

Insurance Booklet

Hull, Machinery & Liability to Third Parties



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IMPORTANT FEATURES:

Effected with Accelerate Underwriting Ltd on behalf of Royal & Sun Alliance Insurance Ltd by Ripe Insurance Services Ltd, The Royals, Altrincham Road, Manchester M22 4BJ.

If the Insured shall make any claim knowing the same to be false or fraudulent, as regards amount or otherwise, this policy shall become void and all claims hereunder shall be forfeited.

We must draw Your attention to a number of important features of this Insurance:

- This part of the document provides details of **Your** policy and the terms and conditions that apply. The policy is a legal contract between **You** and **Us**. The policy wording and insurance schedule make one document and must be read together. Please keep them together
- The contract is based on the information You gave Us when You applied for the insurance
- Your policy is in two parts this policy wording and the insurance schedule:

	Policy	Schedule
•	Exactly what is covered and what isn't	The sections of the policy that apply to you and the dates from which cover is in force
•	How to make a claim and how We will settle that claim	
•	Our obligations to You	• The various limits and sums insured that apply to Your cover
•	The terms and conditions you must comply with	Any special terms that apply to Your policy
		Your Premium
		• Your policy number
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Our part of the contract is that We will provide the cover set out in this policy wording:

- for those sections which are shown on Your insurance schedule
- for the insurance period set out on the same insurance schedule.

Your part of the contract is:

- You must pay the Premium as shown on Your insurance schedule for each insurance period
- You must comply with all the terms and conditions set out in this policy.

If You do not meet Your part of the contract, We may turn down a claim, increase the premium or You may find that You do not have any cover.

IMPORTANT FEATURES:

Insurance Booklet: You should read this document carefully in conjunction with the insurance schedule. It gives details of what is and is not covered by the Insurance and the Conditions and Exclusions of the cover.

Conditions and Exclusions: Conditions and exclusions will apply to individual sections of the Insurance while general exclusions and conditions will apply to the whole insurance.

Limits: All sections have limits on the amount We will pay under that section. Some sections also include inner limits.

Excesses: Claims under certain sections may be subject to an **Excess**. Where there is an **Excess**, **You** will be responsible for paying the first part of a claim.

Reasonable Care: You are required to take all reasonable care to protect yourself and **Your Vessel** and to act as though **You** are not insured. **Complaints:** This insurance includes a complaints procedure which tells **You** what steps **You** can take if **You** wish to make a complaint.

'Cooling Off' Period: This insurance booklet contains a 'cooling off' period, which allows You to return it if You have justifiable reason to be dissatisfied with the cover provided.

This is an Agreed Value Policy: The sum insured shown in Your Policy Documents represents the value of Your Vessel as declared by You

PLEASE READ THESE FEATURES, YOUR INSURANCE SCHEDULE AND THE WHOLE OF THIS DOCUMENT CAREFULLY.

If the insurance does not meet **Your** requirements please return it.

DETAILS OF COVER

This is an **Agreed Value** policy. The sum insured shown in **Your Policy Documents** represents the value of **Your Vessel** as declared by **You**. Where **You** have paid the appropriate premium and **Hull, Machinery and Equipment** cover is shown in **Your Policy Documents**, **You** are covered for:

- Theft of Your Vessel
- Accidental Loss or Damage to Your Vessel
- Malicious Damage to Your Vessel
- Salvage charges
- Liability to Third Parties

WHAT TO DO IN THE EVENT OF A CLAIM

If you have had an accident for which you want to make a claim under your insurance policy, this document will provide you with some important facts about what to do next.

Please notify us immediately of the loss, and in any event, within 30 days of its occurrence.

If anyone has been injured, **You** should prioritise their treatment ahead of other matters.

Please take necessary reasonable steps to mitigate the loss, and protect any damage from deteriorating, but do not commence any repairs until you have received permission to do so as a surveyor may need to inspect the damage prior to repairs commencing.

Do not admit liability if you have been involved in a collision with a third party.

Theft or malicious damage claims must be reported to the Police and the Crime Number noted.

If towage or salvage are required, please agree a realistic fixed price prior to acceptance.

Only the loss or damage caused by the incident for which You are claiming is covered by Your policy.

