

# Business Breakdown Cover Vehicle Rescue Policy

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### Welcome

Thank **you** for purchasing **your** Business Breakdown insurance from Start Rescue which is provided by Call Assist. Call Assist is the largest truly independent motor breakdown provider in the UK, **you** can therefore be assured **you** will be protected should **your vehicle** suffer a **breakdown**. **We** provide a 24-hour, 365 day a year service throughout the UK and Europe.

Please check **your policy schedule** to ensure **you** have the level of cover **you** need and read the following to help **you** use the service.



**Claims** can be reported via **our** app, online or by calling **us**. **We** also offer an SMS text messaging service for accessibility purposes.

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Download **our** free Start Rescue mobile app from the Google Play or Apple App Store. Once downloaded, click on 'Report Breakdown' and follow the simple step by step instructions.



# Report Online

Visit **our** website using the address below and enter **your** mobile number. **We** will send **you** a text message. Click on the link and follow the simple step by step instructions.

### www.startrescue.co.uk/info/need-assistance

# 📞 Phone

Call our 24 hour Control Centre on:

### 01206 785999

If you are unable to make a connection, please contact us on:

### 0333 320 0975

Calls to 0333 numbers are usually chargeable at a local rate from both UK landlines and mobile phones. These calls are usually included within network providers "free minutes" packages.

# ズ From Abroad

For assistance in the territorial limits (Europe), call us on:

### 00 44 1206 785999



# (\*) Accessibility Options

If **you** are deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired, **our** app and online reporting options will usually be most suitable. If **you** are unable to use **our** app or online option, please send a text message containing **your** full name, policy number, **vehicle** registration and policy postcode to:

### 07537 404890

#### Information we will need

Please have the following information ready to provide to **our rescue co-ordinator**, who will use this to validate **your** policy.

- 1. Your return telephone number
- 2. Your policy number and vehicle registration (these can be found on your policy schedule)
- 3. What has happened to your vehicle
- 4. The location of the vehicle (including a post code, GPS co-ordinates, or What3Words)
- 5. Whether your vehicle location will be accessible for a large truck
- 6. Your preferred recovery operator, if you have one

When reporting **your claim**, please let **us** know if there are any circumstances which may affect the handling of **your claim**, such as if **you** are towing something, travelling with animals, in an area exposed to extreme weather conditions, or if any of **your passengers** have any special requirements **we** may need to take into consideration.

#### What to do when you breakdown

If you require the attendance of a **recovery operator**, **we** will contact **you** to advise which **recovery operator** will be attending and approximately how long they are expected to take. Where possible, please ensure **your** mobile phone is available to accept calls at all times in case **we** need to contact **you**.

You will need to be with the **vehicle** when the **recovery operator** arrives. If **you** would prefer not to wait with the **vehicle** or it is unsafe to do so, please inform **our rescue co-ordinator** who will arrange a call on approach, so **you** have sufficient time to return to the **vehicle**. It is **your** responsibility to guard **your** safety and abide by the rules of the Highway Code. Please advise **our rescue co-ordinator** if **you** feel it is not safe to remain within eyesight of the **vehicle**.

In the event of a **breakdown** on a motorway where **you** have no means of contacting **us** or are unaware of **your** location, please use the nearest SOS box and advise the Emergency Services of **our** telephone number, they will then contact **us** to arrange assistance. If the Police or Highways Agency are present at the scene, please advise them that **you** have contacted **us** and provide them with **our** telephone number to call **us** on **your** behalf.

### 2. Policy Benefits



Please read the following benefits of cover in accordance with the level of cover **you** have purchased, which is detailed on **your policy schedule.** 

#### UK Roadside The following benefits are provided with all levels of cover.

#### **Roadside Assistance & Home Assist**

In the event of a **breakdown** occurring within the **territorial limits (UK)**, **we** will pay for a **recovery operator** to attend the **breakdown** and where they deem appropriate, they will spend up to 60 minutes to try and repair the **vehicle**.

#### Local Recovery up to 10 Miles

If, in the opinion of the **recovery operator**, they are unable to repair the **vehicle** within 60 minutes at the roadside, **we** will: -

- **Either**: pay for the **vehicle** and **passengers** to be recovered to the nearest **suitable garage** which is able to undertake the repair within 10 miles from the scene of the **breakdown**;
- Or: if the above is not possible at the time or the repair cannot be made within the same working day, **we** will pay for the **vehicle** and **passengers** to be transported to **your** chosen destination up to 10 miles from the scene of the **breakdown**.

Recovery of the **vehicle** and **passengers** must take place at the same time as the initial **callout** otherwise **you** will have to pay for additional **callout** charges.

If the **vehicle** requires recovery, **you** must immediately inform **our rescue co-ordinator** of the address **you** would like the **vehicle** taken to. Once the **vehicle** has been delivered to the nominated address, the **vehicle** will be left at **your** own risk and no further recovery costs will be covered in relation to the **claim**.

#### Alternative Travel in the UK

In the event of a **breakdown** within the **territorial limits (UK)** which occurs more than 20 miles from the **driver's home address**, we will pay up to £250 towards the reasonable cost of:

Either: standard class public transport tickets;

**Or:** an 'Economy' class hire car (including the costs of insurance and/or excess reduction fees)

to enable the **passengers** to complete one single journey to either **your** original destination, or return to the **driver's home address** 

This benefit shall only be provided where:

- the vehicle cannot be repaired within the same working day; and
- you opt to have your vehicle recovered to the nearest suitable garage to the breakdown location for repairs; and

We will also pay up to £150 towards the reasonable cost of alternative transport for one person to return and collect the repaired **vehicle**.



This benefit is in place to assist with the movement of **passengers** only, it is not designed to cover the cost of hiring a van or commercial vehicle.

