

## Professions and Specialty Commercial – Endorsement

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE: CHANGES TO YOUR POLICY DUE TO BREXIT**

As a result of the likely departure of the United Kingdom from the European Union (Brexit), **we** have had to make some changes to how **our** policies are underwritten from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019.

**Please note that the changes referred to in this notice do not affect the cover provided under the policy.**

Previously **our** policies were underwritten by Hiscox Underwriting Ltd (HUL) as an intermediary on behalf of the insurers shown in the schedule. Most sections of the policies were insured by Hiscox Insurance Company Limited (HIC), although some sections were insured by other insurers, as detailed on the schedule.

As a result of Brexit, sections of **our** policies that were previously insured by HIC are now insured by Hiscox SA (HSA) directly. HUL will no longer act as intermediary. HSA is an insurance company in the Hiscox group, domiciled and regulated in Luxembourg.

As a result of the change of insurer from HIC to HSA, **we** have had to make a number of changes to the way in which **our** policies are administered, including how complaints are dealt with.

In order to reflect these changes, the following amendments are made to **your policy**, including the schedule:

	<b>Amended to read:</b>
References to Hiscox Insurance Company Limited:	Hiscox SA
Address:	Hiscox SA registered head office: Avenue John F. Kennedy 35F 1855 Luxembourg LUXEMBOURG  Local branch office: Hiscox SA (Irish branch) The Observatory 7-11 Sir John Rogerson's Quay Dublin 2 D02 VC42 REPUBLIC OF IRELAND  Website: <a href="https://Hiscox.ie">https://Hiscox.ie</a>
Company number:	Hiscox SA: Registered in Luxembourg with Trade and Company Register Luxembourg (RCS Luxembourg): registration number B217018  Hiscox SA (Irish branch): Registered in Republic of Ireland with Companies Registration Office: company number 908764
Regulator:	Hiscox SA is subject to the supervision of the Commissariat aux Assurances Local branch regulator: Central Bank of Ireland
Signatory:	Richard O'Dwyer Managing Director, Hiscox SA (Irish branch)
Contact number and email address for Customer Relations	Customer relations: <a href="mailto:customerrelations.ireland@hiscox.com">customerrelations.ireland@hiscox.com</a> +353 1 238 1810
Contact numbers and email addresses for Claims	Liability claims: <a href="mailto:liabilityclaims.ireland@hiscox.com">liabilityclaims.ireland@hiscox.com</a> +353 1 238 1811  Commercial property claims: <a href="mailto:commercialpropertyclaims.ireland@hiscox.com">commercialpropertyclaims.ireland@hiscox.com</a> +353 1 238 1812

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Complaints:	<p>Customer Relations Hiscox SA (Irish branch) The Observatory 7-11 Sir John Rogerson's Quay Dublin 2 D02 VC42 REPUBLIC OF IRELAND</p> <p>or by telephone on +353 1 238 1810 or +353 1800 901 903 (free toll number), or by email at <a href="mailto:customerrelations.ireland@hiscox.com">customerrelations.ireland@hiscox.com</a>.</p>
Complaints (regulator):	<p>If you remain dissatisfied after the internal dispute resolution process, you may have the right to refer your complaint to the Financial Services and Pensions Ombudsman.</p> <p>The Financial Services and Pensions Ombudsman (FSPO) is an independent, impartial, fair and free service that helps resolves complaints with pensions providers and regulated financial services providers.</p> <p>Contact details: Financial Services and Pensions Ombudsman Lincoln House Lincoln Place Dublin DO2 VH29</p> <p>Phone: +353 1 567 7000 Email: <a href="mailto:info@fspo.ie">info@fspo.ie</a> Web: <a href="http://www.fspo.ie">www.fspo.ie</a></p> <p>If you have purchased your policy online you can also make a complaint via the EU's online dispute resolution (ODR) platform. The website for the ODR platform is: <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/odr">http://ec.europa.eu/odr</a>.</p> <p>Alternatively, you can also contact:</p> <p>Commissariat aux Assurances 7, boulevard Joseph II L-1840 Luxembourg LUXEMBOURG e-mail: <a href="mailto:caa@caa.lu">caa@caa.lu</a></p> <p>Insurance Ombudsman ACA, 12, rue Erasme, L - 1468 Luxembourg LUXEMBOURG Phone: +352 44 21 44 1 Fax: +352 44-02-89 e-mail: <a href="mailto:mediateur@aca.lu">mediateur@aca.lu</a></p>
In addition, any references to Hiscox Underwriting Ltd in <b>your policy</b> are removed.	

