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# TEXAS AUTO POLICY

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MUTUAL COMPANY PARTICIPATING NONASSESSABLE POLICY

THESE POLICY PROVISIONS ALONG WITH THE DECLARATIONS PAGE, APPLICATION, AND ENDORSEMENTS, IF ANY, ISSUED TO FORM A PART THEREOF, COMPLETE THIS POLICY.

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# **TEXAS AUTO POLICY**

#### **INSURING AGREEMENT**

In return for **your** payment of the premium, **we** agree to insure **you** subject to all the terms, conditions and limitations of this policy. **We** will insure **you** for the coverages and the limits of liability shown on this policy's **declarations page**. **Your** policy consists of the policy contract, **your** insurance application, the **declarations page**, and all endorsements to this policy.

# **GENERAL DEFINITIONS**

The following definitions apply throughout the policy. Defined terms are printed in boldface type and have the same meaning whether in the singular, plural, or any other form.

- 1. "Additional auto" means an auto and any land motor vehicle of the private passenger automobile, pickup body, utility vehicle or van type with a gross vehicle weight rating of 25,000 pounds or less whose primary use is not the delivery or transportation of goods, materials or supplies, unless their transport is related to farming or ranching, of which you become the owner of during the policy period that does not permanently replace an auto shown on the declarations page, if:
  - a. you notify us within 30 days of becoming the owner of the additional auto;
     and
  - b. **you** pay any additional premium due.

An additional auto will have the broadest coverage we provide for any auto shown on the declarations page. If you ask us to insure an additional auto more than 30 days after you become the owner, any coverage we provide will begin at the time you request coverage.

- 2. "Auto" means a land motor vehicle:
  - a. of the private passenger, pickup body, or cargo van type;
  - b. designed for operation principally upon public roads;
  - c. with at least four wheels; and
  - with a gross vehicle weight rating of 12,000 pounds or less, according to the manufacturer's specifications.

However, "auto" does not include step-vans, parcel delivery vans, or cargo cutaway vans or other vans with cabs separate from the cargo area.

- 3. "Auto business" means the business of selling, leasing, repairing, parking, storing, servicing, delivering or testing vehicles.
- 4. "Bodily injury" means bodily harm, sickness, or disease, including death that results from bodily harm, sickness, or disease.
- "Business day" means a day other than a Saturday, Sunday, or a holiday recognized by the state of Texas.
- 6. "Covered auto" means:
  - a. any auto or trailer shown on the declarations page for the coverages applicable to that auto or trailer;
  - b. any additional auto;

- c. any replacement auto; or
- d. a trailer owned by you.
- "Declarations page" means the document showing your coverages, limits of liability, covered autos, premium, and other policy-related information. The declarations page may also be referred to as the Auto Insurance Coverage Summary.
- 8. "Occupying" means in, upon, or getting in, on, out, or off.
- "Personal vehicle sharing program" means a system or process, operated by a business, organization, network, group, or individual, that facilitates the sharing of private passenger motor vehicles for use by individuals, businesses, or other entities.
- 10. "Relative" means a person residing in the same household as you, and related to you by blood, marriage or adoption, and includes a ward, stepchild, or foster child. Your unmarried dependent children temporarily away from home will qualify as a relative if they intend to continue to reside in your household.
- 11. "Replacement auto" means an auto that permanently replaces an auto shown on the declarations page. "Replacement auto" also means any land motor vehicle of the private passenger automobile, pickup body, utility vehicle or van type with a gross vehicle weight rating of 25,000 pounds or less whose primary use is not the delivery or transportation of goods, materials or supplies, unless their transport is related to farming or ranching. A replacement auto will have the same coverage as the auto it replaces. However, if the auto being replaced had or did not have coverage under Part IV—Damage To A Vehicle, such coverage will apply to the replacement auto only during the first 30 days after you become the owner unless you notify us within that 30-day period that you want us to extend coverage beyond the initial 30 days.
- 12. "Ride-sharing activity" means the use of any vehicle to provide transportation of persons or property in connection with a transportation network company from the time a driver logs on to, or signs in to, any online-enabled application, software, website or system until the time the driver logs out of, or signs off of, any such online-enabled application, software, website or system, whether or not the driver has accepted any passenger(s) or delivery assignment, including the time the driver is on the way to pick up any passenger(s) or property, or is transporting any passenger(s) or property.
- 13. "Trailer" means a non-motorized trailer, including a farm wagon or farm implement, designed to be towed on public roads by an **auto** and not being used:
  - a. for commercial purposes;
  - b. as an office, store, or for display purposes; or
  - c. as a passenger conveyance.
- 14. "Transportation network company" means a corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, or other entity that uses any online-enabled application, software, website or system to connect drivers with clients or passengers to facilitate and/or provide transportation or delivery services for compensation or a fee.
- 15. "We," "us" and "our" mean the underwriting company providing the insurance, as shown on the **declarations page**.

- 16. "You" and "your" mean:
  - a. a person shown as a named insured on the **declarations page**; and
  - b. the spouse of a named insured if:
    - (i) residing in the same household at the time of the loss; or
    - (ii) not residing in the same household during a period of separation in contemplation of divorce.

#### PART I—LIABILITY TO OTHERS

#### **INSURING AGREEMENT**

If you pay the premium for this coverage, we will pay damages for bodily injury and property damage for which an insured person becomes legally responsible because of an accident.

Damages include prejudgment interest awarded against an **insured person**.

**We** will settle or defend, at **our** option, any claim for damages covered by this Part I. **Our** duty to settle or defend ends when **our** limit of liability for this coverage has been exhausted.

#### **ADDITIONAL DEFINITIONS**

When used in this Part I:

- 1. "Insured person" means:
  - a. **you** or a **relative** with respect to an accident arising out of the ownership, maintenance or use of an **auto** or a **trailer**;
  - b. any person with respect to an accident arising out of that person's use of a **covered auto** with the permission of **you** or a **relative**;
  - c. any person or organization with respect only to vicarious liability for the acts or omissions of a person described in a. or b. above; and
  - d. any "Additional Interest" shown on the **declarations page** with respect only to its liability for the acts or omissions of a person described in a. or b. above.
- 2. "**Property damage**" means physical damage to, destruction of, or loss of use of, tangible property.

# **ADDITIONAL PAYMENTS**

In addition to **our** limit of liability, **we** will pay for an **insured person**:

- 1. all expenses we incur in the settlement of any claim or defense of any lawsuit;
- interest accruing after entry of judgment, until we have paid, offered to pay, or deposited in court, that portion of the judgment which does not exceed our limit of liability. This does not apply if we have not been given notice of suit or the opportunity to defend an insured person;
- the premium on any appeal bond or attachment bond required in any lawsuit we defend. We have no duty to purchase a bond in an amount exceeding our limit of liability, and we have no duty to apply for or furnish these bonds;

- up to \$250 for a bail bond required because of an accident resulting in **bodily in**jury or **property damage** covered under this Part I. We have no duty to apply for or furnish this bond; and
- reasonable expenses, including loss of earnings up to \$200 per day, incurred at our request.

# EXCLUSIONS—READ THE FOLLOWING EXCLUSIONS CAREFULLY. IF AN EXCLUSION APPLIES, COVERAGE WILL NOT BE AFFORDED UNDER THIS PART I.

Coverage under this Part I, including **our** duty to defend, will not apply to any **insured person** for:

- bodily injury or property damage arising out of the ownership, maintenance or use of any vehicle or trailer while it is:
  - a. being used to carry persons for compensation or a fee;
  - being used to carry property for compensation or a fee. This exclusion does not apply to **you** or a **relative**, unless the primary usage of the **auto** is to carry property for compensation or a fee;
  - rented or leased to another. This exclusion does not apply if you or a relative lends your covered auto to another at no charge other than for reimbursement of operating expenses;
  - d. being used for retail or wholesale delivery, including, but not limited to, the pickup, transport or delivery of magazines, newspapers, mail or food; or
  - e. for ride-sharing activity.