#### **Emergency Overnight Accommodation in the UK**

If **you** are eligible for the **Alternative Travel** benefit above but would instead prefer to stay overnight close to where the **vehicle** is being repaired, **we** will pay up to £150 for a lone traveller or £75 per person towards the reasonable cost of overnight accommodation including breakfast for the **passengers** whilst the **vehicle** is being repaired. **We** will also pay reasonable expenses for the **passengers** to travel to their Emergency Overnight Accommodation. The maximum payment under this Emergency Overnight Accommodation benefit is £500 per **claim**.

#### **Misfuel Assist**

In the event **your vehicle**'s fuel tank is filled with the incorrect type of fuel, **we** will pay up to £250 (inclusive of VAT) towards:

- a fuel drain and flush to be completed at the roadside; or
- the recovery of **your vehicle** and **passengers** to the nearest **suitable repairer** (within 10 miles) and their reasonable costs to drain and flush to **your vehicle**'s fuel tank; and
- 5 litres of correct fuel.

Occasionally misfuelling a **vehicle** can cause extensive damage which a fuel drain and flush will not rectify. This policy does not cover repairs for damage in excess of £250.

#### **Caravans and Trailers**

In the event of a **breakdown** where a caravan/trailer is attached, providing the caravan/trailer is fitted with a standard 50mm tow ball coupling hitch and does not exceed 7 metres/23 feet in length (not including the length of the A-frame and hitch), **we** will also pay for the caravan/trailer to be recovered with the **vehicle**.

#### Keys

If you lose, break, or lock your vehicle keys within the vehicle, we will pay the callout and mileage charges back to the recovery operator's base or your preferred destination if closer. All other costs, including any specialist equipment needed to move the vehicle or secure storage costs will not be covered.

#### **Message Service**

If **you** require, **we** will pass on two messages to **your** home or place of work to let them know of **your** predicament and ease **your** worry.

# **UK National**

If **you** have opted and paid for UK National cover, it includes the same benefits as UK Roadside cover, with the addition of National Recovery.

#### **National Recovery**

If the **vehicle** cannot be repaired within the same working day in accordance with UK Roadside cover, **we** will pay for the **vehicle** and **passengers** to be recovered to the **driver's home address** (or the



nearest **suitable garage** to the **driver's home address**) or if **you** would prefer and it is closer, **your** preferred destination within the **territorial limits (UK)**.

If the **vehicle** requires recovery, **you** must immediately inform **our rescue co-ordinator** of the address **you** would like the **vehicle** taken to. Recovery of the **vehicle** and **passengers** must take place at the same time as the initial **callout** otherwise **you** will have to pay for subsequent **callout** charges. Once the **vehicle** has been delivered to the nominated address, the **vehicle** will be left at **your** own risk and no further recovery costs will be covered in relation to the **claim**.

Laws and regulations limit the number of hours **recovery operators** can drive for. Regular breaks and/or 'changeovers' to a different **recovery operator** will often be required when transporting the **vehicle** prolonging the time it takes for the recovery to be completed. In some cases, it will be necessary to store the **vehicle** and deliver it at a later date. If this is necessary, **we** will pay reasonable travel expenses for the **passengers** to travel separately to the **vehicle**. If **you** would prefer to utilise **your** preferred **recovery operator**, please make this known to **our rescue coordinator**. **We** reserve the right not to authorise costs where **we** can make arrangements more cost effectively.

### **UK & Europe**

If **you** have opted and paid for UK & European cover, it includes all of the same benefits as UK National cover, with the addition of Pre-Departure Cover, Driver Illness/Injury Cover and assistance within the **territorial limits (Europe)**.

#### **Pre-Departure Cover**

In the event of a **breakdown** within the **territorial limits (UK)** which occurs no more than 7 days prior to a pre-booked **trip** to the **territorial limits (Europe)**, providing the **vehicle** cannot be repaired by **your** intended departure date and **we** are immediately notified of the **breakdown**, **we** will pay up to £500 towards:

- the rental of a hire vehicle which we deem is appropriate for the purpose of your original trip; or
- the cost of rebooking **your** original sea or motorail crossing to the nearest available date once the **vehicle** has been repaired.

Cover will only apply if **you** can evidence in writing the duration of **your** planned **trip** was for less than 90 days.

We will only reimburse claims when we are in receipt of:

- valid proof of payment for the hire vehicle or the rebooked sea/motorail crossing tickets, together with copies of your original sea/motorail crossing tickets; and
- evidence from a suitable garage detailing the repairs made to the vehicle.

Pre-Departure Cover does not apply for any **breakdown** occurring within 10 days of **you** purchasing/upgrading this policy, or in the event the imminent or actual **breakdown** of the **vehicle** is discovered during an MOT or service carried out within 10 days prior to **your** intended departure.

#### **Driver Illness/Injury**

If you are unable to continue a journey in the vehicle within the territorial limits (UK) or territorial



**limits (Europe)** due to illness or injury to the driver of the **vehicle**, **we** will pay up to £500 in total towards:

- the cost of hiring an alternative driver to return the vehicle to your nominated destination within the territorial limits (UK); or
- the recovery of the vehicle to your nominated destination within the territorial limits (UK); and
- if any **passengers** are unable to accompany the **vehicle**: the reasonable alternative transport costs for the **passengers** to reach the same destination as the **vehicle**.

Payment of this benefit will be contingent upon **you** providing **us** with a medical certificate proving **you** are unable to drive. No more than £500 will be paid in relation to a **claim** made under this benefit.

#### **Roadside Assistance Abroad**

In the event of a **breakdown** occurring within the **territorial limits (Europe)**, **we** will pay for a **recovery operator** to attend the **breakdown** and where they deem appropriate, spend up to 60 minutes to try and repair the **vehicle**.

If, in the opinion of the **recovery operator**, they are unable to repair the **vehicle** within 60 minutes at the roadside, **we** will pay for the **vehicle** and **passengers** to be recovered to the nearest **suitable garage** which is able to undertake the repair.

In some countries, it may be necessary to initially store the **vehicle** and deliver it to the nearest **suitable garage** at a later date.