Please take care not to:

- Make any false statement in support of **Your** claim.
- Overestimate **Your** claim.
- Include in Your claim any items that were not lost or damaged in the incident.

Do be aware that attempting to mislead Your insurers over any part of Your claim may prejudice Your entire claim under the policy.

It may be necessary to appoint an independent surveyor to determine the nature cause and extent of the damage to **Your** boat, and the most effective method of repair. He will not have any authority to agree **Your** claim, or comment on policy coverage.

The surveyor will contact **You** to arrange a convenient time to inspect **Your** boat, and **We** would prefer **You** to be present at that first inspection.

Although the surveyor is representing Your insurers, he may be able to offer You advice based on his knowledge of local repair facilities.

The vessel is **Your** asset and **Your** responsibility at all times, so **You** will need to obtain estimates and manage the repair process. If **You** cannot get identical replacement items due to obsolescence, get estimates for current models of an equivalent standard and specification.

If **You** wish to take the opportunity of **Your** boat being in for repair to have other work done, or to upgrade any damaged equipment please ensure that **You** mark this clearly on any estimates and invoices, and agree with us first what part of the costs will be paid by **You**.

If repairs are delayed for any reason outside the control of **Your** insurers, the insurers will not be liable for any resultant increase in costs.

If You believe someone else is responsible for the damage to Your boat You have two options;

1. Claim off the other party.

Write to the person who caused the damage holding them responsible.

If they are insured, their insurers should settle **Your** claim directly with **You**, and **You** may also be able to claim for any out of pocket expenses **You** have incurred as a result of the incident.

2. Claim off Your insurance policy.

If the incident is covered under Your own hull insurance policy, You may claim off that.

Your policy Excess, and any other applicable deductions, will be applied to any payments the insurers make, even if the incident was not Your fault.

Your insurers may try to recover their costs from the other party or their insurers, and they may agree to include any out of pocket expenses You have incurred, together with Your policy Excess. These are termed Your 'uninsured losses'.

To the extent that the recovery action is successful, a proportion of **Your** policy **Excess** and any other 'uninsured losses' can be refunded to **You**.

Your insurers are not obliged to attempt a recovery and may decide not to do so if there is little chance of success or if the cost of the recovery action is disproportionate to the amount which would be recovered.

Email: office@macmarineclaims.com

Telephone: **+44 (0)333 400 9159**

Post: MAC Marine Claims Ltd., Suite 26 Alum House (FF), Discovery Court, 551-553 Wallisdown Road, Poole, Dorset BH12 5AG

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

STATEMENT OF DEMANDS AND NEEDS

This policy meets the needs of an individual who requires insurance for:

- Theft, Accidental loss and damage to **Your Vessel**
- Malicious damage to Your Vessel
- Reasonable and necessary salvage charges in preventing or minimising a loss covered under this policy
- Liabilities for accidental third party property damage or injuries to third parties

CONSUMER INSURANCE ACT

You are required by the provisions of the Consumer Insurance (Disclosure and Representations) Act to take care to supply accurate and complete answers to all the questions in the declaration and to make sure that all information supplied is true and correct. You must tell Us of any changes to the answers You have given as soon as possible. Failure to advise Us of a change to Your answers may mean that Your policy is invalid and that it does not operate in the event of a claim.

KEEPING US INFORMED

This policy is based on the information You have given Us about You. It is important You let us know within 30 days of changes that affect what You have told Us.

If You fail to disclose all relevant information or make a misrepresentation, We may void the policy or reduce the value of any claim payment.

YOUR RIGHT TO CANCEL

If **You** decide that for any reason, this policy does not meet **Your** insurance needs then please return it to Insure4Boats within 14 days of issue. On the condition that no claims have been made or are pending, a full refund will be available.

There after **You** may cancel the policy at any time by informing Insure4Boats provided **You** have not made a claim **You** may be entitled to a partial return of **Your** premium less an administration fee of £25.00.

