

# Direct Debit Request Service Agreement

This agreement sets out the terms and conditions on which the Account Holder has authorised Zurich to debit money from their account and the obligations of Zurich and the Account Holder under this agreement.

## The Account Holder understands and agrees that:

- Direct debiting may not be available on all accounts. The Account Holder is responsible for ensuring the specified account can accept direct debits and there are sufficient cleared funds available in the nominated account to permit payments under the Direct debit request on the due date for payments
- Zurich accepts no responsibility for issues arising where incorrect details have been provided. The Account Holder should check the account details provided to Zurich are correct. If uncertain, check with your financial institution before completing the Direct debit request
- Zurich will debit the account for the sum of the amounts due at the debit date for all specified policies
- Changes to bank account details must be provided in writing, or by telephoning Zurich (or by such other means as we approve)
- Zurich will give the Account Holder at least 14 days notice in writing if there are any changes to the terms of this service agreement.

## Zurich agrees that:

- When the due date for payment is not a business day, the debit will be processed on the next business day
- The Account Holder can cancel, change\*, defer or suspend the Direct Debit Request on a policy by providing notice to Zurich in writing or by telephone (or by such other means as we approve), or directly with the Account Holder's financial institution (which is required to act promptly on the instructions). Notification must be received by Zurich at least 14 days before the next drawing date in order to process your instructions.

\*The Account Holder's financial institution can "change" the Direct Debit Request only to the extent of advising Zurich of new account details.

- Upon request, Zurich will forward a copy of the current terms and conditions for direct debits, to the Account Holder by post, facsimile or other agreed method
- We will provide direct debit details on request.

# Disputes

The Account Holder should give notice of any disputed debit to Zurich. Zurich will respond within 7 working days of receiving your letter. Alternatively, the Account Holder can take it up directly with the Account Holder's financial institution.

## **Dishonoured debits**

If a debit is unsuccessful, Zurich will cancel the payment in respect of the dishonoured debit. In some instances, such as where your account has insufficient funds, Zurich may notify you and attempt a second deduction from your account within 14 days. You should ensure that your account has sufficient funds before any second deduction. If we receive new information from you after a dishonour, Zurich will process a one-off debit to pay the policy up to date. If two consecutive dishonours occur, Zurich may cancel the authority. Zurich may charge a dishonour fee to the relevant policy. Currently the fee is nil. The financial institution may also charge fees relating to the dishonour to the account, which is the Account Holder's responsibility.

## **Confidential information**

Zurich may disclose information about your account to its banker (in connection with a claim made against it relating to an alleged incorrect or wrongful debit made from the account), your financial institution, your adviser and to other companies within the Zurich Financial Services Australia Group of companies and if applicable to Equity Trustee Superannuation Limited and Aon Hewitt Limited, on whose behalf Zurich collects contributions for the Zurich Insurance-only Superannuation Plan, a division of the Aon Master Trust, and service providers engaged by Zurich.

Zurich will not disclose information about you or the account to any other person, except where you have given consent or where the disclosure is required by law.

## Notices to Zurich

The Account Holder may give notice to Zurich by telephone on 131 551. Alternatively, you may write to us at Locked Bag 994, North Sydney NSW 2059.