As with **breakdowns** occurring in the UK, it is **your** responsibility to appoint a **suitable garage** and oversee any repairs undertaken to the **vehicle**. We can help to locate a **suitable garage** and where possible, assist with translation, but **we** bear no responsibility for the services provided by any **suitable garage**. Some garages abroad will charge 'diagnostic fees' in order to issue a quotation for repairs. Diagnostic fees, together with any re-assembly fees are not covered by this policy.

Access to some motorways and major public roads within the **territorial limits (Europe)** may be restricted to a private towing service only. Should this occur, **you** will need to obtain assistance via the SOS phones. The private towing service will tow the **vehicle** to a place of safety and **you** will be required to pay for the service immediately. **You** can then contact **us** for further assistance. **We** will pay a maximum of £150 towards private towing services, but **we** will only reimburse **claims** when **we** are in receipt of valid proof of payment.

#### **Recovery and Repatriation Abroad**

If the **vehicle** cannot be repaired within 48 hours or by **your** intended return, whichever is due to occur last, **we** will:

- Either: pay for the vehicle and passengers to be transported to the driver's home address;
- Or: if you would prefer and it is closer, your original destination within the territorial limits (Europe).

The mode of transportation for you and your passengers will be at our discretion.

Transporting **vehicles** back to the UK from abroad is usually a complex process which takes time, often several weeks. If **you** would like to arrange the repatriation of **your vehicle** independently or



extend **your trip** to wait for it to be repaired abroad, please discuss this with **our rescue co-ordinator** who will be able to consider how much **we** could contribute towards this.

#### Alternative Travel Abroad

In the event of a **breakdown** within the **territorial limits (Europe)**, **we** will pay up to £500 towards either the reasonable cost of **our** choice of public transport or an 'Economy' class hire car to enable the **passengers** to continue the **trip** whilst the **vehicle** remains unroadworthy.

We will also pay up to £200 towards the reasonable cost of alternative travel for two people to return and collect the repaired **vehicle**.

This benefit is in place to assist with the movement of **passengers** only, it is not designed to cover the cost of hiring a van or commercial vehicle. This policy will cover the costs of insurance and/or excess reduction fees in relation to hire cars, subject to the overall cost of Alternative Travel falling within the limits detailed in this section of cover.

Please bear in mind **you** may be unable to find a suitable hire car during peak season abroad and only other forms of alternative transport may be available to **you**.

Any travel costs associated with collecting/returning a hire car would be deducted from the £500 and £200 limits.

#### **Emergency Overnight Accommodation Abroad**

In the event of a **breakdown** within the **territorial limits (Europe)** where the **vehicle** cannot be repaired the same working day and which results in **you** not being able to stay at **your** pre-booked accommodation, **we** will pay up to £150 per person for one night towards the reasonable cost of emergency overnight accommodation including breakfast for all **passengers**. The maximum payment per incident for this benefit is £1,000 per **claim**.

This benefit does not include any costs associated with travelling to/from **your** Emergency Overnight Accommodation, however such costs can be considered under the Alternative Travel Abroad section above.

#### **Shipping of Spare Parts**

Where it is more efficient and cost effective to do so, **we** will pay the reasonable cost of shipping replacement parts to the repairing garage within the **territorial limits (Europe)**. You will be responsible for the cost of the replacement parts.

#### **General Notes Relating to European Cover**

If **you** have paid for UK & Europe cover, **we** will provide service in the **territorial limits (Europe)** where the maximum duration of any single **trip** does not exceed 90 days. However short-term policies (those with a **period of insurance** lasting one month or less) will be limited to a single **trip** not exceeding the **period of insurance**.

Due to differing national standards and infrastructures within the **territorial limits (Europe)**, assistance may take longer in arriving. **We** will need to know details of **your** itinerary and if requested proof of both **your** outbound and inbound travel dates must be provided to validate **your claim**. **You** must remain contactable to avoid any delays. During peak season and public holidays, many services such as repairing garages will be fully booked or closed.

# 2. Policy Benefits



#### **Before You Travel – Checklist**

To ensure this cover is sufficient for your requirements and that you are aware of how **claims** outside the UK are handled, **you** should read the terms and conditions of this policy and **your policy schedule** before travelling. In addition, please make sure **you** have the following original documents and other items with you:

- credit card (required for hire cars and some hotels); and
- driving licence; and
- V5C registration document for your vehicle; and
- International Driving Permit (if needed for the countries you'll be driving in); and
- proof of outbound and inbound travel dates; and
- your travel itinerary.

We will not pay for additional costs incurred as a result of any of these documents not being immediately available.

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#### **Statement of Demands and Needs**

This policy meets the demands and needs of persons wishing to ensure that they are covered in the event of a **breakdown**.

As with any insurance, it does not cover all situations and **you** should read the terms and conditions of this policy to make sure that it meets **your** specific needs.

#### **Reclaim Procedure**

All benefits may be offered on a pay/claim basis which means that **you** must pay initially and **we** will reimburse **you**. If a benefit is not offered on a pay/claim basis but **you** would prefer to make **your** own arrangements, please notify **our rescue co-ordinator**.

Before paying for any services which **you** intend on reclaiming, authorisation must be obtained from **our rescue co-ordinator**.

Please send copies of any itemised receipt(s) to reimbursements@call-assist.co.uk and **we** will reimburse valid costs once these have been verified/processed by **us**.

When **we** are reimbursing costs settled in a currency other than pound sterling (GBP), payment will be made in accordance with the exchange rate on the date of the **claim**.

#### **Uninsured Service**

**We** can usually provide assistance for services which are not covered under this insurance policy. All costs (including an administration fee) must be paid for immediately by credit or debit card.

#### **Change of Vehicle**

**Our** policy only covers the **vehicle** registered on **our** database, therefore any change must be notified immediately by logging in online to **our** website's **Business Lounge**. We may require payment for some **vehicle** changes and **we** reserve the right to refuse to add a **vehicle** which had previously been registered on **your** policy in the same **period of insurance**. There will be no refund due for vehicles which have been removed from cover.

#### **Discussing Your Policy**

Should **you** wish to discuss any aspect of **your** policy, **you** can contact **us** using any of the options below.

