.
- (6) The rationale for the Company's decision if it differs from the review panel's recommendation.
- (7) A statement that the decision is the Company's final determination in the matter.
- (8) Notice of the availability of the Commissioner's office for assistance, including the telephone number and address of the Commissioner's office.

### **EXPEDITED REVIEW**

You are eligible for an expedited review when the time frames for an Informal, formal First Level Review or Second Level Review would reasonably appear to seriously jeopardize your life or health, or your ability to regain maximum function. An expedited review is also available for all Grievances concerning an admission, availability of care, continued stay or health care service for a person who has received emergency services, but who has not been discharged from a facility.

A request for an expedited review may be submitted orally or in writing. An expedited review must be evaluated by an appropriate clinical peer in the same or similar specialty as would typically manage the case being reviewed. If we don't have the information necessary to decide an appeal, we will send you notification of precisely what is required within 24 hours of our receipt of your Grievance. All necessary information, including our decision, will be transmitted by telephone, facsimile, or the most expeditious method available. Provided we have enough information to make a decision, you, your authorized representative, or a provider acting on your behalf will be notified of the determination as expeditiously as the medical condition requires, but in no event more than 72 hours after the review has commenced. Written communication of our decision will be provided within 2 working business days of the decision and will contain the same items described in the written decision requirements for First Level Reviews.

If the expedited review does not resolve the situation, you, your representative or a provider acting on your behalf may submit a written Grievance.

We will not provide an expedited review for retrospective reviews of Adverse Determinations.

When used throughout this document “The Company”, “Our”, “We”, or “Us” means:

**United States Fire Insurance Company**

---

**PRIVACY POLICY AND PRACTICES**

The Company values your business and your trust. In order to administer insurance policies and provide you with effective customer service, we must collect certain information about our customers. We want you to know that we are committed to protecting your private information and we will comply with all federal and state privacy laws. Below is a Privacy Notice describing our policy regarding the collection and disclosure of personal information. Please review this Notice and keep a copy of it with your records.

**Your Privacy is Our Concern**

When you apply to The Company for insurance or make a claim against a policy written by The Company, you disclose information about yourself to us. There are legal requirements governing the collection, use, and disclosure of such information. The Company maintains physical, electronic, and procedural safeguards that comply with state and federal regulations to guard your personal information. We also limit employee access to personally identifiable information to those with a business reason for knowing such information. The Company instructs our employees as to the importance of the confidentiality of personal information, and takes measures to enforce employee privacy responsibilities.

**What kind of information do we collect about you and from whom?**

We obtain most of our information from you. The application or claim form you complete, as well as any additional information you provide, generally gives us most of the information we need to know. Sometimes we may contact you by phone or mail to obtain additional information. We may use information about you from other transactions with us, our affiliates, or others. Depending on the nature of your insurance transaction, we may need additional information about you or other individuals proposed for coverage. We may obtain the additional information we need from third parties, such as other insurance companies or agents, government agencies, medical personnel, the state motor vehicle department, information clearinghouses, credit reporting agencies, courts, or public records. A report from a consumer reporting agency may contain information as to creditworthiness, credit standing, credit capacity, character, general reputation, hobbies, occupation, personal characteristics, or mode of living.

**What do we do with the information collected about you?**

If coverage is declined or the charge for coverage is increased because of information contained in a consumer report we obtained, we will inform you, as required by state law or the federal Fair Credit Reporting Act. We will also give you the name and address of the consumer reporting agency making the report. We may retain information about our former customers and may disclose that information to affiliates and non-affiliates only as described in this notice.

**To whom do we disclose information about you?**

We may disclose all the information that we collect about you, as described above. We may disclose such information about you to our affiliated companies, such as:

- Insurance companies;
- Insurance agencies;
- Third party administrators;
- Medical bill review companies; and
- Reinsurance companies.

We may also disclose nonpublic personal information about you to affiliated and nonaffiliated third parties as permitted by law. You have a right to access and correct the personal information we collect, maintain, and disclose about you.

**How to contact Us**

You may obtain a more detailed description of the information practices prescribed by law by contacting us at the address below. Remember to include your name, address, policy number, and daytime phone number.

Privacy Policy Coordinator  
Crum & Forster A&H Division  
5 Christopher Way, 2nd Floor  
Eatontown, New Jersey 07724

## Disclosure Notice:

This plan provides insurance coverage that only applies during the covered trip. You may have coverage from other sources that provides you with similar benefits but may be subject to different restrictions depending upon your other coverages. You may wish to compare the terms of this policy with your existing life, health, home, and automobile insurance policies. If you have any questions about your current coverage, call your insurer or insurance agent or broker.

Purchasing travel insurance is not required in order to purchase any other products or services offered by the Travel Retailer.

### What A Travel Retailer May Do:

Employees of a Travel Retailer may transact Travel Insurance on our behalf and under our direction, including:

1. Offering/disseminating information on our behalf, including brochures, buyer guides, descriptions of coverage, and price;
2. Referring specific coverage/feature/benefit questions to us;
3. Disseminating/processing applications for coverage, coverage selection forms, or other similar forms;
4. Collecting premiums on our behalf;
5. Receiving/recording information to share with us;

### What A Travel Retailer May Not Do:

The Travel Retailer's employees:

1. are not qualified or authorized to answer technical questions about the benefits, exclusions or conditions of any of the insurance offered by the Travel Retailer; or
2. to evaluate the adequacy of a prospective insured's existing insurance coverage.

### Definitions

**"Travel Insurance"** means coverage for personal risks incidental to planned travel, including one or more of the following:

- Interruption or cancellation of a trip or event;
- Loss of baggage or personal effects;
- Damage to accommodations or rental vehicles; or
- Sickness, accident, disability, or death occurring during travel.

The following are excluded from the definition of Travel Insurance: Major medical plans, which provide comprehensive medical protection for travelers on trips lasting 6 months or longer (e.g. working overseas, deployed military personnel, etc.). In some States, Damage waiver contracts that are part of a rental company's agreement. The phrase "damage waiver" or "collision damage waiver" cannot be used to describe travel insurance coverage, but the travel insurance contract may otherwise refer to "damage waiver" or "collision damage waiver" provided by a rental company.

**"We, Us or Our"** means Specialty Insurance Solutions.

**DISCLOSURE TO CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS: [1754(a)(7) & (8)]**

1. Purchasing travel insurance is not required in order to purchase any other product or service offered by the travel retailer.
2. Your travel retailer may not be licensed to sell insurance, and is therefore not qualified or authorized to:
  - a. Answer technical questions about the benefits, exclusions, and conditions of any of the insurance offered by the travel retailer.
  - b. Evaluate the adequacy of your existing insurance coverage.

This plan provides insurance coverage that only applies during the covered trip. You may have coverage from other sources that provide you with similar benefits but may be subject to different restrictions depending upon your other coverages. You may wish to compare the terms of this policy with your existing life, health, home and automobile insurance policies. If you have any questions about your current coverage, call your insurer or insurance agent or broker.

**DISCLOSURE TO DELAWARE RESIDENTS: [1772(2)a.7.]**

The insurance coverage may duplicate existing coverages you may have. You may wish to compare the terms of this policy with your existing life, health, home and automobile policies, and other sources of protection.

**DISCLOSURE TO MARYLAND RESIDENTS: [10-122 (d)(1)(ii)(4)]**

This insurance coverage may duplicate certain provisions of insurance coverage already provided by your homeowner's, renter's or similar coverages or insurances, and that the purchase of travel insurance would make travel insurance primary to any other duplicate or similar coverage.