# Policy Conditions Domestic Helper Insurance

# Your policy

This is your domestic helper insurance policy and it contains details of benefits, conditions and exclusions relating to you and the domestic helper you employ. The policy will form the basis on which all claims will be settled. It is only valid if you have paid the appropriate premium in full and we have issued you with a schedule.

Any statement, information or declaration **you** have given on behalf of **your domestic helper**, including any declaration made over the phone, by fax, email or the internet at the time of application, will form the basis of the contract.

The **schedule** and any further endorsements are all part of the **policy**.

Please keep this document in case **you** need to refer to it.

# Who is eligible?

This policy is only available to you if you:

- are living in Singapore;
- employ a domestic helper and she will be holding a valid work permit issued by Singapore's Ministry of Manpower (MOM); and
- have fully paid your premium.

# Things to remember

- You must reveal all facts you know or ought to know which may affect the insurance cover being applied for. Otherwise, your policy may not be valid.
- We do not pay claims arising from pre-existing medical conditions during your domestic helper's first year of stay in Singapore.

# **Definitions**

**Accident** or **accidental** means a sudden, unforeseen and unexpected event that result in death or permanent disability of **your domestic helper** which happens during the **period of insurance** and which must be the only cause of **injury**.

Act of terrorism means any act or threat of force or violence or a combination of both by any person, groups or organisation acting alone or in connection with any person, groups or organisation(s) or government committed for political, religious, ideological or similar purposes with the intention to influence any government and/or to put the public in fear. Robberies or other criminal acts mainly committed for personal gain and acts arising mainly as a result of personal relationships will not be considered as an act of terrorism.

Act of terrorism also includes any act which is confirmed by the relevant government as an act of terrorism. Using nuclear, chemical or biological substances or weapons as a means of force or violence will also be considered an act of terrorism.

**Aggravated damages** means extra damages which are awarded to compensate a person making a claim because they have suffered hurt feelings or loss of dignity as the result of the way in which the person responsible for the claim behaved.

**Basic limit** means the annual minimum coverage of \$60,000 under section 7 - Hospital and surgical expenses that **you** as an employer is required to buy and maintain for **your domestic helper** as prescribed by the Singapore Ministry of Manpower at the start of **your policy**, where any claims amounts above the first \$15,000 are subject to a **co-payment** unless Section 11-Waiver of co-payment applies.

Change of hospital and surgical expenses benefit limit means the increase or decrease of the hospital and surgical benefit limit under your policy. The increased or decreased hospital and surgical benefit limit shall not be lower than the basic limit.

**Chinese medicine practitioner** means a legally licensed herbalist, acupuncturist or bone-setter who is registered and can practise within the scope of their licence under the laws of the country. This cannot be **you**, **your family** 

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**member**, partner, business partner, employer, employee or agent.

**Chiropractor** means a legally licensed practitioner in chiropractic medicine who is registered and can practise within the scope of their licence under the laws of the country. This cannot be **you**, **your family member**, partner, business partner, employer, employee or agent.

**Co-payment** means the percentage of the claim amount that **you** will need to pay as shown in the **schedule** for a claim under section 7 - Hospital and surgical expenses.

**COVID-19 cover** means the payment of inpatient medical expenses as provided under section 7(j) specifically for the treatment of COVID-19 which **your domestic helper** is diagnosed with and **hospitalised** for.

**Dental treatment** means treatment needed to restore sound and natural teeth and which is necessary because of an **accident**.

**Domestic helper** means the insured person named in the **policy** and who **you** employ as a foreign domestic worker and who holds a valid work permit issued by Singapore's Ministry of Manpower.

**Emergency** means an unexpected event which affects the **domestic helper's** health and she needs immediate medical treatment to prevent death or serious immediate or long-term health problems. This must be confirmed by a **medical practitioner**.

**Exemplary damages** means extra damages awarded to make an example of the person who was responsible for the claim so that it will put off other people from doing the same.

**Excess** means the amount which **you** must pay when a claim is made.

Family member means your husband or wife, children, parents, brothers and sisters, parents-in-law, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, grandparents, grandparents-in-law, daughters-in-law, sons-in-law or grandchildren.

**General practitioner** means any person registered and legally qualified by a medical degree in western medicine and authorised by the medical licensing authority of that country to provide general medical care. This should cover a variety of medical problems in patients of all ages. This often includes referring patients to an appropriate **specialist**. This person should not be **you**, **your family member**, partner, business partner, employer, employee or agent.

**Home country** means any country of which **your domestic helper** is a citizen.

**Hospital** means an establishment which is registered under the national laws and regulations which apply to care for and treat sick and injured people as bed-paying patients and which:

- has organised facilities for diagnosis, treatment and major surgery;
- provides nursing services by registered nurses 24 hours a day;
- is under the supervision of one or more medical practitioners; and
- is not mainly a clinic, a secure place to care for alcoholics or drug addicts, a nursing or rest or convalescent home or a home for the elderly or similar establishment.

**Injury** means damage or harm caused to the body during the **period of insurance** and which is caused only by an **accident**.

**Losing** means permanent and total loss of use or loss by having part of the body (as listed in the scale of compensation table) cut or torn off, as certified by **our medical practitioner**.

**Losing hearing** means permanent and total loss of hearing, as confirmed by **our medical practitioner**.

**Losing a limb** means permanent and total loss of use or by having a hand cut or torn off at or above the wrist or a foot at or above the ankle, as confirmed by **our medical practitioner**.