Mail:	Customer Services, Start Rescue c/o Call Assist Ltd, Axis Court, North Station Road, Colchester, Essex CO1 1UX
Email:	customerservices@startrescue.co.uk
Online:	https://www.startrescue.co.uk/contact-us
Telephone:	01206 655000

#### **Fair Usage Limits**

This policy is subject to both a limit on the number of **claims**, and a limit on the total cost of **claims**, as detailed below.



#### Number of Claims

Your policy schedule details the maximum number of claims you may make on this policy during the **period of insurance**. This is calculated as 300% of the number of **vehicles** on cover. For example, a policy covering 10 **vehicles** would have an overall claim limit of 30 claims. On a single vehicle policy, there would be an overall claim limit of 3 claims.

For multiple **vehicle** policies, no more than four **claims** can be made for the same **vehicle** during the **period of insurance**.

#### **Cost of Claims**

The default limit for the total level of indemnity offered by this policy is £10,000. However, if **your** policy covers more than 20 **vehicles** at the point of **claim**, this limit shall increase by £500 for each additional **vehicle** on cover.

For example, if **your** policy covers 10 **vehicles** at the point of **claim**, this policy will not cover more than £10,000 in **claims** costs during the **period of insurance**.

Your claims experience may be taken into consideration before we decide to offer renewal of this policy. In some cases, we may decide not to offer renewal and you may not be able to purchase cover with us in the future.

#### **Governing Law**

This policy will be governed by English Law, and **you** and **we** agree to submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales.

#### Language

The contractual terms and conditions, communication and other information relating to this contract will be in the English language.

#### **Measurements**

All measurements are calculated using driving distances.

#### **Garage Repairs**

Any repairs undertaken either by a separate garage or a **recovery operator** at their premises are provided under a separate contract, which is between **you** and the repairer.

#### Signing Documentation

You may be asked to sign documents by the **recovery operator** which relate to the service being provided. Whilst **you** are not required to sign such documents, failure to do so may result in further services being denied. Please do not sign any documents until **you** have read and understood the content in full. In the event **you** require assistance with understanding such documents, please contact **us** on 01206 785999.

#### **Estimated Arrival Times**

Where **we** arrange for a **recovery operator** to attend **your vehicle**, **we** will provide an estimated time of arrival. Please note this estimate can change based on the availability of **recovery operators** at the time. We cannot guarantee the arrival of a **recovery operator** within a specified amount of time. If



you would prefer to organise your own assistance, please obtain authorisation from our rescue coordinator before arranging this.

#### **Emergency Repairs**

Emergency repairs undertaken at the roadside by **recovery operators** cannot be guaranteed and in some cases, will not be attempted. Due to the nature of roadside assistance, it is not always possible for **recovery operators** to accurately diagnose the fault with the **vehicle** or state whether the **vehicle** is in a roadworthy condition or otherwise safe to drive. **Recovery operators** are not instructed to conduct **vehicle** health inspections.

# 4. Definitions



#### Accident

A collision immediately rendering the **vehicle** immobile or unsafe to drive.

#### **Breakdown**

An electrical or mechanical failure, lack of fuel, lack of charge, misfuel, flat battery, puncture to the **vehicle** or **accident**, which immediately renders the **vehicle** immobilised or unsafe to drive.

#### **Business Lounge**

The area of **our** website which allows **you** to make changes to **your** policy, which can be accessed via www.startrescue.co.uk/business-lounge.

#### Callout

The deployment of a **recovery operator** to the **vehicle**.

#### Claim

Each **breakdown** or similar incident resulting in **us** paying **you** or a supplier (or both) for costs covered by this policy.

#### **Driver's Home Address**

The address of where the driver of the **vehicle** resides in the UK.

#### **Passengers**

All non-fare paying persons travelling with the **vehicle** at the time of the **breakdown**, up to the legal carrying capacity of the **vehicle**.

#### **Period of Insurance**

The duration of this policy as indicated on **your policy schedule** for a period not exceeding twelve months.

#### **Policy Address**

The last known correspondence address **you** notified to **us**.

#### **Policy Schedule**

The document provided by **us** detailing the **period of insurance**, eligible **vehicle**(s), **vehicle usage**, and level of cover.

#### **Recovery Operator**

The independent technician appointed to attend the **breakdown**.

#### **Rescue Co-ordinator**

The telephone operator employed by Call Assist Ltd.

#### **Specialist Equipment**

Non-standard apparatus or recovery vehicles which in the opinion of the **recovery operator** are required to recover the **vehicle**. **Specialist equipment** includes but is not limited to winching, skates, sliders, dolly wheels, donor wheels and a crane lift.

#### **Suitable Garage**

Any appropriately qualified mechanic or garage which is suitable for the type of repair required and where the remedial work undertaken can be evidenced in writing.

#### **Territorial Limits (Europe)**

Andorra, Austria, Balearics, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canary Isles, Corsica, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Gibraltar, Greece, Guernsey, Hungary, Italy, Jersey, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Ireland, Romania, San Marino, Sardinia, Serbia, Sicily, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and Vatican City.

#### **Territorial Limits (UK)**

Great Britain, Northern Ireland and for non-residents the Isle of Man.

#### Trip

A journey to the **territorial limits (Europe)** which is planned to start during the **period of insurance**. The **trip** start date shall be the date of **your** departure from the **territorial limits (UK)** and the **trip** end date shall be the date of **your** intended return to the **territorial limits (UK)**.

#### Us, We, Our

In respect of administering **your** policy and handling **your claim**: startrescue.co.uk which is a trading style of Call Assist Ltd.

In respect of the liability for indemnities provided by this policy: DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited.

### 4. Definitions



#### Vehicle

The **vehicle**(s) shown on **your policy schedule** as being eligible for cover.

#### Vehicle Usage

#### **Non-Hire & Reward**

Cars, motorcycles, vans and commercial **vehicles** used for personal and business use, and carriage of own goods and tools, not including **vehicles** used for hire and reward or goods delivery.