This exclusion does not apply to shared-expense car pools;

- bodily injury to an employee of that insured person arising out of or within the
  course of employment. This exclusion does not apply to domestic employees if
  benefits are neither paid nor required to be provided under workers' compensation,
  disability benefits, or similar laws;
- bodily injury or property damage arising out of an accident involving any vehicle
  while being maintained or used by a person while employed or engaged in any
  auto business. This exclusion does not apply to you or a relative, or an agent or
  employee of you or a relative, when using a covered auto;
- bodily injury or property damage resulting from, or sustained during practice or preparation for:
  - a. any pre-arranged or organized racing, stunting, speed or demolition contest or activity; or
  - any driving activity conducted on a permanent or temporary racetrack or racecourse;
- 5. **bodily injury** or **property damage** due to a nuclear reaction or radiation;
- 6 bodily injury or property damage for which insurance:
  - a. is afforded under a nuclear energy liability insurance contract; or
  - b. would be afforded under a nuclear energy liability insurance contract but for its termination upon exhaustion of its limit of liability;
- any obligation for which the United States Government is liable under the Federal Tort Claims Act;
- 8. bodily injury or property damage caused by an intentional act of that insured

- **person**, or at the direction of that **insured person**, even if the actual injury or damage is different than that which was intended or expected;
- property damage to any property owned by, rented to, being transported by, used by, or in the charge of that insured person. This exclusion does not apply to a rented residence or garage;
- bodily injury to you or any relative, except to the extent of the minimum limits of liability coverage required by the Texas Transportation Code Chapter 601, entitled "Motor Vehicle Safety-Responsibility Act":
- bodily injury or property damage arising out of the ownership, maintenance or use of any vehicle owned by you or furnished or available for your regular use, other than a covered auto for which this coverage has been purchased;
- 12. bodily injury or property damage arising out of the ownership, maintenance or use of any vehicle owned by a relative or furnished or available for the regular use of a relative, other than a covered auto for which this coverage has been purchased. This exclusion does not apply to your maintenance or use of such vehicle;
- 13. bodily injury or property damage arising out of your or a relative's use of a vehicle, other than a covered auto, without the permission of the owner of the vehicle or the person in lawful possession of the vehicle;
- 14. punitive or exemplary damages;
- 15. bodily injury or property damage caused by, or reasonably expected to result from, a criminal act or omission of that insured person. This exclusion applies regardless of whether that insured person is actually charged with, or convicted of, a crime. For purposes of this exclusion, criminal acts or omissions do not include traffic violations; or
- 16. property damage due to or as a consequence of a seizure of any vehicle by federal or state law enforcement officers as evidence in a case against you under Chapter 481 of the Health and Safety Code, or under the federal Controlled Substances Act, if you are convicted in such a case.

#### LIMITS OF LIABILITY

The limit of liability shown on the **declarations page** for liability coverage is the most **we** will pay regardless of the number of:

- 1. claims made;
- 2. covered autos:
- 3. insured persons:
- lawsuits brought;
- 5. vehicles involved in the accident; or
- premiums paid.

#### If your declarations page shows a split limit:

- the amount shown for "each person" is the most we will pay for all damages due to bodily injury to one person resulting from any one accident;
- subject to the "each person" limit, the amount shown for "each accident" is the most we will pay for all damages due to bodily injury sustained by two or more persons in any one accident; and

the amount shown for "property damage" is the most we will pay for the total of all property damage resulting from any one accident.

The "each person" limit of liability applies to the total of all claims made for **bodily injury** to a person and all claims of others arising from such **bodily injury**, including, but not limited to, bystander claims, emotional injury or mental anguish resulting from the **bodily injury** of another, loss of society, loss of companionship, loss of services, loss of consortium, and wrongful death.

If the **declarations page** shows that "combined single limit" or "CSL" applies, the amount shown is the most **we** will pay for the total of all damages resulting from any one accident. However, without changing this limit of liability, **we** will comply with any law that requires **us** to provide any separate limits.

No one is entitled to duplicate payments for the same elements of damages.

Any payment to a person under this Part I will be reduced by any payment to that person under Part II(A)—Medical Payments Coverage, Part II(B)—Personal Injury Protection Coverage, or Part III—Uninsured/Underinsured Motorist Coverage.

**We** will not pay under this Part I any expenses paid or payable under Part II(A)—Medical Payments Coverage.

If multiple auto policies issued by **us** are in effect for **you**, **we** will pay no more than the highest limit of liability for this coverage available under any one policy.

An **auto** and attached **trailer** are considered one **auto**. Therefore, the limits of liability will not be increased for an accident involving an **auto** that has an attached **trailer**.

# FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY LAWS

When **we** certify this policy as proof of financial responsibility, this policy will comply with the law to the extent required.

#### OTHER INSURANCE

If there is any other applicable liability insurance or bond, any liability insurance we provide will be excess over any other applicable liability insurance or bond. If more than one liability insurance policy or bond applies on an excess basis, we will pay only our share of the damages. Our share is the proportion that our limit of liability bears to the total of all applicable limits.

# **OUT-OF-STATE COVERAGE**

If an accident to which this Part I applies occurs in any state, territory or possession of the United States of America or any province or territory of Canada, other than the one in which a **covered auto** is principally garaged, and the state, province, territory or pos-

#### session has:

- a financial responsibility or similar law requiring limits of liability for bodily injury or property damage higher than the limits shown on the declarations page, this policy will provide the higher limits; or
- a compulsory insurance or similar law requiring a non-resident to maintain insurance whenever the non-resident uses an **auto** in that state, province, territory or possession, this policy will provide the greater of:
  - a. the required minimum amounts and types of coverage; or
  - b. the limits of liability under this policy.

# PART II(A)—MEDICAL PAYMENTS COVERAGE

#### **INSURING AGREEMENT**

If you pay the premium for this coverage, we will pay the reasonable expenses incurred for necessary medical services received within three years from the date of a motor vehicle accident because of bodily injury:

- 1. sustained by an **insured person**; and
- caused by that motor vehicle accident.

We, or someone on our behalf, will determine:

- 1. whether the expenses for **medical services** are reasonable; and
- 2. whether the **medical services** are necessary.

#### **ADDITIONAL DEFINITIONS**

When used in this Part II(A):

- 1. "Insured person" means:
  - a. you or a relative:
    - (i) while occupying an auto; or
    - (ii) when struck by a **motor vehicle** or a trailer while not **occupying** a selfpropelled motorized vehicle; and
  - any other person while occupying a covered auto with the permission of you or a relative.
- 2. "Medical services" means medical, surgical, dental, x-ray, ambulance, hospital, professional nursing, and funeral services, and includes the cost of eyeglasses, hearing aids, pharmaceuticals, orthopedics, and prosthetic devices.
- "Motor vehicle" means a land motor vehicle designed for use principally on public roads.

# <u>EXCLUSIONS</u>—READ THE FOLLOWING EXCLUSIONS CAREFULLY. IF AN EXCLUSION APPLIES, COVERAGE WILL NOT BE AFFORDED UNDER THIS PART II(A).

Coverage under this Part II(A) will not apply to **bodily injury**:

- 1. sustained by any person while **occupying** a **covered auto** while it is being used:
  - a. to carry persons or property for compensation or a fee;

- for retail or wholesale delivery, including, but not limited to, the pickup, transport or delivery of magazines, newspapers, mail or food; or
- c. for ride-sharing activity.

This exclusion does not apply to shared-expense car pools;

- arising out of an accident involving a vehicle while being maintained or used by a
  person while employed or engaged in any auto business. This exclusion does not
  apply to you, a relative, or an agent or employee of you or a relative, when using
  a covered auto:
- 3. to any person resulting from, or sustained during practice or preparation for:
  - a. any pre-arranged or organized racing, stunting, speed or demolition contest or activity; or
  - any driving activity conducted on a permanent or temporary racetrack or racecourse;
- 4. due to a nuclear reaction or radiation;
- 5. for which insurance:
  - a. is afforded under a nuclear energy liability insurance contract; or
  - would be afforded under a nuclear energy liability insurance contract but for its termination upon exhaustion of its limit of liability;
- 6. for which the United States Government is liable under the Federal Tort Claims Act;
- sustained by any person while occupying any vehicle or trailer while located for use as a residence or premises;
- 8. if workers' compensation benefits are available for the **bodily injury**;
- sustained by any person while occupying or when struck by any vehicle owned by you or furnished or available for your regular use, other than a covered auto for which this coverage has been purchased;
- 10. sustained by any person while occupying or when struck by any vehicle owned by a relative or furnished or available for the regular use of a relative, other than a covered auto for which this coverage has been purchased. This exclusion does not apply to you;
- to you or a relative, while occupying any vehicle, other than a covered auto, without the permission of the owner of the vehicle or the person in lawful possession of the vehicle;
- 12. to any person while occupying a covered auto while leased or rented to others, including while being used in connection with a personal vehicle sharing program. This exclusion does not apply if you or a relative lends your covered auto to another at no charge other than for reimbursement of operating expenses;
- 13. caused directly or indirectly by:
  - a. war (declared or undeclared) or civil war;
  - warlike action by any military force of any government, sovereign or other authority using military personnel or agents. This includes any action taken to hinder or defend against an actual or expected attack; or
  - insurrection, rebellion, revolution, usurped power, or any action taken by a governmental authority to hinder or defend against any of these acts;
- 14. caused directly or indirectly by:
  - a. any accidental or intentional discharge, dispersal or release of radioactive, nuclear, pathogenic or poisonous biological material; or

- b. any intentional discharge, dispersal or release of chemical or hazardous material for any purpose other than its safe and useful purpose; or
- 15. to an **insured person** caused by, or reasonably expected to result from, a criminal act or omission of that **insured person**. This exclusion applies regardless of whether the **insured person** is actually charged with, or convicted of, a crime. For purposes of this exclusion, criminal acts or omissions do not include traffic violations.