Losing sight means permanent and total loss of use of an eye which means your domestic helper is absolutely blind in that eye and which is beyond cure either by surgical or other treatment. This must be confirmed by our medical practitioner.

**Losing speech** means permanent and total loss of the ability to speak and which is beyond cure either by surgical or other treatment, as confirmed by **our medical practitioner**.

Medical practitioner means any person registered and legally qualified as a doctor by a medical degree in western medicine and authorised by the medical licensing authority of that country to provide medical or surgical services within the scope of their licence and training. The medical practitioner cannot be you, your family member, partner, business partner, employer, employee or agent.

Overseas means any country outside Singapore.

**Period of insurance** means the period of cover as shown in the **schedule**.

**Permanent disability** or **permanently disabled** means suffering from one of the items of disability listed in the

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scale of compensation table in this **policy**, and which was caused only by an **accident**, as long as:

- the disability lasts for 12 months in a row from the date of the accident; and
- our medical practitioner confirms that it is not going to improve after 12 months.

**Permanent total disability** means disability caused only by an **accident** that:

- stops your domestic helper from working in any job for a salary or wage or stops her from carrying out any business whatsoever;
- lasts for 12 months in a row from the date of the accident; and
- our medical practitioner confirms is not going to improve after 12 months.

**Policy** means this document, including any information provided or declaration made by **you** for and on behalf of **your domestic helper**, the **schedule** and any endorsement **we** have issued under this **policy**.

**Policyholder** means the person named as the employer in the **domestic helper's** work permit and as named in the **schedule**.

**Pre-existing medical condition** means any **injury** or **sickness**, including any complications which may arise:

- a which you or your domestic helper knew or should reasonably know about, including symptoms which existed, before the start of the policy or before you purchased the top-up of the hospital and surgical expenses benefit limit, whichever is applicable;
- b which your domestic helper has received diagnosis, consultation, medical treatment or prescribed drugs for within the 12 months, before the start of the policy or before you purchased the top-up of the hospital and surgical expenses benefit limit, whichever is applicable; or
- c for which your domestic helper has been asked to get medical treatment or medical advice by a medical practitioner within 12 months, before the start of the policy or before you purchased the top-up of the hospital and surgical expenses benefit limit, whichever is applicable.

**Prohibited person** means a person or entity who is, or who is **related** to a person or entity:

- a subject to laws, regulations or sanctions administered by any inter-government, government, regulatory or law enforcement authorities of any country, which will prohibit or restrict us from providing insurance or carrying out any transaction under this policy, or
- b who is involved in any terrorist or illegal activities or placed on sanctions listing or issued with freezing order.

**Punitive damages** means extra damages which are awarded to punish the person responsible for the claim because of their behaviour.

**Related** includes relationships such as parent, step-parent, child, step-child, adopted child, spouse, sibling, step-sibling, adopted sibling, parent-in-law, child-in-law, sibling-in-law, cousin, uncle, aunt, grandparents, niece, nephew, grandchild, employee, employer, associate, parent company, subsidiary and shareholder.

Relevant person includes persons and entities such as the policyholder, insured person, trustee, settlor, beneficiary, assignee, nominee, payee, mortgagee, financier of the application/policy, and in relation to an entity, its director, partner, manager, person having executive authority, authorised signatory, shareholder or beneficial owner.

**Schedule** means the document which proves that **you** have the insurance cover. It will list, among other things, details of **you** and **your domestic helper**, the benefits, the sum insured and the **period of insurance** covered under this **policy**.

Serious injury or serious sickness means long-term suffering of an injury or sickness which means your domestic helper will be unable to carry out her work as a foreign domestic worker during the period of insurance.

**Sickness** means worsening physical health not caused by an **accident**, for which **your domestic helper** needs the care or treatment of a **medical practitioner** during the **period of insurance**.

**Specialist** means a **medical practitioner** who has the necessary qualifications and expertise to practise as a recognised **specialist** of diagnostic techniques, advise medicine like psychiatry, neurology, paediatrics, endocrinology, obstetrics, gynaecology, orthopaedic, optometry and dermatology.

**Restructured hospital** means public, government **hospitals** in Singapore that are wholly owned by the government.

We, our, us, and Income means Income Insurance Limited.

You, your and yours means the policyholder named in the schedule.

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# What your policy covers

This **policy** will protect **you** or **your domestic helper** financially when a death, **injury**, **sickness**, legal liability or other specified event happens during the **period of insurance** and while **your domestic helper** is performing the customary duty of a domestic worker as per MOM's work permit guidelines.

The amount **we** will pay depends on the conditions and maximum benefit limits and sub-limits as set out in the **schedule**.

# Section 1 - Accidental death and permanent disability

- a If your domestic helper is involved in an accident which causes her an injury and this alone leads to her death or permanent disability within 12 months from the date of the accident, the accidental death and permanent disability cover will apply.
- b We will pay your domestic helper, her estate or her legal personal representative up to the maximum amount shown in section 1 of the schedule using the scale of compensation table as shown below.
- c We will reduce any compensation due for accidental death by any compensation which we have already paid your domestic helper under the scale of compensation within the same policy period for any one accident.
- d We will not pay your domestic helper extra compensation for any specific item which is part of a greater item due under this policy. For example, we will pay your domestic helper for losing her upper limb but we will not also pay her for losing her finger or thumb.
- e We will cover your domestic helper; starting from the date your domestic helper arrives in Singapore directly for your employment or from the date her new work permit is effective for the purpose of her employment with you when your domestic helper is transferred to your employment, to the date she leaves Singapore upon completion of her employment with you, or in the case where your domestic helper is changing to a new employer to the date her new work permit is effective for purpose of her employment with her subsequent employer.