#### Self-Drive Hire

Cars, vans and commercial **vehicles** which **you** rent to third parties under a rental agreement.

#### **Public & Private Hire**

Cars and taxis used for public or private hire. Vehicles used for both taxi and courier services should be declared as 'Courier / Goods Delivery' vehicles, as they will not be eligible for cover under this usage. Public & Private Hire is not available for vehicles over 3.5 tonnes GVW. This policy does not cover minibuses.

#### **Courier / Goods Delivery**

Cars, motorcycles, vans or commercial **vehicles** used for parcel and document delivery, fast food delivery, grocery or goods delivery. Cover is not available for **vehicles** transporting refrigerated or hazardous loads.

#### You, Your

The person, sole trader, company or partnership named as the policyholder in the **policy schedule** and any authorised driver of the **vehicle** when a **breakdown** occurs.



#### **Exclusions**

Applying to all sections unless otherwise stated.

This insurance does not cover the following: -

 a) The recovery of any caravan/trailer where the total length of the caravan/trailer exceeds 7 metres/23 feet (not including the length of the A-frame and hitch) or where it is not attached to the **vehicle** with a standard 50mm tow ball coupling hitch.
 b) **Breakdowns** or accidents to the

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- 2. Any **vehicle** which is not listed on **your policy schedule** as being eligible for **breakdown** cover.
- Vehicles with refrigerated loads, livestock, or hazardous chemicals, buses, coaches, minibuses, limousines or vehicles with more than ten seats, motorhomes, horseboxes, or agricultural machinery or any vehicle usage not included in the vehicle usage definition.
- 4. Claims for vehicles with the incorrect vehicle usage listed on your policy schedule.
- The cost of any parts, components or materials used to repair the vehicle. If the vehicle can be repaired at the roadside, you can either pay for any parts supplied and fitted or pay for the vehicle to be recovered.
- 6. Repair and labour costs other than up to 60 minutes roadside labour at the scene of the **breakdown**.
- Any costs which were not expressly agreed by us prior to being incurred. We reserve the right not to authorise costs where we can make arrangements more cost effectively.
- The cost of food (apart from breakfast when Emergency Overnight Accommodation is provided), drinks, telephone calls or other incidentals.
- 9. The cost of fuel, oil, or other consumables when hiring a vehicle.
- 10. Assistance following theft, attempted theft, vandalism, or fire.

- 11. The recovery of the **vehicle** and **passengers** beyond the nearest **suitable garage** if repairs can be carried out within the timescales described within this policy, irrespective as to whether **you** have adequate funds for the repair or wish to claim under a warranty.
- 12. Emergency Overnight Accommodation or Alternative Travel charges if repairs can be carried out at or near the scene of the **breakdown** within the same working day.
- Breakdowns caused by a failure to maintain the vehicle in a roadworthy condition including the routine servicing of the vehicle in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations or maintaining proper levels of oil and water.
- 14. Costs incurred in addition to a standard **callout** and recovery further than 10 miles where service cannot be undertaken at the roadside because the **vehicle** is not carrying a serviceable spare wheel, aerosol repair kit, appropriate jack or, the locking mechanisms for the wheels are not immediately available to remove the wheels. This exclusion does not apply to motorcycles, scooters or **vehicles** which are not able to carry spare wheels or where the aerosol repair kit cannot repair the puncture.
- 15. **Specialist Equipment**, additional manpower and/or recovery vehicles, or a recovery further than 10 miles from the scene of the **breakdown** if the **vehicle** is immobilised due to snow, mud, sand, water, ice or a flood.
- 16. Any request for service if the **vehicle** is being used for motor racing, rallies, or any contest or speed trial or practice for any of these activities.
- 17. Breakdowns caused by overloading or where the vehicle is overloaded or carrying more passengers than it is designed to carry at the time of breakdown.
- Any damage or loss to the vehicle or its contents (including any personal possessions, loads, tools and equipment).
   We cannot guarantee response/recovery times and it is your responsibility to



manage the **vehicle's** contents at all times. **You** should notify **us** if **you** need more time to remove any contents prior to the **vehicle** being recovered.

- 19. Nothing in this policy limits **our** liability for death or personal injury caused by the negligence of **us** or **our** employees or for any liability which may not lawfully be limited or excluded. This policy is not a motor liability insurance policy within the meaning of Part VI of the Road Traffic Act 1988.
- 20. We will not pay for any losses that are not directly covered by the terms and conditions of this policy. For example, we will not pay for any loss of earnings, missed appointments, loss in value of goods carried, or loss of income relating to commercial contracts.
- Direct or indirect loss, damage or liability caused by, contributed to or arising from:

   a) lonising radiation or contamination by radioactivity from an irradiated nuclear fuel or from nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel.

b) The radioactive, toxic, explosive or other hazardous properties of any nuclear assembly or nuclear component thereof.
c) Any results of war, invasion, act of foreign enemy, hostilities (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, military or usurped power.
d) The result of an interplanetary coronal mass ejection.

e) Large scale computer malfunction or malicious cyber activity.

- 22. Any false, fraudulent, or exaggerated claims. We reserve to repudiate the total claim where any aspect has been found to be exaggerated.
- 23. Any cost incurred as a result of **your** failure to remain contactable, or comply with reasonable requests by **us** or the **recovery operator** concerning the assistance being provided.
- 24. Fines and penalties imposed by courts.
- 25. Any subsequent **callouts** for any symptoms related to a **claim** which has been made within the last 28 days, unless the **vehicle** has been fully repaired at a **suitable garage**, declared fit to drive by

the **recovery operator**, or is in transit to a pre-booked appointment at a **suitable** garage.