# **LIMITS OF LIABILITY**

The limit of liability shown on the **declarations page** for Medical Payments Coverage is the most **we** will pay for each **insured person** injured in any one accident, regardless of the number of:

- 1. claims made;
- 2. covered autos;
- insured persons;
- 4. lawsuits brought;
- 5. vehicles involved in the accident; or
- 6. premiums paid.

No one will be entitled to duplicate payments under this policy for the same elements of damages.

Any amount payable to an **insured person** under this Part II(A) will be reduced by any amount paid or payable for the same expense under Part I—Liability To Others or Part III—Uninsured/Underinsured Motorist Coverage.

If multiple auto policies issued by **us** are in effect for **you**, **we** will pay no more than the highest limit of liability for this coverage available under any one policy.

#### **UNREASONABLE OR UNNECESSARY MEDICAL EXPENSES**

If an **insured person** incurs expenses for **medical services** that **we** deem to be unreasonable or unnecessary, **we** may refuse to pay for those expenses and contest them.

If the medical service provider sues the **insured person** because **we** refuse to pay expenses for **medical services** that **we** deem to be unreasonable or unnecessary, **we** will pay any resulting defense costs, and any resulting judgment against the **insured person**, subject to the limit of liability for this coverage. **We** will choose the counsel. **We** will also pay reasonable expenses, including loss of earnings up to \$200 per day, incurred at **our** request.

The **insured person** may not sue **us** for expenses for **medical services we** deem to be unreasonable or unnecessary unless the **insured person** paid the entire disputed amount to the medical service provider or the medical service provider has initiated collection activity against the **insured person** for the unreasonable or unnecessary expenses.

#### **ASSIGNMENT OF BENEFITS**

Payments for medical expenses will be paid directly to a physician or other healthcare provider if **we** receive a written assignment signed by the **insured person** to whom such benefits are payable.

# **OTHER INSURANCE**

If there is other applicable **auto** medical payments insurance, **we** will pay only **our** share of the loss. **Our** share is the proportion that **our** limit of liability bears to the total of all applicable limits. However, any insurance **we** provide for an **insured person occupying** a vehicle or trailer, other than a **covered auto**, will be excess over any other **auto** insurance providing payments for **medical services**.

# PART II(B)—PERSONAL INJURY PROTECTION COVERAGE

#### **INSURING AGREEMENT**

If **you** pay the premium for this coverage, **we** will pay Personal Injury Protection Benefits because of **bodily injury**:

- 1. resulting from a motor vehicle accident; and
- 2. sustained by an **insured person**.

Our payment will only be for losses or expenses incurred within three years of the accident.

Personal Injury Protection Benefits consist of:

- 1. Reasonable expenses incurred for necessary medical and funeral services.
- Eighty percent (80%) of an insured person's loss of income from employment.
   This benefit applies only if, at the time of the accident, the insured person:
  - a. was an income producer; and
  - b. was in an occupational status.

Benefits due to loss of income from employment do not apply to any loss after the **insured person** dies.

Loss of income is the difference between:

- income which would have been earned had the insured person not been injured; and
- b. the amount of income actually received from employment during the disability. If the income being earned as of the date of the accident is a salary or fixed remuneration, it shall be used in determining the amount of income which would have been earned. Otherwise, the average monthly income earned during the period (not more than 12 months) preceding the accident shall be used.
- Reasonable expenses incurred for obtaining essential services. These services must replace those an **insured person** would normally have performed:
  - a. without pay:
  - b. during the period of disability; and

c. for the care and maintenance of the family or household.

Essential service benefits apply only if, at the time of the accident, the **insured person**:

- a. was not an income producer; and
- b. was not in an occupational status.

Essential service benefits do not apply to any loss after the **insured person** dies.

#### ADDITIONAL DEFINITION

When used in this Part II(B):

- 1. "Insured person" means:
  - a. you or a relative;
    - (i) while occupying; or
    - (ii) when struck by;
    - a motor vehicle designed for use mainly on public roads or a trailer; and
  - b. any other person while **occupying** a **covered auto** with **your** permission.

# <u>EXCLUSIONS</u>—READ THE FOLLOWING EXCLUSIONS CAREFULLY. IF AN EXCLUSION APPLIES, COVERAGE WILL NOT BE AFFORDED UNDER THIS PART II(B).

We do not provide Personal Injury Protection Coverage for bodily injury sustained:

- 1. by any person in an accident caused intentionally by, or at the direction of, that person;
- 2. by any person while that person is committing a felony:
- 3. by any person while that person is attempting to elude arrest by a law enforcement official:
- 4. by any person while **occupying**, or when struck by, any motor vehicle, other than **your covered auto**, which is owned by **you**; or
- 5. by a **relative** while **occupying**, or when struck by, any motor vehicle, other than **your covered auto**, which is owned by a **relative**.

# LIMITS OF LIABILITY

The limit of liability shown on the **declarations page** for this coverage is the maximum limit of liability for each person injured in any one accident. This is the most **we** will pay regardless of the number of:

- 1. insured persons;
- 2. claims made;
- 3. vehicles or premiums shown on the declarations page; or
- 4. vehicles involved in the accident.

Any amount payable to an **insured person** under this Part II(B) will be reduced by any amount paid or payable for the same expense under Part I—Liability To Others or Part III—Uninsured/Underinsured Motorist Coverage.

If multiple auto policies issued by **us** are in effect for **you**, **we** will pay no more than the highest limit of liability for this coverage available under any one policy.

# **OTHER INSURANCE**

If there is other applicable Personal Injury Protection insurance, **we** will pay only **our** share. **Our** share is the proportion that **our** limit of liability bears to the total of all applicable limits. However, any insurance **we** provide with respect to an **auto you** do not own shall be excess over any other collectible Personal Injury Protection insurance.

#### **LOSS PAYMENTS**

Benefits are payable under this Part II(B) as follows:

- 1. Not more frequently than once every two weeks; and
- 2. Within 30 days after satisfactory proof of claim is received.

#### **ASSIGNMENT OF BENEFITS**

Payments for medical expenses will be paid directly to a physician or other health care provider if **we** receive a written assignment signed by the **insured person** to whom such benefits are payable.

# PART III—UNINSURED/UNDERINSURED MOTORIST COVERAGE

# INSURING AGREEMENT—UNINSURED/UNDERINSURED MOTORIST BODILY INJURY COVERAGE

If you pay the premium for this coverage, we will pay for damages that an insured person is legally entitled to recover from the owner or operator of an uninsured motor vehicle because of bodily injury:

- 1. sustained by an **insured person**;
- 2. caused by an accident; and
- 3. arising out of the ownership, maintenance or use of an uninsured motor vehicle.

# INSURING AGREEMENT—UNINSURED/UNDERINSURED MOTORIST PROPERTY DAMAGE COVERAGE

If you pay the premium for this coverage, we will pay for damages that an insured person is legally entitled to recover from the owner or operator of an uninsured motor vehicle due to property damage to a covered auto:

- 1. caused by an accident; and
- 2. arising out of the ownership, maintenance, or use of an uninsured motor vehicle.

If **we** and an **insured person** do not agree as to whether a vehicle is actually uninsured or underinsured, the burden of proof as to that issue shall be on **us**.

Any judgment or settlement for damages against an owner or operator of an **uninsured motor vehicle** that arises out of a lawsuit brought without **our** written consent is not binding on **us**.