#### Scale of compensation

Item	Description of disability	Percentage of sum insured as shown under section 1 in the schedule
a	Accidental death	100%
b	Permanent total disability	100%
С	Losing sight of both eyes	100%
d	Losing two limbs	100%
е	Losing sight of one eye, but still able to perceive light	50%
f	Losing one limb	50%
g	Losing speech	50%
h	Losing hearing in both ears	50%
i	<b>Losing</b> four fingers and thumb of one hand	50%
j	Losing four fingers of one hand	40%
k	Losing hearing in one ear	20%
I	Losing a thumb - 2 phalanges	25% 10%
m	- 1 phalanx  Losing one index finger - 3 phalanges - 2 phalanges - 1 phalanx	15% 10% 5%
n	Losing any one other finger - 3 phalanges - 2 phalanges - 1 phalanx	10% 7% 3%
0	Losing metacarpals - first or second - third, fourth or fifth	3% 2%
р	Losing all toes of one foot	15%
q	Losing a great toe - 2 phalanges - 1 phalanx	5% 3%
r	Losing any one other toe	3%

If your domestic helper suffers a permanent disability which is not mentioned above, we will, after consulting our medical practitioner, pay a percentage of the sum insured which is consistent with the scale mentioned above. We will not pay any benefit for losing sense of taste or smell.

The total of all percentages of the sum insured due under this section will not be more than 100% during any one **policy** period.

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# What we do not pay under section 1

Besides the general exclusions listed in part 3 of the general conditions, **we** will also not pay under Section 1 if:

- 1 the permanent disability or death is caused directly or indirectly by sickness. For example, we will not pay a claim if your domestic helper dies from a heart attack or a stroke.
- 2 the permanent disability or death is caused directly or indirectly by any physical disability which existed before the start of the policy.

# Section 2 - Outpatient medical expenses due to injury

- a If your domestic helper suffers an injury and needs outpatient medical treatment, we will pay for the necessary and reasonable costs of outpatient medical expenses recommended or asked for by a medical practitioner for your domestic helper to be treated. This applies up to 12 months from the date of the accident for each accident or up to the limit shown in the schedule, whichever comes first.
- We will also pay for the reasonable and necessary expenses for treatment by a Chinese medicine practitioner or chiropractor within 12 months from the date of the accident, up to \$100 for each accident.
- **c** The most **we** will pay is shown in the **schedule**.
- d So that we can pay the claim, you must provide a written report of your domestic helper's medical condition from the medical practitioner together with original medical bills and receipts. You will have to pay any costs involved in providing this report.

# What we do not pay under section 2

Besides the general exclusions listed in part 3 of the general conditions, **we** will also not pay under Section 2 if:

- 1 your domestic helper travels overseas for the purpose of getting medical treatment.
- the claim is made as a result of you or your family member's wilful, criminal or negligent act.

# Section 3 - Domestic helper's personal liability

We will pay the benefits shown below if, during the period of insurance, your domestic helper is legally responsible for accidentally:

- a injuring someone; or
- **b** damaging or causing loss to someone else's property while performing her duties as a foreign domestic helper in Singapore.

### We will pay:

- a the legal costs and expenses for representing or defending your domestic helper; or
- b the amount awarded against your domestic helper by the court in Singapore, up to the maximum amount as shown in the relevant section of the schedule.

# What we do not pay under section 3

Besides the general exclusions listed in part 3 of the general conditions, **we** will also not pay under section 3 for the following, or for loss or liability directly or indirectly caused by the following.

- Any claim due to you or your domestic helper's deliberate, malicious, unlawful or criminal act or failure to act.
- 2 Any claim for loss of or damage to property which you or a family member own, are in charge of or under your or their control.
- **3** Expenses for legal services which **we** have not agreed to beforehand.
- 4 Any legal responsibility that comes from an injury or loss or damage to property that you or your family member owns, cares for or controls.
- 5 Any legal responsibility, injury, loss or damage which applies to your family member or member of your household.
- 6 Any legal responsibility that results from you owning or your domestic helper using weaponry, vehicles, aircraft or watercraft.
- 7 Any legal responsibility that results from the animals you own or which are under your care or custody.
- **8** Any court judgment which is not in the first instance delivered by a court within Singapore.
- 9 Any court judgment which **your domestic helper** is appealing or is being appealed on her behalf.
- **10** Any legal responsibility that results from **your domestic helper** passing on disease to others.
- **11** Any legal responsibility that results from **your domestic helper's** abuse of controlled drugs.
- 12 Any legal responsibility that results when your domestic helper is under the influence of alcohol or drugs or solvents.
- 13 Any legal responsibility that is caused by your domestic helper's involvement with polluting or harming the environment.

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- 14 Any claim for punitive, aggravated or exemplary damages.
- **15 Your** liability which applies under an agreement which would not apply if the agreement did not exist.

# Section 4 - Special grant due to death

If your domestic helper dies (including committing suicide), we will pay a special grant to her estate or legal representative, up to the limit shown in the relevant section of the schedule. So that we can pay the claim, you must provide your domestic helper's death certificate. You will have to pay any costs for doing so.