- 26. Any cost recoverable under any other insurance policy that **you** may have. **You** agree to assign **your** rights of recovery against any third party for **claims** costs paid by **us** in relation to this policy and **you** shall co-operate with **us** to achieve this where reasonably required.
- 27. Storage charges unless incurred whilst we organise repatriation from the territorial limits (Europe).
- 28. Any costs incurred to attend the **vehicle** due to faults with electric windows, sun roofs, broken windows/windscreens or locks not working, unless the fault occurs during the course of a journey and **your** safety is compromised.
- 29. Assistance if the **vehicle** is dangerous to transport or cannot lawfully be driven on the public highway, for example where the vehicle isn't roadworthy, insured, taxed (unless exempt) or doesn't hold a valid MOT (unless exempt).
- 30. Transport costs to collect the **vehicle** once it has been inspected or repaired (unless expressly covered under the applicable Alternative Travel benefit) or recovery of the **vehicle** once it has been inspected or repaired.
- 31. Any cost that would have been incurred if no **claim** had arisen.
- 32. A request for service following any intentional or wilful damage caused by **you** to the **vehicle**.
- 33. The use of **specialist equipment** occasionally required because the **vehicle** is not between the kerbs, it has modifications, or nearby obstructions are impeding the usual method of recovery.
- 34. Any **breakdown** occurring or reported outside the **period of insurance**.
- 35. Any **breakdown** occurring or reported within 24 hours of the time the policy was purchased, amended or upgraded. The 24 hour inception delay does not apply when renewing a policy.
- 36. Any **breakdown** that occurred before the **vehicle** was placed on cover, or before the policy was upgraded.

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37. Any breakdown of a vehicle bearing trade plates or where we have reason to believe the vehicle has just been imported, purchased at auction or where we believe the vehicle is being transported in connection with the motor trade e.g. to or from an auction house.

# Additional exclusions applying to the European Assistance

- 38. Cover in the **territorial limits (Europe)** for **vehicles** with a gross vehicle weight in excess of 3.5 tonnes.
- 39. The cost of recovery from a European motorway exceeding £150.
- 40. Repatriation of the **vehicle** or **passengers** to the UK within 48 hours of the original **breakdown**, regardless of any pre-arranged appointments **you** have.
- 41. Import duties unrelated to the **vehicle** for example, for items carried in the **vehicle**.
- 42. All costs relating to a **claim** where a customs officer or any other official finds illegal contents in the **vehicle**.
- 43. Any **claim** where the duration of a single **trip** is planned to or subsequently exceeds 90 days.

#### **General Conditions**

The following conditions apply to all policies.

- 1. We will provide cover if you have met all the terms and conditions within this insurance and the information provided to us, as far as you are aware, is correct.
- Regardless of circumstances, we will not be held liable for any costs incurred if you are unable to make a telephone connection to any numbers provided or our Mobile Phone app services. If you are unable to make a connection on any of the numbers provided, please call on:

### 01603 327180.

- 3. The policy is not transferable to another policyholder.
- Details of your cover may not reach us by the time assistance is required. In this unlikely event, we will assist you however, before assistance can be

provided **we** will ask to take a preauthorisation on a credit or debit card for the estimated cost of the assistance. If **we** receive confirmation that **you** have adequate cover the reserved funds will be released. If **we** receive confirmation that **you** do not have adequate cover **we** will take payment for any uninsured costs.

- 5. **We** may decline service if **you** have an outstanding debt with **us**.
- 6. If a callout is cancelled by you and a recovery operator has already been dispatched, we recommend you wait for assistance to ensure the vehicle is functioning correctly. If you do not wait for assistance and the vehicle breaks down again within 12 hours, you will be charged for the second and any subsequent callouts.
- 7. We have the right to refuse service and/or cancel your policy if you or the passengers are being obstructive in allowing us to provide the most appropriate assistance or are abusive to our rescue co-ordinator(s) or the recovery operator(s).
- In the event you use the service and the claim is subsequently found not to be covered by the policy you have purchased, we reserve the right to reclaim any monies from you in order to pay for the uninsured service.
- 9. If in our opinion the vehicle is beyond economical repair or the cost of the claim is likely to exceed the market value of the vehicle in its current condition following the **breakdown**, **we** have the option to pay you the market value of the vehicle in its current condition and pay you reasonable public transport costs for the passengers to return to the driver's home address. It will be your responsibility to apply for a Certificate of Destruction or other such document and you will be required to pay for any storage costs whilst this is obtained and any costs to dispose of the vehicle. If you would prefer the vehicle to be transported to the driver's home address or original destination, this can be arranged, but **you** will need to pay any

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costs which exceed the market value of the **vehicle** in its current condition. If the **vehicle** is beyond economical repair, **you** will have one week to advise **us** of how **you** wish to transport or dispose of the **vehicle**. If **you** do not contact **us** within one week **you** consent to **us** to dispose of the **vehicle**. We reserve the right to deduct any outstanding costs owed by **you**, in relation to the storage or disposal of the **vehicle**, from the payment made by **us** to **you** for the market value of the **vehicle**.

- It is your responsibility to ensure you have sufficient funds to initially pay for the benefits offered by this policy. If funds are not immediately available to you, please let us know and we will try to assist.
- 11. The transportation of livestock (including dogs) will be at the discretion of the **recovery operator**. We will endeavour to help arrange alternative transport, but any additional costs incurred as a result will not be covered by this policy.
- 12. We reserve the right to charge you for any costs incurred as a result of incorrect location details being provided.
- 13. The **vehicle(s)** must be registered to and ordinarily kept at an address within Great Britain and Northern Ireland.
- 14. **Vehicles** must be located within Great Britain and Northern Ireland when cover is purchased and commences.



#### **Automatic Renewal Protection**

Where Automatic Renewal Protection is available and **you** have selected to renew **your** policy using this method, **we** will attempt to renew **your** policy automatically when it is due to expire. This protects **you** to ensure that there is no break in insurance cover.

You can choose to opt in or out of Automatic Renewal Protection at any time during the **period of insurance** by calling **our** Customer Services Department, or changing the settings online within the **Business Lounge**.

We will notify you within good time before your policy is due to expire of any changes to your cover, the insurance renewal premium, administration fee and the Terms and Conditions of the policy and your contract with us.