#### **ADDITIONAL DEFINITIONS**

When used in this Part III:

- 1. "Insured person" means:
  - a. you or a relative;
  - any person while operating a covered auto with the permission of you or a relative:
  - c. any person **occupying**, but not operating, a **covered auto**; and
  - d. any person who is entitled to recover damages covered by this Part III because of **bodily injury** sustained by a person described in a., b. or c. above.
- 2. "Property damage" means physical damage to, or destruction or loss of use of:
  - a. a covered auto;
  - any property owned by an **insured person** and contained in the **covered** auto at the time of the accident; and
  - c. any property owned by **you** or a **relative** while contained in any **auto** not owned by, but being operated by, **you** or a **relative**.
- 3. "Uninsured motor vehicle" means a land motor vehicle or trailer of any type:
  - a. to which no bodily injury liability bond or policy applies at the time of the accident:
  - b. to which a bodily injury liability bond or policy applies at the time of the accident, but the bonding or insuring company:
    - (i) denies coverage; or
    - (ii) is or becomes insolvent;
  - c. to which a bodily injury liability bond or policy applies at the time of the accident, but its limit of liability for bodily injury is less than the minimum limit of liability for bodily injury specified by the financial responsibility law of the state in which the **covered auto** is principally garaged;
  - d. that is a hit-and-run vehicle whose owner or operator cannot be identified and which strikes:
    - (i) **you** or a **relative**;
    - (ii) a vehicle that you or a relative are occupying; or
    - (iii) a covered auto;
    - provided that the **insured person**, or someone on his or her behalf, reports the accident to the police or civil authority within 24 hours or as soon as practicable after the accident; or
  - e. that is an underinsured motor vehicle. An underinsured motor vehicle is one to which a liability bond or policy applies at the time of the accident, but its limit of liability either:
    - (i) is not enough to pay the full amount the **insured person** is legally entitled to recover as damages; or
    - (ii) has been reduced by payment of claims to an amount which is not enough to pay the full amount the **insured person** is legally entitled to recover as damages.

An "uninsured motor vehicle" does not include any vehicle or equipment:

- a. owned by you or a relative or furnished or available for the regular use of you
  or a relative:
- owned or operated by a self-insurer under any applicable motor vehicle law, except a self-insurer that is or becomes insolvent;
- c. owned by any governmental unit or agency;
- d. operated on rails or crawler treads;
- e. designed mainly for use off public roads, while not on public roads;
- f. while located for use as a residence or premises; or
- q. that is a covered auto.

# EXCLUSIONS—READ THE FOLLOWING EXCLUSIONS CAREFULLY. IF AN EXCLUSION APPLIES, COVERAGE WILL NOT BE AFFORDED UNDER THIS PART III.

Coverage under this Part III will not apply:

- 1. to **bodily injury** sustained by any person while using or **occupying**:
  - a. a covered auto while being used
    - (i) to carry persons for compensation or a fee; or
    - (ii) for ride-sharing activity.

This exclusion does not apply to shared-expense car pools;

- a covered auto being used to carry property for compensation or a fee. This
  does not apply to you or a relative, unless the primary usage of the auto is to
  carry property for compensation or a fee;
- a covered auto that is rented or leased to another. This exclusion does not apply if you or a relative lends your covered auto to another at no charge other than for reimbursement of operating expenses; or
- a motor vehicle that is owned by or available for the regular use of you or a
  relative. This exclusion does not apply to a covered auto that is insured under
  this Part III;
- to bodily injury sustained by you or a relative while using any vehicle, other than a covered auto, without the permission of the owner of the vehicle or the person in lawful possession of the vehicle;
- 3. directly or indirectly to benefit any insurer or self-insurer under any of the following or similar laws:
  - a. workers' compensation law; or
  - b. disability benefits law;
- 4. to any punitive or exemplary damages;
- 5. to any person for **bodily injury** or **property damage** resulting from an intentional act of that person;
- 6. to **bodily injury** sustained by any person if that person or the legal representative of that person settles without **our** written consent;
- 7. to **bodily injury** arising out of the use of a **covered auto** while being used in connection with a **personal vehicle sharing program**. This exclusion does not apply to the operation of a **covered auto** by **you**, a **relative**, or a **rated resident**;
- 8. to property damage:
  - a. sustained while a covered auto is being used or driven by a person while

employed or engaged in any **auto business**. However, this exclusion does not apply to **you** or a **relative**, or an agent or employee of **you** or a **relative**, when using a **covered auto**;

- b. resulting from, or sustained during practice or preparation for:
  - (i) any pre-arranged or organized racing, stunting, speed, or demolition contest or activity; or
  - (ii) any driving activity conducted on a permanent or temporary racetrack or racecourse; or
- c. for which insurance:
  - (i) is afforded under a nuclear energy liability insurance contract; or
  - (ii) would be afforded under a nuclear energy liability insurance contract but for its termination upon exhaustion of its limit of liability; or
- 9. to the first \$250 of **property damage** sustained by an **insured person** as a result of any one accident.

#### **LIMITS OF LIABILITY**

The limit of liability shown on the **declarations page** for Uninsured/Underinsured Motorist Coverage is the most **we** will pay regardless of the number of:

- 1. claims made;
- covered autos:
- insured persons;
- 4. lawsuits brought;
- 5. vehicles involved in the accident; or
- 6. premiums paid.

# If your declarations page shows a split limit:

- the amount shown for "each person" is the most we will pay for all damages due to bodily injury to one person;
- subject to the "each person" limit, the amount shown for "each accident" is the most we will pay for all damages due to bodily injury sustained by two or more persons in any one accident; and
- 3. the amount shown for "each accident" for **property damage** is **our** maximum limit of liability for all **property damage** resulting from any one accident.

The "each person" limit of liability includes the total of all claims made for **bodily injury** to an **insured person** and all claims of others arising from such **bodily injury**, including, but not limited to, bystander claims, emotional injury or mental anguish resulting from the **bodily injury** of another, loss of society, loss of companionship, loss of services, loss of consortium, and wrongful death.

If the **declarations page** shows that "combined single limit" or "CSL" applies, the amount shown is the most **we** will pay for the total of all damages resulting from any one accident. However, without changing this total limit of liability, **we** will comply with any law that requires **us** to provide any separate limits.

The damages recoverable under this Part III will be reduced by all sums:

- paid or payable because of **bodily injury** by or on behalf of any persons or organizations that may be legally responsible;
- 2. paid or payable under Part I-Liability To Others; and
- 3. paid or payable because of **bodily injury** under any of the following or similar laws:
  - a. workers' compensation law; or
  - b. disability benefits law.

**We** will not pay under this Part III any expenses paid or payable under Part II(A)—Medical Payments Coverage or Part II(B) Personal Injury Protection Coverage.

The damages recoverable for **property damage** under this Part III will be reduced by all sums paid or payable because of **property damage** by or on behalf of any persons or organizations who may be legally responsible, including, but not limited to, all sums paid under Part I—Liability To Others.

No one will be entitled to duplicate payments for the same elements of damages.

If multiple auto policies issued by **us** are in effect for **you**, **we** will pay no more than the highest limit of liability for this coverage available under any one policy.

#### **OTHER INSURANCE**

If there is other applicable uninsured or underinsured motorist coverage, **we** will pay only **our** share of the damages. **Our** share is the proportion that **our** limit of liability bears to the total of all available coverage limits. However, any insurance **we** provide with respect to an **auto you** do not own shall be excess over any other valid and collectible insurance.

For any **property damage** to which the coverage under Part IV—Damage To A Vehicle of this policy (or similar coverage from another policy) and this coverage both apply, **you** may choose the coverage from which damages will be paid. **You** may recover under both coverages, but only if:

- 1. neither one by itself is sufficient to cover the loss;
- you pay the higher deductible amount (but you do not have to pay both deductibles); and
- 3. **you** will not recover more than the actual damages.

# PART IV—DAMAGE TO A VEHICLE

#### INSURING AGREEMENT—COLLISION COVERAGE

If **you** pay the premium for this coverage, **we** will pay for sudden, direct and accidental loss to a:

- 1. **covered auto**, including an attached **trailer**; or
- 2. non-owned auto;

and its **custom parts or equipment**, resulting from **collision**.

In addition, **we** will pay the reasonable cost to replace any child safety seat damaged in an accident to which this coverage applies.

# INSURING AGREEMENT—COMPREHENSIVE COVERAGE

If **you** pay the premium for this coverage, **we** will pay for sudden, direct and accidental loss to a:

- 1. covered auto, including an attached trailer; or
- 2. non-owned auto;

and its custom parts or equipment, that is not caused by collision.

# A loss not caused by **collision** includes:

- 1. contact with an animal (including a bird);
- 2. explosion or earthquake;
- 3. fire:
- 4. malicious mischief or vandalism;
- 5. missiles or falling objects;
- 6. riot or civil commotion;
- 7. theft or larceny;
- 8. windstorm, hail, water or flood; or
- 9. breakage of glass not caused by **collision**.

# In addition, we will pay for:

- 1. reasonable transportation expenses incurred by you if a covered auto is stolen; and
- 2. loss of use damages that **you** are legally liable to pay if a **non-owned auto** is stolen.