# Section 5 - Expenses if you have to stop employing your domestic helper

We will pay for the expenses charged by the employment agency for the termination of your domestic helper when you stop employing your domestic helper because she is suffering from a serious sickness or serious injury. So that we can pay the claim, you must provide proper confirmation from a medical practitioner. You will have to pay the costs involved in doing this.

# What we do not pay under section 5

Besides the general exclusions listed in part 3 of the general conditions, **we** will also not pay under Section 5 if:

the claim is made as a result of you or your family member's wilful, criminal or negligent act.

# **Section 6 - Wages compensation**

- a We will pay you your domestic helper's wages (including government levy on foreign domestic workers) for the period when she is in hospital (including hospitalisation leave granted by a medical practitioner) if you have not had domestic services carried out because your domestic helper is in hospital.
- b So that we can pay this benefit, you must be eligible to claim under section 7 - Hospital and surgical expenses.
- **c We** will pay up to the maximum amount as shown in the relevant section of the **schedule**, up to a period of 30 days for each **accident** or **sickness**.

#### What we do not pay under section 6

Besides the general exclusions listed in part 3 of the general conditions, **we** will also not pay under Section 6 if:

the claim is made as a result of you or your family member's wilful, criminal or negligent act.

# **Section 7 - Hospital and surgical expenses**

- If your domestic helper suffers an injury or sickness and needs to stay in hospital while in Singapore or needs to go into hospital as an emergency while she is overseas, we will pay for the necessary and reasonable hospital and surgical expenses (including day surgery) which she incurs during the period of insurance, recommended or asked for by a medical practitioner for your domestic helper to be treated in a hospital up to the limit shown in the schedule. We will deduct the applicable copayment before a payment under this section is made by us.
- **b** The **hospital** and surgical expenses will include the following.
  - 1 Room and board charges (including in an intensive care unit (ICU)).
  - 2 The necessary and reasonable costs of medical treatment by a specialist, only if specialist medical treatment is considered necessary and has been referred by a general practitioner (apart from dental treatment).
  - **3** Other **hospital** services, which include:
    - using an operating room;
    - drugs and medicine prescribed by a medical practitioner while your domestic helper is in the hospital as an inpatient;
    - dressings, ordinary splints and plaster casts;
    - laboratory examinations which are medically necessary;
    - electrocardiograms;
    - basal metabolism tests;
    - physical therapy;
    - anaesthesia and oxygen;
    - X-ray examinations;
    - intravenous drugs and liquids; and
    - giving blood plasma, but not the cost of the blood plasma itself.
    - any other costs certified as necessary by a registered **medical practitioner**.
  - 4 Fees for surgery or day surgery performed by a medical practitioner.
  - Pre-hospitalisation treatment within 60 days before being admitted as an inpatient or day surgery which is recommended by a **medical practitioner** to treat an **injury** or a **sickness**,

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- only if we pay the hospitalisation claim under the **policy**. We will only pay for prehospitalisation treatment occurring during the **period of insurance**.
- 6 Post-hospitalisation treatment within 60 days after your domestic helper leaves hospital for follow-ups as an outpatient for the same injury or sickness which your domestic helper was in hospital for. We will only pay for posthospitalisation treatment occurring during the period of insurance.
- c So that we can pay the claim, you must provide a written report of your domestic helper's medical condition from the medical practitioner together with original medical bills and receipts. You will have to pay any costs involved in providing this report.
- d Your domestic helper may stay in a restructured hospital in a standard class-C ward, or class-B2 ward if the class-C ward is not available. If your domestic helper is admitted to a ward better than class C or B2, we will apply the relevant 'pro ration factor' table shown below in section 7(h) to the hospital and surgical expenses being claimed. This means that we will reduce the benefits we will pay by multiplying the relevant 'pro ration factor' against the expenses being claimed.
- e We may provide a letter of guarantee if your domestic helper is hospitalised in a restructured hospital in Singapore. If we provide a hospital guarantee to the restructured hospital, we will pay the hospital and surgical expenses directly to the restructured hospital; up to the limit stated in the schedule and subject to the policy terms and conditions. You will only be responsible for the amount that is not covered by the policy.
- f For day surgery performed in a Singapore private hospital or in any hospital outside Singapore, we will also apply the relevant 'pro ration factor' table shown below in section 7(h) to the day surgery fees being claimed. This means that we will reduce the benefits we will pay by multiplying the relevant 'pro ration factor' against the expenses being claimed.
- g For emergency hospitalisation outside Singapore, we will apply the relevant 'pro ration factor' table shown below in section 7(h) to the hospital and surgical expenses being claimed. This means we will reduce the benefits we will pay by multiplying the relevant 'pro ration factor' against the expenses being claimed.

h 'Pro ration factor' table

	Type of Ward	Percentage (%)	
Type of hospital		For inpatient	For day surgery
Singapore private hospital	All	40%	40%
Any hospital outside Singapore	All	50%	50%
Restructured	A1	50%	
<b>hospital</b> in	A2	60%	Not applicable
Singapore	B1	70%	аррисавіс

- i If there is a change of hospital and surgical expenses benefit limit made by you and your domestic helper had been working as a foreign domestic worker in Singapore for more than 12 months in a row:
  - We will pay under this section 7 for hospital and surgical expenses which your domestic helper incurs during the period of insurance up to the limit shown in the schedule; or
  - 2 If the hospital and surgical expenses which your domestic helper incurs during the period of insurance arises from a pre-existing medical condition, the following applies:
    - i) For pre-existing medical condition that first occurred before the start of your domestic helper's first domestic helper insurance policy issued by us, we will pay under this section 7 for hospital and surgical expenses; up to the basic limit.