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**Key benefits: what risks are you protected against?**

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Professional indemnity insurance covers you for compensation you have to pay to your clients or any other third parties as a result of problems with your work. We will pay for covered claims which are made against you during the period of insurance, up to the limit shown in the policy schedule. We will also pay your legal defence costs incurred with our agreement for covered claims.

We will pay compensation in relation to claims against you for:

- breach of any contract between you and your client, where the claim is brought by your client;
- infringement of intellectual property rights such as copyright, trademark or passing off;
- negligence or breach of duty: if you fail in a duty of care to your client, perhaps giving incorrect advice or making a mistake in your work;
- breach of confidentiality, invasion of privacy or a violation of any other legal protections for personal information;
- defamation: libel and slander and claims for emotional distress or outrage based on harm to the character or reputation of any person or entity;
- dishonesty of your employees, sub-contractors and self-employed freelancers;
- breach of a licence where you have acquired a third-party's trademark or copyrighted material but only to the extent your use inadvertently exceeds express limitations in the licence;
- breach of a comparative advertising statute;
- unintentional breach of advertising codes where the claim is brought by your client;
- any other civil liability: this means that if a claim or loss occurs because of your business activities and we haven't specifically excluded it and it's not a criminal prosecution, it's covered;
- work undertaken on your behalf by sub-contractors or self-employed freelancers. However, we reserve the right to recover losses from your sub-contractors or self-employed freelancers;
- network security and personal data events, including the transmission of a computer virus, denial of service attacks and unauthorised use or disclosure of personal or confidential corporate data.

We will also pay your direct losses suffered as a result of:

- any tangible documents needed for your business which are lost, damaged or destroyed;
- acting outside your authority where you cannot legally recover the cost of media space from your client as long as the client is not liable to you and you believed you had the clients authority to pay for it;
- rectifying an error that may lead to a potential claim provided you notify us of the error and we believe this is likely to prevent a future claim against you for a greater amount .

Your policy may also reimburse you for fees that your client refuses to pay if we believe this is likely to prevent a future claim against you for a greater amount.

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**Significant or unusual exclusions and limitations:**

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We will not make any payment for your lost profit or any trading loss suffered by you. We will not pay for claims or losses arising from:

- your failure to ensure that you have sufficient technical, logistical or financial resources to perform a contract;
- any bodily or mental injury or death unless in relation to mental anguish or distress due to defamation or breach of privacy, negligent publication or negligent broadcast;
- the loss, destruction or damage to tangible property, This does not apply to any claim for damage to electronic data or the loss of any document which is necessary for the performance of your business activity which is lost whilst in your possession;
- any patent infringement or the disclosure of a trade secret;
- the ownership, use or possession of any land, building, animal or vehicle;
- any breach of your obligations as an employer;
- anything which was likely to lead to a claim and which you knew about before the policy started;
- any false or misleading advertisement about your product or services. This does not apply to a claim based on your unauthorised use of another's trademark;
- over redemption or under redemption of any prize or coupon;
- your sale, manufacture, use or consumption of any product;
- any payment owed to a licensor under a licence, other than covered claim for breach of copyright or trademark infringement where you are ordered to pay the amount you would have had to pay for a licence to use the infringed work.

Please read the policy for details of its terms in full.