OUR RIGHT TO CANCEL

Our right to cancel:

The insurer shall not be bound to accept renewal of any insurance and may at any time cancel any insurance document by giving 14 days' notice in writing where there is a valid reason for doing so. A cancellation letter will be sent to **You** at **Your** last known address. Valid reasons may include but are not limited to:

- a) Fraud
- b) Non-payment of premium
- c) Threatening and abusive behaviour
- d) Non-compliance with policy terms and conditions

Provided the premium has been paid in full **You** will be entitled to a proportionate rebate of premium in respect of the unexpired period showing on the insurance.

GOVERNING LAW

Unless some other law is agreed in writing, this policy is governed by English law. If there is a dispute, it will only be dealt with in the courts of England or of the country within the UK in which **Your** main residence is situated.

DATA PROTECTION

Your information will be held by **Us** in accordance with data protection legislation (including the General Data Protection Regulation from 25th May 2018), for the purpose of providing insurance and handling claims, if any, which may necessitate providing such information to third parties.

Under the General Data Protection Regulation **You** have a right of access to see personal information about **You** that is held in **Our** records, whether electronically or manually.

DEFINITIONS

This part of the policy sets out the words which have a special meaning. Each word is listed with the meaning explained below and is printed in **Bold** type whenever it appears in the **Policy Documents**.

Accident/Accidental

An external, sudden, unexpected, un-planned unusual specific event occurring at a definable time and place

Agreed Value

The sum insured shown in Your Policy Documents which represents the value of your Vessel as declared by You

Anti-theft device

A device sold and marketed as a secure way of preventing theft, including, but not limited to:

- Hitchlock A device specifically designed, sold and marketed to prevent a trailer being hitched to or unhitched from a towing vehicle. This must cover the bolts securing the tow hitch to the trailer chassis
- Outboard Motor Lock A device specifically designed, sold and marketed as a secure method to prevent theft of the outboard motor
- Wheel Clamp A device that is specifically designed, sold and marketed to prevent a wheel being turned or removed

Actual and Constructive Total Loss

Where the **Vessel** is completely lost, destroyed, damaged or where the cost of replacement or repair of the **Vessel** exceeds the sum insured, as detailed in the **Policy Documents**

Bodily Injury

Identifiable physical injury or death (but excluding all non-physical complaints)

Contents

Items which are kept on a Houseboat of a personal nature that you own and that would not normally be sold with the vessel

Due Care and Diligence

The degree of care with which a prudent uninsured owner could reasonably be expected to exercise in relation to the ownership, use and care of the **Vessel**

Endorsements

Any terms and conditions made separately to the terms of the policy and specified in Your Policy Documents

Excess

The amount that you must bear as the first part of any agreed claim as specified in Your Policy Documents

Forcible and Violent Entry or Removal

Evidence of visible damage to the vessel and/or place of storage

Houseboat

Any narrowboat or inland craft used for Your permanent occupation

Hull, Machinery and Equipment

Including, but not limited to the hull, machinery, main/auxiliary engines, outboard motors, gear, gearbox, starter motors, alternators, electrical and mechanical equipment, cables, fittings, hydraulics, piping and fittings, boilers, shafts/propellers, exhaust, generators, air conditioning systems, pumps, tanks, water makers sails and rigging, that are specified that are part of the original purchase of the **Vessel**. This does not include **Personal Effects** or **Contents**

Latent Defect

A hidden flaw, weakness or imperfection in the design, manufacture or build of the **Vessel** that is not discoverable upon inspection by a competent person

Cruising Limits

The geographic area as shown in the Policy Documents

Personal Effects

Items of a personal nature that you own and use specifically for the Vessel that would not normally be sold with the Vessel

Policy Documents

The documents issued by **Us** to **You** to include an insurance schedule, certificate and policy wording and any other documents that detail matters of policy cover, exclusions, limitations, and **Endorsements**

Professionally Run Marina

A secured and sheltered mooring complex, providing controlled access to berths, racking, compounds or pontoons and 24hour manned security excluding facilities with floating or temporary breakwaters.