Example 1:

Example	1:
1 May 2023	Diagnosed with asthma.
1 Jul 2023	First domestic helper insurance issued by <b>us</b> for <b>your domestic helper</b> .
	Hospital and surgical expenses benefit: <b>Basic limit.</b>
1 Jul 2025	Second domestic helper insurance issued by <b>us</b> for <b>your domestic helper</b> with top-up of \$40,000 per year for Hospital and surgical expenses benefit.  Hospital and surgical expenses benefit: <b>Basic limit</b> + Top-up hospital and surgical expenses benefit by \$40,000 = \$100,000 per year.
1 Dec 2025	Incurred hospital and surgical expenses due to asthma.
	Claim payout is up to <b>Basic limit</b> only.

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ii) For pre-existing medical condition that first occurred after the start of your domestic helper's first domestic helper insurance policy issued by us, we will pay under this section 7 for hospital and surgical expenses; up to the hospital and surgical benefit limit applicable, at the time the pre-existing medical condition first occurred or at the time she incurs the hospital and surgical expenses; whichever is lower but in no event below the basic limit.

#### Example 1:

1 Jul 2023	First domestic helper insurance issued by <b>us</b> for <b>your domestic helper</b> .		
	Hospital and surgical expenses benefit: <b>Basic limit</b> .		
1 Sep 2023	Diagnosed with asthma.		
1 Jul 2025	Second domestic helper insurance issued by <b>us</b> for <b>your domestic helper</b> with top-up of \$40,000 per year for Hospital and surgical expenses benefit.  Hospital and surgical expenses benefit: <b>Basic limit</b> + Top-up hospital and surgical expenses benefit by \$40,000 = \$100,000 per year.		
1 Dec 2025	Incurred hospital and surgical expenses due to asthma.		
	Claim payout is up to <b>Basic limit</b> only.		

#### Example 2:

Example	
1 Jul 2023	First domestic helper insurance issued by <b>us</b> for <b>your domestic helper</b> .
	Hospital and surgical expenses benefit: <b>Basic limit</b> .
1 Jul 2025	Second domestic helper insurance issued by <b>us</b> for <b>your domestic helper</b> with top-up of \$40,000 per year for Hospital and surgical expenses benefit.
	Hospital and surgical expenses benefit: <b>Basic limit</b> + Top-up hospital and surgical expenses benefit by \$40,000 = \$100,000 per year.
1 Nov 2025	Diagnosed with asthma.
1 Dec 2025	Incurred hospital and surgical expenses due to asthma.
	Claim payout is up to \$100,000/year.

j Coverage for COVID-19 at no additional premium while Singapore's Disease Outbreak Response

System Condition (DORSCON) status is green or baseline state: If **your domestic helper** is diagnosed with COVID-19, and needs to stay in **hospital** while in Singapore or needs to go into **hospital** as an **emergency** while she is **overseas**, **we** will pay the **hospital** and surgical expenses listed in 7(b)1 to 7(b)4 incurred for the COVID-19 treatment, up to the per incident limit shown in the **schedule** for **COVID-19 cover** after applying the relevant 'pro ration factor' table shown in section 7(h).

#### What we do not pay under section 7

Besides the general exclusions listed in part 3 of the general conditions, **we** will also not pay under section 7 for the following.

- 1 Claims for nursing care that is not provided by the **hospital** or any nursing care that is provided outside Singapore.
- 2 Claims for dental treatment as a result of tooth, gum or oral disease or from normal wearing of the teeth.
- 3 Claims for routine physical examinations, health check-ups or tests which do not form part of the treatment or diagnosis of the actual injury or sickness.
- **4** Any treatment which is not considered medically necessary by the **medical practitioner**.
- 5 Claims relating to a pre-existing medical condition unless, your domestic helper had been working as a foreign domestic worker in Singapore for more than 12 months in a row or where it is expressly provided under section 7(i)(2) Hospital and surgical expenses, that we will pay.
- 6 Claims for non-emergency treatment or hospitalisation outside Singapore.
- 7 Claims due to insanity or self-inflicted injuries or conditions related to functional disorders of the mind.
- 8 Claims for rest care or care in a sanatorium, drug addiction or alcoholism, diseases which need isolation or quarantine under current laws, including any infectious diseases declared by the health authorities of Singapore or in the country that your domestic helper has caught the disease from or by the World Health Organisation (WHO) unless it is a claim for COVID-19 cover expressly provided under Section 7(j), that we will pay. This does not apply to influenza A flu virus (H1N1), hand, foot and mouth disease (HFMD) and severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS).
- 9 Claims for congenital problems.
- 10 Claims for treatment of an optional nature, for example, plastic surgery or cosmetic surgery which is not medically necessary.
- 11 Claims for non-medical personal services such as radio, telephone, television, newspapers and guests' meals and any other items which are not

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- medically necessary.
- 12 Claims for special braces, appliances, equipment or other prosthetic devices including spectacles, walking or home aids of any kind, dialysis machine, oxygen machine, hearing aids, wheelchairs, crutches, braces, splints and lenses and any other medical-related equipment.
- **13** Conditions arising from surgical, mechanical or chemical contraceptive methods of birth control or treatments relating to infertility.
- **14 your domestic helper** travelling **overseas** for the purpose of getting medical treatment;
- **15** Claims made as a result of **you** or **your family member's** wilful, criminal or negligent act.