A combined maximum of \$900, not exceeding \$30 per day, will apply to these additional benefits. The additional benefit for transportation expenses will not apply if **you** purchased Rental Reimbursement Coverage for the stolen **covered auto**.

Coverage for transportation expenses and loss of use damages begins 48 hours after **you** report the theft to **us** and ends the earliest of:

- 1. when the **auto** has been recovered and returned to **you** or its owner;
- 2. when the auto has been recovered and repaired;
- 3. when the auto has been replaced; or
- 72 hours after we make an offer to settle the loss if the auto is deemed by us to be a total loss.

We must receive written proof of transportation expenses and loss of use damages.

# INSURING AGREEMENT—ADDITIONAL CUSTOM PARTS OR EQUIPMENT COVERAGE

We will pay for sudden, direct and accidental loss to custom parts or equipment on a covered auto for which this coverage has been purchased. This coverage applies only if you have purchased both Comprehensive Coverage and Collision Coverage for that covered auto and the loss is covered under one of those coverages. This coverage

applies in addition to any coverage automatically provided for **custom parts or equipment** under Comprehensive Coverage or Collision Coverage.

# INSURING AGREEMENT—RENTAL REIMBURSEMENT COVERAGE

**We** will reimburse rental charges incurred when **you** rent an **auto** from a rental agency or auto repair shop due to a loss to a **covered auto** for which Rental Reimbursement Coverage has been purchased. This coverage applies only if **you** have purchased both Comprehensive Coverage and Collision Coverage for that **covered auto** and the loss is covered under one of those coverages.

Additional fees or charges for insurance, damage waivers, optional equipment, fuel, or accessories are not covered.

This coverage is limited to the each day limit shown on the **declarations page** for a maximum of 30 days.

If Rental Reimbursement Coverage applies, no other coverage under this policy for rental expenses will apply.

Rental charges will be reimbursed beginning:

- 1. when the **covered auto** cannot be driven due to a loss; or
- 2. if the **covered auto** can be driven, when **you** deliver the **covered auto** to an auto repair shop or one of **our** Service Centers for repairs due to the loss;

and ending the earliest of:

- 1. when the **covered auto** has been returned to **you**;
- 2. when the covered auto has been repaired;
- 3. when the **covered auto** has been replaced;
- 72 hours after we make an offer to settle the loss if the covered auto is deemed by us to be a total loss; or
- 5. when **you** incur 30 days worth of rental charges.

You must provide us written proof of your rental charges to be reimbursed.

#### INSURING AGREEMENT—LOAN/LEASE PAYOFF COVERAGE

If **you** pay the premium for this coverage, and the **covered auto** for which this coverage was purchased is deemed by **us** to be a total loss, **we** will pay, in addition to any amounts otherwise payable under this Part IV, the difference between:

- 1. the actual cash value of the **covered auto** at the time of the total loss: and
- any greater amount the owner of the covered auto is legally obligated to pay under a written loan or lease agreement to which the covered auto is subject at the time of the total loss, reduced by:
  - a. unpaid finance charges or refunds due to the owner for such charges;
  - b. excess mileage charges or charges for wear and tear;

- c. charges for extended warranties or refunds due to the owner for extended warranties;
- d. charges for credit insurance or refunds due to the owner for credit insurance;
- e. past due payments and charges for past due payments; and
- f. collection or repossession expenses.

However, **our** payment under this coverage shall not exceed the limit of liability shown on the **declarations page**. The limit of liability is a percentage of the actual cash value of the **covered auto** at the time of the loss.

This coverage applies only if **you** have purchased both Comprehensive Coverage and Collision Coverage for that **covered auto** and the loss is covered under one of those coverages.

# **INSURING AGREEMENT—PET INJURY COVERAGE**

If you have purchased Collision coverage for at least one **covered auto** under your policy, and if your pet sustains injury or death while inside a **covered auto** or **nonowned auto** at the time of a loss covered under Collision or Comprehensive coverage, we will provide:

- up to \$1,000 for reasonable and customary veterinary fees incurred by you or a relative if your pet is injured in, or as a direct result of, the covered loss; or
- 2. a \$1,000 death benefit if **your pet** dies in, or as a direct result of, the covered loss, less any payment **we** made toward veterinary expenses for **your pet**.

In the event of a covered loss due to the theft of a **covered auto** or **non-owned auto**, **we** will provide the death benefit provided **your pet** is inside that auto at the time of the theft and **your pet** is not recovered.

# **ADDITIONAL DEFINITIONS**

When used in this Part IV:

- 1. "Collision" means the upset of a vehicle or its impact with another vehicle or object.
- "Custom parts or equipment" means equipment, devices, accessories, enhancements and changes, other than those that are offered by the manufacturer specifically for that auto model, or that are installed by the auto dealership as part of the original sale of a new auto, that:
  - a. are permanently installed or attached; and
  - b. alter the appearance or performance of the **auto**.
- 3. "Non-owned auto" means an auto that is not owned by or furnished or available for the regular use of you or a relative while in the custody of or being operated by you or a relative with the permission of the owner of the auto or the person in lawful possession of the auto.
- 4. "**Property damage**" means physical damage to, destruction of, or loss of use of, tangible property.
- 5. "Your pet" means any dog or cat owned by you or a relative.

# <u>EXCLUSIONS</u>—READ THE FOLLOWING EXCLUSIONS CAREFULLY. IF AN EXCLUSION APPLIES, COVERAGE WILL NOT BE AFFORDED UNDER THIS PART IV.

Coverage under this Part IV will not apply for loss:

- 1. from **property damage** arising out of the ownership, maintenance, or use of an **auto** or **trailer** while it is:
  - a. being used to carry persons or property for compensation or a fee. This exclusion does not apply to shared-expense car pools;
  - being used to carry property for compensation or a fee. This exclusion does not apply to **you** or a **relative** unless the primary usage of the **auto** is to carry property for compensation or a fee;
  - rented or leased to another, including while being used in connection with a
    personal vehicle sharing program. This exclusion does not apply if you or a
    relative lends your covered auto at no charge other than for reimbursement
    of operating expenses; or
  - d. being used for ride-sharing activity;
- to a non-owned auto while being maintained or used by a person while employed or engaged in any auto business;
- 3. to any vehicle resulting from, or sustained during practice or preparation for:
  - a. any pre-arranged or organized racing, stunting, speed or demolition contest or activity; or
  - any driving activity conducted on a permanent or temporary racetrack or racecourse;
- 4. to any vehicle for which insurance:
  - a. is afforded under a nuclear energy liability insurance contract; or
  - would be afforded under a nuclear energy liability insurance contract but for its termination upon exhaustion of its limit of liability;
- to any vehicle caused by an intentional act committed by or at the direction of you, a relative, or the owner of a non-owned auto, even if the actual damage is different than that which was intended or expected;
- 6. to any vehicle while being used in connection with a **personal vehicle sharing program**. This exclusion does not apply to the operation of a **covered auto** by **you**, a **relative**, or a **rated resident**;
- 7. due to destruction or confiscation by governmental or civil authorities of any vehicle because you or any relative engaged in illegal activities. This includes loss due to or as a consequence of a seizure of any vehicle by federal or state law enforcement officers as evidence in a case against you under Chapter 481 of the Health and Safety Code, or under the federal Controlled Substances Act, if you are convicted in such a case;
- 3. to any vehicle that is due and confined to:
  - a. wear and tear;
  - b. freezing;
  - c. mechanical, electrical or electronic breakdown or failure; or
  - d. road damage to tires.

This exclusion does not apply if the damage results from the theft of a vehicle;

9. to portable equipment, devices, accessories, and any other personal effects that

are not permanently installed. This includes, but is not limited to:

- a. tapes, compact discs, cassettes, DVDs, and other recording or recorded media;
- any case or other container designed for use in storing or carrying tapes, compact discs, cassettes, DVDs, or other recording or recorded media;
- any device used for the detection or location of radar, laser, or other speed measuring equipment or its transmissions; and
- d. CB radios, telephones, two-way mobile radios, DVD players, personal computers, personal digital assistants, or televisions;
- 10. to any vehicle caused directly or indirectly by:
  - a. war (declared or undeclared) or civil war;
  - b. warlike action by any military force of any government, sovereign, or other authority using military personnel or agents. This includes any action taken to hinder or defend against an actual or expected attack; or
  - c. insurrection, rebellion, revolution, usurped power, or any action taken by a governmental authority to hinder or defend against any of these acts;
- 11. to any vehicle caused directly or indirectly by:
  - a. any accidental or intentional discharge, dispersal or release of radioactive, nuclear, pathogenic or poisonous biological material; or
  - b. any intentional discharge, dispersal or release of chemical or hazardous material for any purpose other than its safe and useful purpose; or
- 12. to any vehicle caused by, or reasonably expected to result from, a criminal act or omission of you, a relative, or the owner of a non-owned auto. This exclusion applies regardless of whether you, the relative, or the owner of the non-owned auto is actually charged with, or convicted of, a crime. For purposes of this exclusion, criminal acts or omissions do not include traffic violations.