Reasonable Cost

The cost which would be paid by a prudent uninsured. It does not include any premium incurred in order to have the repairs or any other work effected on an accelerated basis

Seaworthy/Seaworthiness

Your Vessel and her Hull, Machinery and Equipment is maintained in such condition that the Vessel is able to manage the perils of the seas, and other areas of operation, and is at all times suitably moored, equipped and provisioned

Small Open Motor Boat

A vessel less than 20ft in length with no cabin or cuddy and propelled using an outboard motor manufactured from aluminium shell or fibreglass with a maximum speed of 15 knots

Third Party

A person who makes a claim against anyone insured by this insurance

You/Your/Yours

The insured person/persons named in the **Policy Documents** who/whom is/are a United Kingdom resident any other person whilst aboard the named **Vessel** with **Your** permission

Vessel(s)

The Vessel named in the Policy Documents to include her Hull, Machinery and Equipment and the Vessels tender and road trailer

We/Us/Our(s)

Royal & Sun Alliance Insurance Ltd., St Mark's Court, Chart Way, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 1XL

SECTION 1 - THEFT OF YOUR VESSEL

Provides cover for theft of attempted theft to the insured Vessel, Hull, Machinery and Equipment and the Vessels trailer.

What is covered:

- Theft, or attempted theft, of the insured Vessel
- Theft, or attempted theft, of Hull, Machinery and Equipment from the insured Vessel or from a locked storage place ashore
- Theft, or attempted theft, of the Vessels trailer, when left unattended

- Any applicable Excess
- Theft or attempted theft unless the loss shows evidence of Forcible and Violent Entry into insured Vessel or locked storage place or involves Forcible and Violent Removal of item(s) securely fastened to Your Vessel
- Theft or attempted theft unless the Vessel's trailer has been fitted with, and securely locked by, a purpose manufactured Hitchlock or alternative Anti-theft device
- Theft or attempted theft of outboard motors left attached to the insured **Vessel**, unless they are secured by a purpose manufactured outboard motor lock or alternative **Anti-theft device**
- Theft of outboard motors unless You have provided the serial number of Your outboard motor
- Theft or attempted theft of tenders, (or other similar boats or dinghies), unless they are permanently marked with the name of the parent **Vessel**, or other identifiable mark
- **Personal Effects**, unless shown in **Your Policy Documents** whilst ashore or at **Your** residence, in transit or recoverable under any other policy of insurance

SECTION 2 - ACCIDENTAL LOSS OR DAMAGE TO YOUR VESSEL

Provides cover for Accidental loss or damage to the insured Vessel.

What is covered:

We agree to pay for, replace or make good loss of, or damage to, Your Vessel as a consequence of:

- Accidents arising from fire, explosion, collision, stranding, grounding and heavy weather
- Accidents in loading, discharging and handling stores, equipment, machinery, or fuel
- Negligence, excluding:
 - i) the cost of making good any defect in repair, maintenance or alteration carried out for **Your** account resulting from either negligence or breach of contract
 - ii) the cost and expense of remedying a fault or error in design or construction or attributable to betterment or alteration in design or construction

Furthermore:

- We will pay no more than the amount shown in Your Policy Documents in the event of an Actual and Constructive Total Loss, or other loss or damage where the repair and or replacement and or recovery costs exceed this amount
- In the event of partial loss or damage We will pay the Reasonable Cost of repairing or reinstating the damaged or lost part, but not exceeding the amount shown in Your Policy Documents
- In the event of loss or damage to the following, We can adjust Your claim up to a maximum of 50% in respect of age and wear and tear:
 - i) running and standing rigging
 - ii) sails
 - iii) outboard motors
 - iv) inboard motors, and their connections
 - v) protective covers and canopies

- Any applicable Excess
- Wear and tear, deterioration and depreciation from use or breakdown of Hull, Machinery and Equipment
- Insects, marine borers, barnacles, marine growth, vermin, fungi or molluscs
- Corrosion, rot, rust, mildew, dampness, weathering, electrolysis, osmosis
- Freezing or frost damage unless shown in Your Policy Documents
- Loss or damage of Personal Effects, unless shown in Your Policy Documents
- The costs of repairing or replacing any defective part condemned solely in consequence of a Latent Defect or error in design or construction
- Loss or damage to the Vessel caused by the accumulation of rainwater, snow or by incursion into water, unless unforeseen and Accidental
- The loss in value of the Vessel as a result of damage and repair
- The cost of making good any defective workmanship
- Loss or damage whilst the Vessel is in transit by road unless shown in Your Policy Documents
- Loss or damage when the vessel is in use during the period between 1st November and 31st March, unless Winter use is shown in Your Policy Documents

SECTION 3 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE

Provides cover for physical loss or damage to Your Vessel caused by any malicious act by any person which have been reported to the Police.