# Section 8 - Sending your domestic helper home

- a If your domestic helper suffers permanent disability, serious sickness or serious injury which prevents her from carrying out her duties as a foreign domestic worker, we will pay for the transport expenses (air, sea or land travel) needed to send your domestic helper back to her home country.
- b If your domestic helper dies (including committing suicide), we will pay for the necessary expenses to bury or cremate the body and return the body or ashes to the home country.
- **c** You can only claim under either Section 8a or 8b for the same event but not both.
- d So that we can pay the claim, you must provide a written report of your domestic helper's medical condition from the medical practitioner together with original medical bills and receipts. You will have to pay any costs involved in providing this report.

# What we do not pay under section 8

Besides the general exclusions listed in part 3 of the general conditions, **we** will also not pay under Section 8 if:

the claim is made as a result of you or your family member's wilful, criminal or negligent act.

# Additional Services Section 9 - Security bond to Ministry of Manpower (if applicable)

**We** will provide a letter of guarantee on **your** behalf to replace the sum of five thousand Singapore dollars which **you** are required to deposit with the Ministry of

Manpower as a form of security for the due and satisfactory observance and performance of all conditions under the security bond in connection with the employment of **your domestic helper** for the **period of insurance** as stated in this **policy**. **We** will undertake to be the principal debtor to pay the Ministry of Manpower on demand the sum of five thousand Singapore dollars.

# **Special Conditions for section 9**

In consideration of **us** providing the services described in sections 9, **you** agree to abide by the following conditions.

- You agree to observe and comply with all the conditions under the Ministry of Manpower's security bond in connection with the employment of your domestic helper during the period of insurance as stated in this policy.
- You will, at all times, compensate us against all claims, payments, demands, action suits, proceedings, losses, liabilities costs and expenses which may be taken or made against us or which we may suffer under the issuance of the letter of guarantee.
- 3 Within 14 days of any payment we have made under the letter of guarantee to MOM, you will repay us any payments plus interests at a rate of 8% a year from the date we make the payment until the date we receive full payment from you.
- 4 You will pay us all costs, charges and expenses including legal costs we may suffer in enforcing or trying to get payment of all or any part of the money agreed to be paid. This includes any legal proceedings we may begin against you.
- We may settle out of court, all claims, payments, demands, action suits, proceedings, losses and liabilities which may be taken or made against you under the letter of guarantee.
- All receipts, vouchers, statement of account or other evidence of payments we have made or of all liabilities or obligations we have because of the letter of guarantee will be evidence against you and your estate of the amount you owe us.
- 7 This counter indemnity will continue indefinitely and we may decide to give you extra time to pay or accept other offers from you or make other arrangements with you, or extend the validity of the letter of guarantee without it affecting your legal responsibility under this counter indemnity.
- 8 This counter indemnity will stay in force (even when the security bond ends) until we have no further liability under the security bond.
- 9 Any demand we make can be given in writing to you by our servant, agent or employee or by our solicitors either serving it personally on you or sending it by post to you at your last known address.

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# Optional Benefits for Additional Services Section 10 - MOM security bond protector (if applicable)

Under this waiver of counter indemnity benefit, **we** will waive **your** liability to MOM as described in section 9 in the event the Ministry of Manpower calls on **your** security bond; provided the conditions of the security bond were not broken as a result of **your** negligence, deliberate, wilful or criminal act. **You** will need to pay the first \$250 **excess**.

#### What we do not pay under section 10

**We** will not pay under section 10 for the following, or for loss or liability directly or indirectly caused by the following.

- 1 Any breach by **you** of the conditions of the security bond imposed by the Ministry of Manpower.
- 2 Any loss, claim or payment which **you** are aware of prior to effective cover under this **policy**.
- **3** Any loss, claim or payment incurred by **you** after 7 days of the cancellation of the **policy**.
- 4 The excess amount of \$250.
- 5 Any loss, claim or payment arising out of any circumstances caused directly or indirectly by you and/or your family members' wilful, criminal or negligent act.

# Section 11 - Waiver of co-payment (if applicable)

Under this waiver of co-payment benefit, **we** will waive the applicable **co-payment** that **you** have to pay under section 7- Hospital and surgical expenses. The amount that **we** will pay for this benefit will depend on the claim amount that **we** will pay for such claim under section 7-Hospital and surgical expenses.

# What you need to be aware of

# 1 Cover

The **policy** covers **your domestic helper** when she is living in Singapore or when she is travelling outside Singapore with **you** or when she is on home leave during the **period of insurance**.

However, we shall not cover you or your domestic helper or pay any benefits to you, your domestic helper or her legal representative under this policy if by doing so, we would be in violation of any written laws in Singapore or otherwise, or would expose **us** to any economic sanction.

# 2 Making changes to your policy

Once the **policy** has commenced, **you** may only add the MOM security bond protector as described in section 10 if **your** request is within 30 days from the start date of **your policy**. **Your** upgraded plan will not cover any situation that **you** were aware of (or could reasonably be expected to know) before the upgrade, that would give rise to a claim.