#### **LIMITS OF LIABILITY**

- The limit of liability for loss to a covered auto, non-owned auto, or custom parts or equipment is the lowest of:
  - a. the actual cash value of the stolen or damaged property at the time of the loss reduced by the applicable deductible;
  - b. the amount necessary to replace the stolen or damaged property reduced by the applicable deductible;
  - c. the amount necessary to repair the damaged property to its pre-loss condition reduced by the applicable deductible; or
  - d. the Stated Amount shown on the **declarations page** for that **covered auto**. However, the most **we** will pay for loss to:
  - a. custom parts or equipment is \$1,000 unless you purchased Additional Custom Parts or Equipment Coverage ("ACPE"). If you purchased ACPE, the most we will pay is \$1,000 plus the amount of ACPE you purchased.
  - b. a **trailer** is the limit of liability shown on the **declarations page** for that **trailer**. If the **trailer** is not shown on the **declarations page**, the limit of liability is \$500.
- 2. Payments for loss to a **covered auto**, **non-owned auto**, or **custom parts or equipment** are subject to the following provisions:
  - a. If coverage applies to a **non-owned auto**, **we** will provide the broadest coverage applicable to any **covered auto** shown on the **declarations page**.

- b. If you have elected a Stated Amount for a covered auto, the Stated Amount is the most we will pay for all loss to that covered auto, including its custom parts or equipment.
- c. Coverage for custom parts or equipment will not cause our limit of liability for loss to an auto under this Part IV to be increased to an amount in excess of the actual cash value of the auto, including its custom parts or equipment.
- d. In determining the amount necessary to repair damaged property to its preloss condition, the amount to be paid by **us**:
  - (i) will not exceed the prevailing competitive labor rates charged in the area where the property is to be repaired and the cost of repair or replacement parts and equipment, as reasonably determined by **us**; and
  - (ii) will be based on the cost of repair or replacement parts and equipment which may be new, reconditioned, remanufactured or used, including, but not limited to:
    - (a) original manufacturer parts or equipment; and
    - (b) nonoriginal manufacturer parts or equipment.
- e. To determine the amount necessary to repair or replace the damaged property as referred to in subsection 1., the total cost of necessary repair or replacement may be reduced by unrepaired prior damage. Unrepaired prior damage includes broken, cracked or missing parts; rust; dents; scrapes; gouges; and peeling paint. The reduction for unrepaired prior damage is the cost of labor, parts and materials necessary to repair or replace damage, deterioration, defects, or wear and tear on exterior body parts, windshields and other glass, wheels, and paint, that existed prior to the accident and that is eliminated as a result of the repair or replacement of property damaged in the loss.
- f. The actual cash value is determined by the market value, age, and condition of the vehicle at the time the loss occurs.
- 3. No deductible will apply to a loss to window glass when the glass is repaired instead of replaced.
- 4. Duplicate recovery for the same elements of damages is not permitted.
- 5. The following additional limits of liability apply to Pet Injury coverage:
  - a. The most we will pay for all damages in any one loss is a total of \$1,000 regardless of the number of dogs or cats involved.
  - b. If your pet dies in, or as a direct result of, a covered loss, we will provide a death benefit of \$1,000, less any payment we made toward veterinary expenses for your pet.
  - c. No deductible shall apply to this coverage.

# **PAYMENT OF LOSS**

We may, at our option:

- 1. pay for the loss in money; or
- 2. repair or replace the damaged or stolen property.

At **our** expense, **we** may return any recovered stolen property to **you** or to the address shown on the **declarations page**, with payment for any damage resulting from the theft. **We** may keep all or part of the property at the agreed or appraised value.

We may settle any loss with you or the owner or lienholder of the property.

#### NO BENEFIT TO BAILEE

Coverage under this Part IV will not directly or indirectly benefit any carrier or other bailee for hire.

#### LOSS PAYABLE CLAUSE

Payment under this Part IV for a loss to a **covered auto** will be made according to **your** interest and the interest of any lienholder shown on the **declarations page** or designated by **you**. However, if the **covered auto** is not a total loss, **we** may make payment to **you** and the repairer of the **auto**.

The lienholder's interest will not be protected:

- where fraud, misrepresentation, material omission, or intentional damage resulting in a denial of coverage by us has been committed by or at the direction of you or any person seeking coverage; or
- 2. where the loss is otherwise not covered under the terms of this policy. If this policy is cancelled, nonrenewed or voided, the interest of any lienholder under this agreement will also terminate.

# OTHER SOURCES OF RECOVERY

If other sources of recovery also cover the loss, **we** will pay only **our** share of the loss. **Our** share is the proportion that **our** limit of liability bears to the total of all applicable limits. However, any insurance **we** provide for a **non-owned auto**, or **trailer** not shown on the **declarations page**, will be excess over any other collectible source of recovery including, but not limited to:

- 1. any coverage provided by the owner of the **non-owned auto** or **trailer**;
- 2. any other applicable physical damage insurance; and
- 3. any other source of recovery applicable to the loss.

For any loss to which Uninsured/Underinsured Motorist Property Damage Coverage (from this or any other policy) and this coverage both apply, **you** may choose the coverage from which damages will be paid. **You** may recover under both coverages, but only if:

- 1. neither one by itself is sufficient to cover the loss;
- you pay the higher deductible amount (but you do not have to pay both deductibles); and
- 3. you will not recover more than the actual damages.

# **APPRAISAL**

If **we** cannot agree with **you** on the amount of a loss, then **we** or **you** may demand an appraisal of the loss. Within 30 days of any demand for an appraisal, each party shall appoint a competent appraiser and shall notify the other party of that appraiser's

identity. The appraisers will determine the amount of loss. If they fail to agree, the disagreement will be submitted to a qualified umpire chosen by the appraisers. If the two appraisers are unable to agree upon an umpire within 15 days, **we** or **you** may request that a judge of a court of record, in the county where **you** reside, select an umpire. The appraisers and umpire will determine the amount of loss. The amount of loss agreed to by both appraisers, or by one appraiser and the umpire, will be binding. **You** will pay **your** appraiser's fees and expenses. **We** will pay **our** appraiser's fees and expenses. All other expenses of the appraisal, including payment of the umpire if one is selected, will be shared equally between **us** and **you**. Neither **we** nor **you** waive any rights under this policy by agreeing to an appraisal.

#### PART V—ROADSIDE ASSISTANCE COVERAGE

#### **INSURING AGREEMENT**

If **you** pay the premium for this coverage, **we** will pay for **our** authorized service representative to provide the following services when necessary due to a **covered emergency**:

- 1. towing of a **covered disabled auto** to the nearest qualified repair facility; and
- labor on a covered disabled auto at the place of disablement.

If a **covered disabled auto** is towed to any place other than the nearest qualified repair facility, **you** will be responsible for any additional charges incurred.

# **ADDITIONAL DEFINITIONS**

When used in this Part V:

- "Covered disabled auto" means a covered auto for which this coverage has been purchased that sustains a covered emergency.
- 2. "Covered emergency" means a disablement that is a result of:
  - a. mechanical or electrical breakdown;
  - b. battery failure;
  - c. insufficient supply of fuel, oil, water, or other fluid;
  - d. flat tire;
  - e. lock-out; or
  - f. entrapment in snow, mud, water or sand within 100 feet of a road or highway.

# EXCLUSIONS—READ THE FOLLOWING EXCLUSIONS CAREFULLY. IF AN EXCLUSION APPLIES, COVERAGE WILL NOT BE AFFORDED UNDER THIS PART V.

Coverage under this Part V will not apply to:

- more than three covered emergencies for any single covered auto in a six-month period;
- 2. the cost of purchasing parts, fluid, lubricants, fuel, or replacement keys, or the labor to make replacement keys;
- 3. installation of products or material not related to the disablement;
- 4. labor not related to the disablement;

- labor on a covered disabled auto for any time period in excess of 60 minutes per disablement;
- towing or storage related to impoundment, abandonment, illegal parking, or other violations of law;
- assistance with jacks, levelers, airbags or awnings;
- 8. labor or repair work performed at a service station, garage, or repair shop;
- 9. auto storage charges;
- 10. disablement that occurs on roads not regularly maintained, sand beaches, open fields, or areas designated as not passable due to construction, weather, or earth movement:
- 11. mounting or removing of snow tires or chains;
- 12. tire repair;
- 13. disablement that results from an intentional or willful act or action by **you**, a **relative**, or the operator of a **covered disabled auto**;
- 14. any covered auto while being used in connection with ride-sharing activity;
- any covered auto while being used in connection with a personal vehicle sharing program; or
- 16. a trailer.