What is covered:

We will cover You for physical loss or damage to Your Vessel caused by any malicious act by any person which has been reported to the Police and for which a crime reference number has been obtained.

- Any applicable Excess
- Any loss or damage caused by You or Your immediate family
- Any loss of damage where a crime reference number has not been obtained

SECTION 4 - SALVAGE CHARGES

What is covered:

- We will pay all salvage, towage and assistance charges and expenses reasonably and necessarily incurred in preventing or minimising a loss that is, or would be recoverable under this policy
- We shall also pay the expense of inspecting Your Vessel after grounding (even if no damage is found)

SECTION 5 - LIABILITY TO THIRD PARTIES

What is covered:

- We will provide cover for any sums You become legally liable to pay as a consequence of the death and/or Bodily Injury to persons, or damage to property or damage to any other Vessel, up to the amount shown in Your Policy Documents
- Any legal costs incurred in settling or defending any civil claim providing We have given written consent
- Any expenses **You** occur as a consequence of attending at an official enquiry, Inquest or similar such occasion, provided that **We** have given our written consent
- We will also provide cover, subject to the policy terms and exclusions, to any person in charge of Your Vessel with Your permission

- Your legal liabilities to, and/or of, anyone operating or working upon the Vessel who is an employee and or a contractor and or subcontractor of a shipyard, yacht club, brokerage, marina, delivery company or any other similar organisation
- Any liabilities arising from the Road Traffic Act, whilst the Vessel is in transit
- Any liability to any persons being towed behind the **Vessel** on water-skis, wakeboards, donuts or bananas, or similar such activity, unless shown in **Your Policy Documents**
- Any liabilities to any person being towed, or preparing to be towed, by **Your Vessel** for the purpose of parasailing, parascending or parakiting, or similar sports, unless shown in **Your Policy Documents**
- Any liabilities to any person engaged in snorkelling, diving or similar underwater sports
- The legal costs of defending any criminal prosecution
- The payment of any fines or other punitive damages
- Claims arising from Your reckless actions, or from the wilful misconduct or those to whom this policy may extend
- Any liability arising out of a contract

GENERAL EXCLUSIONS

We shall not be liable for:

- 1. Any claims whilst Your Vessel is let out on hire or charter or for any other financial reward
- 2. Any claims whilst Your Vessel is under construction or refit
- 3. Any claims for Personal Effects or Contents unless shown in your Policy Documents
- 4. Any loss or damage to consumable stores, fishing gear or moorings
- 5. Any loss or damage occurring whilst **Your Vessel** is left afloat when unattended, unless at the moored location shown in **Your Policy Documents** this exclusion does not apply to narrowboats & inland craft
- 6. Any claims for loss and damage whilst the Vessel is used for racing unless shown in Your Policy Documents
- 7. Any claims for loss or damage whilst the Vessel is used for speed tests or trials
- 8. The first **Excess** of any claim
- 9. Any claim arising from war or terrorism unless shown in Your Policy Documents
- 10. Any claim arising from the capture, seizure, civil disturbance, restraint or detainment of the Vessel, unless shown in Your Policy Documents
- 11. Any claim for loss or damage to the **Vessel** due to lonising radiation, radioactivity, nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste or nuclear equipment
- 12. Any claim for loss or damage to the Vessel due to chemical, biological, bio-chemical or electromagnetic weapons
- 13. Any loss or damage to the **Vessel** resulting from a computer, computer system, computer software programme, computer virus or process, or any other electronic system used for causing harm or damage
- 14. Any claim for loss, destruction or damage to the **Vessel** occasioned by pressure waves caused by aircraft or other aerial devices travelling at sonic or supersonic speeds
- 15. Any claims for loss or damage caused by You, or by the person in charge of the Vessel being under the influence of alcohol or drugs
- 16. Any claims for loss or damage arising if the Vessel is towing another Vessel or being towed by another Vessel except in an emergency
- 17. Any loss or damage to the **Vessel** caused by leaks, or other release of water, from plumbing units and/or other onboard water systems, unless designed, installed, or repaired by a suitably qualified and experienced person
- 18. Any claims resulting from the **Vessel** being left moored, anchored or left unattended off an exposed beach, shore, or seaward of the high tide mark
- 19. Any claim for loss of damage whilst the Vessel is being used outside the Cruising Limits shown in the schedule
- 20. Virus, Disease and Pandemic Exclusion

Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary within the policy, the policy does not cover loss, destruction or damage, or any costs or expenses of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly occasioned by, arising from, caused by, happening through or in consequence of, or otherwise attributable to

- a) Coronaviruses
- b) Coronavirus disease (COVID-19)
- c) Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2)
- d) Any mutation of or variation of a), b) or c) above
- e) any infectious disease that is designated or treated as a pandemic by the World Health Organisation

Any fear or anticipation of a), b), c), d) or e) above.

This exclusion does not apply to the Liability To Third Parties section of the policy.

SANCTION LIMITATION AND EXCLUSION CLAUSE

We shall not provide cover nor shall they be liable to pay any claim or provide any benefit hereunder to the extent that the provision of such cover, payment of such claim or provision of such benefit would expose Us to any sanction, prohibition or restriction under United Nations resolutions or the trade or economic sanctions, laws or regulations of the European Union, United Kingdom or United States of America.

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

These are the conditions of the insurance **You** will need to meet as part of this contract. If **You** do not a claim may be rejected or payment could be reduced. In some circumstances **Your** policy will be invalid.

- Between the period 1st November and 31st March the **Vessel** must be in either a **Professionally Run Marina** or ashore when not in use. This condition does not apply to narrowboats, inland craft or unless agreed by us in writing
- You shall maintain, and keep the insured Vessel, including any trailer, in a proper state of repair and Seaworthiness (and/or roadworthiness) and shall at all times exercise Due Care and Diligence in safeguarding it
- When the insured **Vessel** is under way there will be a suitably experienced person on board, and in charge
- The maximum designed speed of the insured **Vessel** is not more than 50 knots
- The insured Vessel is professionally built and has not undergone any significant structural alterations or additions
- The insured Vessel is manufactured from fibreglass, aluminium, wood or steel only
- The insured Vessel is not more than 50 years old at inception of the policy or in respect of wooden vessels 10 years. This clause does not apply to Small Open Motor Boats
- The overall length of the insured Vessel does not exceed 50ft unless used on inland waters
- Any fire extinguishers or fire suppression systems on the insured **Vessel** are adequate and suitable for the use intended, are maintained within a serviceable date and are kept in efficient working order at all times as per manufacturers guidelines
- If **Your Vessel** has gas appliances, any gas bottles or canisters are to be self-contained in a draining locker which drains overboard. The delivery tubing must conform to British Standards and the gas bottles are to be securely fixed
- The insured **Vessel** complies with all relevant regulations
- Single handed sailing is permitted (in the hours of daylight only), unless the Vessel has an overall length in excess 26ft
- Any insured **Vessel** which has an overall length in excess 26ft must have a minimum of two suitably experienced crew on board at all times whilst underway. This condition does not apply to narrowboats
- For Vessels used on inland waters a current Canal and River Trust or Environment Agency Licence, or the equivalent licence from the local Navigation Authority, and a current Boat Safety Certificate is obtained
- Survey Clause

If the insured **Vessel** is over 30 years of age **You** must have in **Your** possession an out of water condition and valuation survey, carried out and completed within the last three years by an independent qualified marine surveyor

- a. Any surveyor recommendations made must be complied with
- b. If Your Vessel is a sail yacht the survey must also include a full inspection of the mast, spars, sails and rigging
- c. If Your Vessel has an engine(s) this must include a full inspection
- This clause does not apply to Small Open Motor Boats
- Home Mooring Clause

We will cover Your Vessel whilst left afloat at the moored location shown in Your Policy Documents, providing it is berthed on a pontoon, trot, swinging mooring or piles in a recognised, **Professionally Run Marina** or equivalent or ashore. Trot, swing, pile or pontoon morrings are only acceptable in England but excluding the following locations:

Thames Estuary between Two Tree Island and Shoeburyness

Portland Outer Harbour

Brixham Outer Harbour

Swanage & Seaview

Any trot, swinging mooring or piles must be professionally laid and maintained and serviced annually

However, for any **Vessels** moored outside of England **We** can only provide cover if the **Vessel** is kept at a **Professionally Run Marina** or ashore

No Claims Bonus Clause

In the event of this Insurance having been in force for the total period of twelve consecutive months (including a commission period of not less than four months) and being renewed at the end thereof for a further period of twelve months then if upon such renewal there shall have been, or shall be, no claim paid or outstanding hereunder **You** shall be entitled upon such renewal to a Bonus of

5%	If no claim paid or outstanding after one consecutive years' Insurance
10%	If no claim paid or outstanding after two consecutive years' Insurance
15%	If no claim paid or outstanding after three or more consecutive years' Insurance
20%	If no claim paid or outstanding after four or more consecutive years' Insurance
25%	If no claim paid or outstanding after five or more consecutive years' Insurance

COMPLAINTS

Our commitment to customer service

We are committed to going the extra mile for Our customers. If You believe that We have not delivered the service You expected, We want to hear from You so that We can try to put things right. We take all complaints seriously and following the steps below will help Us understand Your concerns and give You a fair response.

HOW TO COMPLAIN

- Please quote **Your** policy number and claim reference (if applicable) in all correspondence so that **Your** concerns may be dealt with speedily.
- If You are unhappy with any element of the cover we provide or any aspect of Our service or have a cause for complaint, please, in the first instance, contact Insure4Boats.
- If You are still unhappy after Insure4Boats has reviewed, then contact:

Subject	Contact
A claim	 Please contact Mac Marine Claims: Post – MAC Marine Claims Ltd. Suite 26 Alum House (FF), Discovery Court 551-553 Wallisdown Road, Poole, Dorset, BH12 5AG Email: office@macmarineclaims.com
All other matters	 Please contact the Managing Director at Accelerate Underwriting Ltd: Post - 3rd Floor, 153 Fenchurch Street, London, EC3M 6BB Email - complaints@accelerate-underwriting.com Details of the Accelerate internal complaint-handling procedures are available on request.

Alternatively, You can ask Insure4Boats to refer the matter on for You.

COMPLAINTS PROCESS

We will:

- Acknowledge all complaints promptly
- Investigate quickly and thoroughly
- Keep You informed of progress
- Do everything possible to resolve Your complaint
- Use the information from Your complaint to proactively improve Our service in the future.

Once Your complaint is reviewed, a final decision will be issued in writing within 8 weeks of the date Your complaint is received.

IF YOU ARE STILL NOT HAPPY

If **You** are still unhappy after **Our** review, or **You** have not received a written offer of resolution within 8 weeks of the date **We** received **Your** complaint, **You** may be eligible to refer **Your** case to the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS). The FOS is an independent body that arbitrates on complaints. They can be contacted at:

- Post: Financial Ombudsman Service, Exchange Tower, Harbour, Exchange Square, London E14 9SR
- Telephone: 0800 0234567 (for landline users) or 0300 1239123 (for mobile users)
- Email: complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk
- Website: www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk

You have the right to refer Your complaint to the Financial Ombudsman, free of charge, but You must do so within six months from the date of the final response letter. If You do not refer Your compliant in time, the Ombudsman will not have our permission to consider Your complaint and so will only be able to do so in very limited circumstances. This does not affect Your right to take legal action, however, the FOS will not adjudicate on any case where litigation has commenced.

YOUR RIGHTS

Your rights as a customer to take legal action remain unaffected by the existence or use of any complaint procedures referred to above. However, the Financial Ombudsman Service will not adjudicate on any cases where litigation has commenced.

THE FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPENSATION SCHEME (FSCS)

We are covered by the FSCS. If We are unable to meet **Our** financial obligations **You** may be entitled to Compensation from the scheme, depending on the type of insurance and the circumstances of the Claim.

For this type of insurance 90% of **Your** Claim is covered, without any upper limit. Further information about Compensation scheme arrangements is available at www.fscs.org.uk, and on 020 7741 4100, or 0800 678 1100.

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