**We** may charge an administrative fee for any changes made to **your policy**.

# 3 General exclusions

This **policy** does not cover claims for loss or liability directly or indirectly caused by or arising from:

- a your domestic helper deliberately injuring herself, committing suicide (except under sections 4 and 8) or attempting suicide while sane or insane, her criminal act, provoked assault, deliberate acts or putting herself in danger (unless she is trying to save human life);
- b the effect or influence of alcohol or drugs not prescribed by a registered medical practitioner;
- c pregnancy, childbirth, abortion, miscarriage, sterilization, menopause or all complications arising from these conditions;
- **d** mental problems, infirmity or insanity;
- e sexually transmitted infections, human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) or any HIVrelated illness including acquired immunity deficiency syndrome (AIDS), AIDS Related Complex (ARC) or other communicable disease; however caused (except if it is a claim for COVID-19 cover expressly provided under Section 7(j));
- f pre-existing medical conditions or physical problems happening before the start of the policy unless, your domestic helper had been working in Singapore as a foreign domestic helper for more than 12 months in a row or where it is expressly provided under section 7(i)(2) Hospital and surgical expenses, that we will pay;
- g your domestic helper taking part in any hazardous activities or sports including, but not limited to, any winter sports (such as skiing or snowboarding), any underwater activities involving underwater breathing apparatus, aerial activities (such as taking a helicopter tour, paragliding), motor sports (such as motorcycle racing or motor car racing);
- h the consequences whether direct or indirect of war, warlike operations (whether war is

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declared or not), civil war, mutiny, rebellion, acts of terrorism, revolution or any similar event:

- radioactivity or damage from any nuclear fuel, material or waste;
- j strike, riot or civil commotion (unless unforeseeable);

If **we** say that, for any of the exclusions listed above, any loss, damage, cost or expense is not covered by this **policy**, **you** will have to prove otherwise. If any part of any exclusion is not valid or cannot be enforced, the other exclusions will still apply.

# 4 Payment before cover warranty

We (or our intermediary) must receive the full premium due on or before the start date of the insurance. If we or the intermediary do not receive the premium in full on or before the start date of the insurance, the policy will not be valid and we will not pay any benefits.

# 5 Paying benefits

We will pay the benefits listed in this **policy** only if **you** have:

- a met general condition 4; and
- **b** given **us** satisfactory proof of the claim

**We** will pay all benefits under this **policy** to **you** unless:

- a your domestic helper dies or suffers permanent disability as described in section 1 or section 4 (if applicable), in which case we will pay the benefits to her, her estate or her legal personal representative whichever is applicable; or
- b you or your domestic helper suffer a claim for personal liability as described in section 3, in which case we will pay the person you or your domestic helper is legally responsible to.

When **we** pay the benefits as described above, **we** will have no further legal responsibility to **you** or **your domestic helper** under this **policy** for the claim.

# 6 Misrepresentation

We will treat this **policy** as void if **you** or **your domestic helper** misrepresent any fact or circumstance which affects **your domestic helper's** health condition, country of residence or pursuits or

any information which may affect **our** decision to accept **your** application.

### 7 Fraud

You and your domestic helper must not act in a fraudulent way. We may take the action shown below if you or your domestic helper, or anyone acting for you or your domestic helper:

- a make a claim under the policy knowing the claim to be false or fraudulently exaggerated in any way;
- **b** make a statement to support a claim knowing the statement to be false in any way;
- send **us** a document to support a claim knowing the document to be forged or false in any way; or
- d make a claim for any loss or damage caused by your or your domestic helper's deliberate act or with your or your domestic helper's knowledge.

We may do the following.

- **a** We will not pay the claim.
- **b** We will not pay any other claim which has been or will be made under the **policy**.
- **c** We may declare the **policy** invalid.
- d We can recover from you or your domestic helper the amount of any claim we have already paid under the policy.
- **e We** will not refund **your** premium.
- f We may not allow you to buy other policies from us.
- **g** We may report you to the police.

## 8 Reasonable care

Your domestic helper and you must take all reasonable precautions to avoid injury, sickness, loss or damage and take all practical steps to reduce, as far as possible, the chances of any claims.

## 9 Other insurance

If at the time of any incident which results in a claim under this **policy you** have other insurance covering the same loss, damage, expense or liability, **we** will not pay more than **our** share. (This does not apply to section 1 – Accidental death and permanent disability and section 4 – Special grant due to accidental death).

# 10 Taking over your rights

We can take over any rights to defend or settle any claim and to take proceedings in your domestic helper's or your name to enforce your domestic helper's, your or our rights against any other

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person.

# 11 Claims conditions

- a You, your domestic helper, her legal personal representatives or any person appointed by the Comptroller of Work Passes of the Ministry of Manpower (if applicable) must tell us as soon as possible (and in any case within 30 days) about any injury, sickness, incident, event, or discovery of any loss or damage which may give rise to a claim under this policy.
- b If you, your domestic helper, her legal personal representatives or any person appointed by the Comptroller of Work Passes of the Ministry of Manpower (if applicable) can recover all or part of the medical expenses from other sources, we will only pay you, your domestic helper, her legal personal representatives or any person appointed by the Comptroller of Work Passes of the Ministry of Manpower (if applicable) the amount that cannot be recovered.
- c We pay all claims in Singapore dollars. If you or your domestic helper suffer a loss which is in a foreign currency, we will convert the amount into Singapore dollars at the exchange rate which we will decide on the date of the loss.