#### **UNAUTHORIZED SERVICE PROVIDER**

When service is rendered by a provider in the business of providing roadside assistance and towing services, other than one of **our** authorized service representatives, **we** will pay only reasonable charges, as determined by **us**, for:

- 1. towing of a **covered disabled auto** to the nearest qualified repair facility; and
- 2. labor on a **covered disabled auto** at the place of disablement; which is necessary due to a **covered emergency**.

# **OTHER INSURANCE**

Any coverage provided under this Part V for service rendered by an unauthorized service provider will be excess over any other collectible insurance or towing protection coverage.

# PART VI—DUTIES IN CASE OF AN ACCIDENT OR LOSS

For coverage to apply under this policy, **you** or the person seeking coverage must promptly report each accident or loss even if **you** or the person seeking coverage is not at fault. **You** or the person seeking coverage must provide **us** with all accident or loss information, including time, place, and how the accident or loss happened. **You** or the person seeking coverage must also obtain and provide **us** the names and addresses of all persons involved in the accident or loss, the names and addresses of any witnesses, and the license plate numbers of the vehicles involved.

If **you** or the person seeking coverage cannot identify the owner or operator of a vehicle involved in the accident, or if theft or vandalism has occurred, **you** or the person seeking coverage must notify the police within 24 hours or as soon as practicable.

A person seeking coverage must:

- cooperate with us in any matter concerning a claim or lawsuit;
- 2. provide any written proof of loss **we** may reasonably require;
- allow us to take signed and recorded statements, including sworn statements and examinations under oath, which we may conduct outside the presence of you or any other person seeking coverage, and answer all reasonable questions we may ask as often as we may reasonably require;
- promptly call to notify us about any claim or lawsuit and send us any and all legal papers relating to the claim or suit;
- 5. attend hearings and trials as we require;
- 6. take reasonable steps after a loss to protect the **covered auto**, or any other vehicle for which coverage is sought, from further loss. **We** will pay reasonable expenses incurred in providing that protection. If failure to provide such protection results in further loss, any additional damages will not be covered under this policy;
- 7. allow **us** to have the damaged **covered auto**, or any other damaged vehicle for which coverage is sought, inspected and appraised before its repair or disposal;
- 8. submit to medical examinations at **our** expense by doctors **we** select as often as **we** may reasonably require; and
- authorize us to obtain medical and other records reasonably related to the injury or damage asserted.

# **PART VII—GENERAL PROVISIONS**

# POLICY PERIOD AND TERRITORY

This policy applies only to accidents and losses occurring during the policy period shown on the **declarations page** and that occur within a state, territory, or possession of the United States of America, or a province or territory of Canada, or while a **covered auto** or trailer shown on the declarations page is being transported between their ports. Coverage is also extended to accidents and losses occurring in Mexico, but only to the extent described under the following "Mexico Coverage—Limited" provision.

# **MEXICO COVERAGE—LIMITED**

Coverage for **your covered auto** under this policy is extended to accidents occurring in Mexico, but only if within 25 miles of the United States border. This limited extension of coverage only applies to infrequent trips into Mexico that do not exceed 10 days at any one time. "Infrequent trips" means less than 10 trips into Mexico during the 30-day period leading up to and including the actual date of loss. Any insurance that **we** may provide under this provision shall be excess over any other valid and collectible insurance.

# WARNING—READ CAREFULLY

Auto accidents in Mexico are subject to the laws of Mexico—NOT the laws of the United States of America. Unlike the United States, the Republic of Mexico considers an auto accident a CRIMINAL OFFENSE as well as a civil matter.

In some cases, the coverage under this section may NOT be recognized by Mexican authorities, and the company may not be allowed to implement this coverage at all in Mexico. You should consider purchasing auto coverage from a licensed Mexican insurance company before driving into Mexico.

The coverage under this section does not apply to trips into Mexico that exceed 25 miles from the boundary of the United States of America.

# **CHANGES**

This policy contract, **your** insurance application (which is made a part of this policy as if attached hereto), the **declarations page**, and all endorsements to this policy issued by **us**, contain all the agreements between **you** and **us**. Subject to the following, the terms of this policy may not be changed or waived except by an endorsement issued by **us**.

The premium for this policy is based on information **we** received from **you** and other sources. **You** agree to cooperate with **us** in determining if this information is correct and complete, and to promptly notify **us** if it changes during the policy period. If this information is determined by **us** to be incorrect, incomplete, or if it changes during the policy period, **you** agree that **we** may adjust **your** policy information and premium accordingly. Changes that may result in a premium adjustment are contained in **our** rates and rules. These include, but are not limited to, **you** or a **relative** obtaining a driver's license or operator's permit, or changes in:

- 1. the number, type or use classification of **covered autos**;
- the persons who regularly operate a covered auto;
- 3. the persons of legal driving age residing in **your** household;
- 4. the residents in **your** household;
- 5. an operator's marital status;
- 6. your mailing address and your residence address;
- 7. the principal garaging address of any **covered auto**;
- coverage, deductibles, or limits of liability; or
- 9. rating territory or discount eligibility.

The coverage provided in **your** policy may be changed only by the issuance of a new policy or an endorsement by **us**. However, if during the policy period **we** broaden any coverage afforded under the current edition of **your** policy without additional premium charge, that change will automatically apply to **your** policy as of the date the coverage change is implemented in **your** state.

If **you** ask **us** to delete a vehicle from this policy, no coverage will apply to that vehicle as of the date and time **you** ask **us** to delete it.

#### **DUTY TO REPORT CHANGES**

**You** must promptly report to **us** all changes, including additions and deletions, in policy information. This includes, but is not limited to, changes in:

1. **your** mailing address or **your** residence address;

- 2. the principal garaging address of any covered auto;
- 3. the residents in **your** household;
- 4. the persons of legal driving age residing in **your** household;
- 5. the persons who regularly operate a **covered auto**;
- 6. an operator's marital status; or
- 7. the driver's license or operator's permit status of **you** or a **relative**.

# **OUR DUTIES IN THE EVENT OF A CLAIM**

- 1. Within 15 days after we receive your written notice of claim, we must:
  - a. acknowledge receipt of the claim. If our acknowledgement of the claim is not in writing, we will keep a record of the date, method, and content of our acknowledgement;
  - b. begin any investigation of the claim; and
  - c. specify the information **you** must provide. **We** may request more information if during the investigation of the claim such additional information is necessary.
- After we receive the information we request, we must notify you in writing whether the claim will be paid or has been denied, or whether more information is needed:
  - a. within 15 business days; or
  - b. within 30 days if **we** have reason to believe the loss resulted from arson.
- If we do not approve payment of your claim or we require more time for processing your claim, we must:
  - a. give the reason(s) for denying your claim; or
  - b. give the reason(s) **we** require more time to process **your** claim. **We** must either approve or deny **your** claim within 45 days after **our** requesting more time.
- 4. In the event of a weather-related catastrophe or major natural disaster, as defined by the Texas Department of Insurance, the claim handling deadlines as stated above are extended for an additional 15 days.
- 5. Loss payment:
  - a. If we notify you that we will pay your claim, or part of your claim, we must pay within five business days after we notify you.
  - b. If payment of your claim or part of your claim requires the performance of an act by you, we must pay within five business days after the date you perform the act.
- 6. Notice of settlement of liability claim:
  - a. We will notify you in writing of any initial offer to compromise or settle a claim against you under the liability section of this policy. We will give you notice within 10 days after the date the offer is made.
  - b. We will notify you in writing of any settlement of a claim against you under the liability section of this policy. We will give you notice within 30 days after the date of the settlement.

#### **SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS**

We may use estimating, appraisal, or injury evaluation systems to assist us in adjusting claims under this policy and to assist us in determining the amount of damages,

expenses, or loss payable under this policy. Such systems may be developed by **us** or a third party and may include computer software, databases, and specialized technology.

#### TERMS OF POLICY CONFORMED TO STATUTES

If any provision of this policy fails to conform to the statutes of the state listed on **your** application as **your** residence, the provision shall be deemed amended to conform to such statutes. All other provisions shall be given full force and effect. Any disputes as to the coverages provided or the provisions of this policy shall be governed by the law of the state listed on **your** application as **your** residence.