To automatically renew **your** policy, **your** previous year's payment card details will be stored by **our** Secure Payment Provider and processed in accordance with the Automatic Renewal Protection process detailed within this policy wording. If **your** bank account and/or card details change, **we** may request and receive from **your** bank/card provider, updated details to help continue to provide the services requested. Payment for **your** renewal, including the administration fee will be taken from **your** card up to 2 days before the policy is due to expire. By choosing this method of renewal, **you** understand that it is **your** responsibility to ensure that **you** keep **us** up to date with valid card payment details and that there are sufficient funds available to pay for the automatic renewal of **your** policy. Failure to do so will mean that **your** policy will not renew automatically, and unless separate payment is made, **your** policy will expire and **you** will not be entitled to any service under this policy.

If you have not chosen the Automatic Renewal Protection process, we will send your renewal invite by email, you will then need to contact our Customer Services Department or log in online to our website's **Business Lounge** to renew your policy.

#### **Cancellation by You**

This policy has a cooling off period of 14 days from the time **you** receive this information or **your** policy start date, whichever is the latter. If **you** do not wish to continue with the insurance, **we** will provide a refund of **your** insurance premium paid, providing no **claim** has been made.

You may cancel your policy after the 14 day cooling off period but no refund of your insurance premium is available.

A refund of premium is not available if the **period of insurance** of the policy is for a period of less than one month.

If you wish to cancel your policy, please call our Customer Services Department on 01206 655000. If you are unable to make a connection, please contact us on 0333 3202076.

#### **Cancellation by Us**

We have the right to cancel this policy at any time by sending 7 days notice to the **policy address** however we must have valid reasons for doing so. Valid reasons include but are not limited to:

- suspected or proven fraud, including any activity relating to the motor trade, as specified in exclusion 37;
- non-payment of premium when it is due;
- we discover you are no longer eligible for cover with us or a vehicle isn't being used in accordance with the declared vehicle usage;

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- if you are threatening or abusive to **our** staff or the people **we** instruct to assist with **your breakdown**, including the **recovery operators**; or
- it is evident **you** have failed to maintain the **vehicle** in a roadworthy condition including not having the **vehicle** routinely serviced in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

In such situations, providing no **claim** has been made within the first 6 months from the inception date of **your** policy, **we** will refund **your** premium in full. Where **you** have received a service or where the policy has been in force for a period of more than 6 months, no premium refund will be available to **you**. Cancelling **your** policy will be in addition to any other legal rights **we** may have.



#### Your Personal Data

Call Assist Ltd t/a Start Rescue ("Start Rescue") collect and maintain personal data as an independent Data Controller in order to administer this policy and provide the services detailed within this policy wording.

DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited ("DAS"), the insurer of this policy, also acts as independent Data Controller in its own right.

Both Start Rescue and DAS have different purposes for collecting, using, sharing, transferring and storing **your** information. The details provided here are only a summary of how Start Rescue collect, use, share, transfer and store **your** personal data. Therefore, please make sure **you** read both company's full Privacy Policies with care.

Please note that all personal data that is held by the Data Controllers is safeguarded with appropriate levels of security and in accordance with prevailing Data Protection legislation which includes the Data Protection Act 2018, the United Kingdom General Data Protection Regulation (the UK GDPR) and all other Applicable Laws, and any successor or replacement legislation relating to the processing of personal data.

#### **Full Privacy Policies**

Start Rescue's full Privacy Policy can be accessed online via www.startrescue.co.uk/info/privacy. Enquiries in relation to personal data held by Start Rescue should be directed to the Data Protection Officer, Call Assist Ltd, Axis Court, North Station Road, Colchester, Essex CO1 1UX or by emailing DPO@call-assist.co.uk.

DAS' full Privacy Policy can be accessed online via www.das.co.uk/legal/privacy-statement. Enquiries in relation to personal data held by DAS should be directed to the Data Protection Officer, DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Ltd, DAS Parc, Greenway Court, Bedwas, Caerphilly, CF83 8DW or by emailing dataprotection@das.uk.

#### **Sharing Your Personal Data**

We will only share your personal data in the following circumstances:

- it has been authorised by **you**;
- it is with regulatory bodies;
- it is with fraud prevention and credit reference agencies;
- it is required by law;
- it is being provided to recovery operators or other suppliers as required to fulfil our contractual and legal obligations in this Policy Wording and in which case your personal data will be limited to the minimum ordinarily required for service provision only. Additionally, these suppliers will only be able to use your data to provide the specific services described in this Policy;
- it is necessary for **us** to exercise **our** rights of subrogation as outlined in exclusion 26.

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#### Your rights

Under the terms of Data Protection legislation, **you** have a number of rights in relation to the information **we** hold about **you**. This includes the right to:

- ask for a free copy of any personal data **we** hold about **you**;
- ask for correction of any inaccurate information held;
- complain to the Information Commissioner's Office if you are not satisfied with our use of your data;
- object to the processing of your personal data where we are relying on a legitimate interest, and there is something about your particular situation which makes you want to object to processing it;
- ask for the processing of **your** personal data to be restricted. This enables **you** to ask **us** to suspend the processing of personal information about **you**;
- ask for **your** personal data to be transferred to another company;
- ask for your personal data to be deleted from our system/database;
- where we rely on your consent to process your personal data, you have the right to withdraw your consent at any time.

Please note that there are times when **we** will not be able to meet **your** requests in relation to data processing. This may be as a result of **us** fulfilling **our** legal and/or regulatory obligations. If **we** are unable to fulfil a request, **we** will always let **you** know **our** reasons.

Should **you** wish to exercise any of **your** rights under the Data Protection legislation, please direct **your** enquiry to the Data Protection Officer, Call Assist Ltd, Axis Court, North Station Road, Colchester, Essex CO1 1UX or by email to DPO@call-assist.co.uk.

#### **Collecting your information**

When **you** apply for breakdown cover with **us**, **we** will collect a variety of information about **you** including **your** personal data such as **your** name, address, contact details, date of birth and IP address (which is a unique number identifying **your** computer). Where relevant, **we** will also collect special categories of data (sensitive data) about **you** such as details regarding **your** health. **We** may also collect information from a number of different sources for example:

- from publicly available sources such as social media and networking sites when **you** interact with **us**. For example, sending **us** a message or entering into a competition.
- third party databases available to the insurance industry and firms, loss adjustors and/or suppliers appointed in the process of handling a **claim**.