# 12 What you need to provide when you send us your claim

You, your domestic helper, her legal personal representatives or any person appointed by the Comptroller of Work Passes of the Ministry of Manpower (if applicable) must supply all information, reports, original invoices and receipts, proof of ownership, evidence, medical certificates, documents (such as a translation of a foreign-language document into English), confirmed by oath if necessary, that we may need before we assess the claim. We may refuse to refund any expense which you, your domestic helper, her legal personal representatives or any person appointed by the Comptroller of Work Passes of the Ministry of Manpower (if applicable) cannot provide original receipts or invoices for.

## 13 Cancellation and refund

We can cancel the **policy** by giving **you** seven days' notice to **your** last known address. We will consider that **you** have received this cancellation notice on the same day if we deliver the notice by hand, fax or email. **You** may cancel this **policy** by telling **us you** want to do so.

**We** will cancel **your policy** from the date **we** receive the discharge letter from the Ministry of Manpower unless benefit 9 does not apply to **your domestic helper** in which case **we** will cancel the **policy** from the date **we** receive your notice of cancellation.

**We** will not refund **your** premium if:

- the cancellation takes place more than 365 days after the start date of the period of insurance shown in the schedule for policy with period of insurance of at least 26 months;
- the cancellation takes place more than 180 days after the start date of the period of insurance shown in the schedule for policy with period of insurance of less than 26 months; or
- there has been a claim made under the policy.
- a If the period of insurance is at least 26 months

Cancellation	Percentage of Refund
Cancellation within 60 days	80% of the <b>policy</b> premium
Cancellation within 61 days to 90 days	60% of the <b>policy</b> premium
Cancellation within 91 days to 180 days	40% of the <b>policy</b> premium
Cancellation within 181 days to 365 days	20% of the <b>policy</b> premium

**b** If the **period of insurance** is less than 26 months

Cancellation	Percentage of Refund
Cancellation within 60 days	80% of the <b>policy</b> premium
Cancellation within 61 days to 90 days	60% of the <b>policy</b> premium
Cancellation within 91 days to 180 days	30% of the <b>policy</b> premium

**We** provide an additional 2-month cover under **your policy**; as required by the Ministry of Manpower; at no additional premium. When **your** domestic helper's work permit expires, there is no refund of any premium from **us**.

**We** will not refund any premium below \$38.15 (after GST).

Any refund of premiums will be made to the **policyholder** as shown in the **schedule**.

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# 14 Ending the policy

The **policy** will end immediately when:

- a we cancel this policy under general conditions 4, 7 or 13;
- b you cancel this policy under general condition 13:
- **c we** have made the final payment for any loss under section 1,4,5 or 8;
- **d** the **insured person** no longer satisfy any of the eligibility requirements set unless **we** have agreed in writing to provide cover;
- e before entering into the policy, you or the insured person fails to reveal all facts you or they know or ought to know which may affect this policy.

# 15 Excluding third-party rights

A person or company who is not covered by this **policy** (except any person appointed by the Comptroller of Work Passes of the Ministry of Manpower) has no right under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 2001 to enforce this **policy**.

# 16 Currency and interest

All dollar amounts shown in the **policy** and **schedule** are shown in Singapore dollars (S\$). **We** will not pay interest under this **policy**.

# 17 Prohibited persons

If you or any relevant person is found to be a prohibited person:

- we are entitled not to accept your application;
   and
- if any policy is issued, we are entitled to end the policy, not pay any benefit or not allow any transaction to be carried out under the policy.
   We will not refund any unutilised premium when the policy is ended.

Our decision in every respect of the above will be final.

**You** will need to inform **us** immediately if there is any change in any relevant person's identity, status or identity documents.

# 18 Governing law

Singapore law will apply to this policy.

# 19 Dealing with disputes

If you are not satisfied with our final decision on your claim, you may refer the case to the Financial Industry Disputes Resolution Centre Ltd (FIDREC), an independent and impartial institution specializing in solving disputes between financial institutions and consumers. Their website address is: www.fidrec.com.sg

If the dispute cannot be referred to or dealt with by FIDREC, the dispute must be referred to and decided using arbitration in Singapore in line with the Arbitration Rules of the Singapore International Arbitration Centre which apply at that point of time.

We will not be legally responsible under your policy unless you have first received an award under arbitration.

# 20 Feedback procedure

# Making yourself heard

**We** are committed to providing **you** with an exceptional level of service and customer care.

**We** realise that things can go wrong and there may be times when **you** feel that **we** have not provided the service **you** expected. When this happens, **we** want to hear about it so that **we** can try to put things right.

Please send **your** feedback to: www.income.com.sg/enquiry

# Our promise to you

## We will:

- acknowledge **your** complaint promptly;
- investigate quickly and thoroughly;
- keep you informed of our progress; and
- do everything possible to deal with **your** complaint.

### **Policy Owners' Protection Scheme**

This policy is protected under the Policy Owners' Protection Scheme which is administered by the Singapore Deposit Insurance Corporation (SDIC). Coverage for your policy is automatic and no further action is required from you. For more information on the types of benefits that are covered under the scheme as well as the limits of coverage, where applicable, please contact Income or visit the GIA/LIA or SDIC web-sites (www.gia.org.sg or www.lia.org.sg or www.sdic.org.sg).

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