#### Using your personal data

We only process the minimum amount of personal data we need in order to fulfil our purposes, and only where we have a lawful basis for doing so.

The legal basis **we** mainly rely on for processing personal data is Article 6(1)(b) of the UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR) which relates to processing necessary to allow **us** to perform **our** contract with **you** or to take steps at **your** request, before entering a contract. The purposes for

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which **we** will process **your** personal data on the basis of contract include to provide **you** with the appropriate policy quotation as well as to manage **your** policy which may include handling a **claim** or issuing documentation to **you**. **Our** assessment of **your** policy application may also involve an automated decision to determine whether **we** are able to provide **you** with a quotation. If **you** object to **your** personal data being processed by automated decision-making, then **we** will not be able to provide **you** with breakdown cover.

In some cases, **we** may use personal data to pursue **our** legitimate interests (Article 6(1)(f) of the UK GDPR), provided **your** interests and fundamental rights do not override those interests. The purposes for which **we** will process **your** personal data on the basis of legitimate interest include to carry out research and analysis (including profiling) for the purposes of better understanding **our** customers; and to record calls to **our** call centre for training and monitoring purposes.

We would also like to stay in contact with **you**, and will therefore send marketing communications to **you** but only where **you** have given **us** specific consent to do so (Article 6(1)(a) of the UK GDPR).

#### Keeping your personal data

**Your** data is considered to be an important asset to **us**, and as such, **we** implement technical and organisational measures to ensure the necessary measures are in place to prevent unauthorised or inappropriate access, use, modification, disclosure or destruction.

Measures we take to keep your data secure include, but are not limited to:

- making regular backups of files;
- protecting file servers and workstations with virus scanning software;
- using a system of passwords so that access to data is restricted;
- allowing only authorised staff into certain computer areas;
- using data encryption techniques to code data when in transit;
- ensuring that staff are only given sufficient rights to any systems to enable them to perform their job function.

#### Use and storage of your personal data

We will retain your personal data for a maximum of seven years from the end of the insurance relationship with Start Rescue, in line with **our** legal and regulatory requirements. In any situation where the retention period is longer, we will inform you of this.

Where possible, **we** will anonymise or remove **your** personal data that is no longer required for the purpose(s) for which it was obtained.

We will only keep your data for as long as is necessary to provide our products and services to you and/or to fulfil our legal and regulatory obligations.

**Your** data may be transferred to, stored or processed outside the UK and European Economic Area (EEA). Please see Start Rescue's online Privacy Policy for full details. **We** will not transfer **your** information outside the UK and EEA unless it is to a country which is considered to have equivalent data protection laws or where **we** have taken all reasonable steps as required by law to ensure the recipient company has suitable standards in place to protect it.



#### **Complaints Procedure**

We aim to provide a high standard of service. Please telephone **us** if **you** feel **we** have not achieved this and **we** will do **our** best to rectify the problem immediately.

Any complaint **you** have regarding **your** policy should be addressed to Customer Services, Start Rescue c/o Call Assist Ltd, Axis Court, North Station Road, Colchester, Essex CO1 1UX.

Please include the details of **your** policy and in particular **your** policy number, to help **your** enquiry to be dealt with efficiently.

We promise to:

- acknowledge your complaint within five working days of receiving it;
- review your complaint with impartiality;
- tell you the name of the person managing your complaint when we send our acknowledgement letter; and
- respond to your complaint within 20 working days. If this is not possible for any reason, we will write to you to let you know when we will contact you again.

If **you** remain dissatisfied with **our** final decision or if **you** have not received **our** final decision within 8 weeks of **us** receiving **your** complaint, short of court action, **you** may be entitled to ask The Financial Ombudsman Service to review **your** case. The right to apply to the Ombudsman must be exercised within six months of the date of the Company's final decision. If **you** do not refer **your** complaint within six months of **our** final decision The Financial Ombudsman Service will not have **our** permission to review **your** case and will only be able to do so in limited circumstances, such as if the delay was due to exceptional circumstances.

The Financial Ombudsman Service can be contacted at the following address: The Financial Ombudsman Service, Exchange Tower, London E14 9SR. Or by telephoning: 0800 023 4567 (free from landlines) or 0300 123 9123 (free from some mobile phones) or email complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk.

For further information, **you** can also visit the website: www.financial-ombudsman.org. Following the complaints procedure does not affect **your** rights to take legal proceedings.

#### **Financial Services Compensation Scheme**

Should **we** be unable to meet **our** liabilities **you** may be entitled to compensation from the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. This depends on the type of insurance, the size of **your** business and the circumstances of the **claim**.

Further information about the compensation scheme arrangements is available from the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. Their telephone number is 0800 678 1100 or 020 77414100. Alternatively, more information can be found at www.fscs.org.uk.

#### **Service Provider and Insurer**

This service is provided by Start Rescue, a trading style of Call Assist Ltd. Registered in England and Wales. Registered Company Number 3668383. Registered office address: Axis Court, North Station Road, Colchester, Essex CO1 1UX.



The policy is underwritten by DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited. Registered in England and Wales. Registered Company Number 103274. Registered office address: DAS Parc, Greenway Court, Bedwas, Caerphilly, CF83 8DW.

Call Assist Ltd, Firm Reference Number 304838, is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority. DAS Legal Expenses Insurance Company Limited, Firm Reference Number 202106 is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority.

#### **Call Recording**

To help **us** provide a quality service, **your** telephone calls will be recorded for training and monitoring purposes.

#### **Cover Levels:**

UK Roadside	=	Roadside & Home Assistance, Local Recovery up to 10 Miles
UK National	=	Roadside & Home Assistance, National Recovery
UK & Europe	=	Roadside & Home Assist, National Recovery, European Assistance, and Driver Illness/Injury