#### TRANSFER OF INTEREST

The rights and duties under this policy may not be transferred or assigned to another person without **our** written consent. However, if a named insured shown on the **declarations page** dies, this policy will provide coverage until the end of the policy period for the legal representative of the named insured, while acting as such, and for persons covered under this policy on the date of the named insured's death.

#### FRAUD OR MISREPRESENTATION

This policy was issued in reliance upon the information provided on **your** insurance application. **We** may void this policy at any time, including after the occurrence of an accident or loss, if **you**:

- made incorrect statements or representations to us with regard to any material fact or circumstance;
- 2. concealed or misrepresented any material fact or circumstance; or
- 3. engaged in fraudulent conduct;

at the time of application. This means that **we** will not be liable for any claims or damages that would otherwise be covered.

Any changes **we** make at **your** request to this policy after inception will be made in reliance upon information **you** provide. If **you**:

- make incorrect statements or representations to us with regard to any material fact or circumstance;
- 2. conceal or misrepresent any material fact or circumstance; or
- 3. engage in fraudulent conduct;

in connection with a requested change **we** may void the policy or reform it as it existed immediately prior to the requested change. **We** may do this at any time, including after the occurrence of an accident or loss.

When **we** have not voided or reformed the policy, **we** may still deny coverage for an accident or loss if **you**, in connection with the policy application, in connection with any requested change, or at any time during the policy period, have concealed or misrepresented any material fact or circumstance or engaged in fraudulent conduct and that concealment, misrepresentation, or fraudulent conduct was material to a risk **we** assumed.

**We** may deny coverage for an accident or loss if **you** or a person seeking coverage has concealed or misrepresented any material fact or circumstance, or engaged in fraudulent conduct, in connection with the presentation or settlement of a claim.

#### **PAYMENT OF PREMIUM AND FEES**

If your initial premium payment is by check, draft, electronic funds transfer, or similar form of remittance, coverage under this policy is conditioned on payment to **us** by the financial institution. If the financial institution upon presentment does not honor the check, draft, electronic funds transfer, or similar form of remittance, this policy may, at **our** option, be deemed void from its inception. This means **we** will not be liable under this policy for any claims or damages that would otherwise be covered if the check, draft, electronic funds transfer, or similar form of remittance had been honored by the financial institution. Any action by **us** to present the remittance for payment more than once shall not affect **our** right to void this policy.

#### **CANCELLATION**

**You** may cancel this policy during the policy period by calling or writing **us** and stating the future date **you** wish the cancellation to be effective.

**We** may cancel this policy during the policy period by mailing a notice of cancellation to the named insured shown on the **declarations page** at the last known address appearing in **our** records.

Notice of cancellation will be mailed at least 10 days before the effective date of cancellation.

**We** may cancel this policy for any reason if the notice is mailed within the first 59 days of the initial policy period.

After this policy is in effect for more than 59 days, or if this is a renewal or continuation policy, **we** may cancel only for one or more of the following reasons:

- 1. nonpayment of premium;
- 2. you submit a fraudulent claim; or
- loss of driving privileges through suspension or revocation of an operator's license issued to you, any driver in your household, or any regular operator of a covered auto, however, we will not cancel if you complete a Named Driver Exclusion Election for the principal operator whose license has been suspended or revoked.

We may not cancel based solely on the fact that you are an elected official.

Proof of mailing will be sufficient proof of notice. If this policy is cancelled, coverage will not be provided as of the effective date and time shown in the notice of cancellation. For purposes of cancellation, this policy is neither severable nor divisible. Any cancellation will be effective for all coverages for all persons and all vehicles.

#### **CANCELLATION REFUND**

Upon cancellation, **you** may be entitled to a premium refund. However, **our** making or offering of a refund is not a condition of cancellation. **We** charge a fully earned policy fee for each policy period.

If this policy is cancelled, any refund due will be computed on a daily pro rata basis and mailed no later than 15 days after the effective date of cancellation.

# **NONRENEWAL**

If neither **we** nor one of **our** affiliates offers to renew or continue this policy, **we** will mail notice of nonrenewal to the named insured shown on the **declarations page** at the last known address appearing in **our** records. Proof of mailing will be sufficient proof of notice. Notice will be mailed at least 30 days before the end of the policy period. **We** may not refuse to renew solely because of the age of an insured person. **We** may also not refuse to renew based solely on the fact that **you** are an elected official.

If the policy period is other than one year, **we** will only have the right to refuse to renew at each anniversary of the original effective date.

#### **AUTOMATIC TERMINATION**

If **we** or an affiliate offers to renew or continue this policy and **you** or **your** representative does not accept, this policy will automatically terminate at the end of the current policy period. Failure to pay the required renewal or continuation premium when due will mean that **you** have not accepted **our** offer.

If **you** obtain other insurance on a **covered auto**, any similar insurance provided by this policy will terminate as to that **covered auto** on the effective date of the other insurance.

If a **covered auto** is sold or transferred to someone other than **you** or a **relative**, any insurance provided by this policy will terminate as to that **covered auto** on the effective date of the sale or transfer.

#### **LEGAL ACTION AGAINST US**

We may not be sued unless there is full compliance with all the terms of this policy.

**We** may not be sued for payment under Part I—Liability To Others until the obligation of an insured person under Part I to pay is finally determined either by judgment after trial against that person or by written agreement of the insured person, the claimant, and **us**. No one will have any right to make **us** a party to a lawsuit to determine the liability of an insured person.

We may not be sued for contractual benefits under Part II(A)—Medical Payments Coverage, Part II(B)—Personal Injury Protection Coverage, Part III—Uninsured/Underinsured Motorist Coverage, or Part IV—Damage to a Vehicle unless suit is filed within three years of the date of the accident or loss.

If **we** retain salvage, **we** have no duty to preserve or otherwise retain the salvage for any purpose, including evidence for any civil or criminal proceeding.

#### **OUR RIGHTS TO RECOVER PAYMENT**

**We** are entitled to the rights of recovery that the insured person to whom payment was made has against another, to the extent of **our** payment. That insured person may be required to sign documents related to the recovery and must do whatever else **we** require to help **us** exercise those recovery rights, and do nothing after an accident or loss to prejudice those rights.

However, we may not assert rights of recovery:

- against any person who was using a covered auto with your permission for any payment made under Part IV—Damage To A Vehicle; or
- 2. for any payment made under Part II(B)—Personal Injury Protection Coverage. This provision does not apply, and we will have a right of subrogation and a claim against a person causing or contributing to an accident if, on the date of the loss, financial responsibility as required by Chapter 601, Transportation Code, has not been established for a motor vehicle involved in the accident and operated by that person.

When an insured person has been paid by **us** and also recovers from another, the amount recovered will be held by the insured person in trust for **us** and reimbursed to **us** to the extent of **our** payment. If **we** are not reimbursed, **we** may pursue recovery of that amount directly against that insured person.

If an insured person recovers from another without **our** written consent, the insured person's right to payment under any affected coverage will no longer exist.

If **we** elect to exercise **our** rights of recovery against another, **we** will also attempt to recover any deductible incurred by an insured person under this policy unless **we** are specifically instructed by that person not to pursue the deductible. **We** have no obligation to pursue recovery against another for any loss not covered by this policy.

**We** reserve the right to compromise or settle the deductible and property damage claims against the responsible parties for less than the full amount. **We** also reserve the right to incur reasonable expenses and attorney fees in pursuit of the recovery.

If the total recovery is less than the total of **our** payment and the deductible, **we** will reduce reimbursement of the deductible based on the proportion that the actual recovery bears to the total of **our** payment and the deductible. A proportionate share of collection

expenses and attorney fees incurred in connection with these recovery efforts will also reduce reimbursement of the deductible.

These provisions will be applied in accordance with state law.

# **JOINT AND INDIVIDUAL INTERESTS**

If there is more than one named insured on this policy, any named insured may cancel or change this policy. The action of one named insured will be binding on all persons provided coverage under this policy.

# **BANKRUPTCY**

The bankruptcy or insolvency of an insured person will not relieve **us** of any obligations under this policy.

# MUTUALS—MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING NOTICE

The insured is notified that by virtue of this policy, the insured is a member of the Progressive County Mutual Insurance Company and is entitled as is lawfully provided in the charter, constitution, or bylaws to only one vote, regardless of the number of policies owned, either in person or by proxy in any or all meetings of said company. The Annual Meetings are held in its Home Office at Austin, Texas, on the last Saturday in May, in each year, at 10 o'clock AM.

This policy is issued subject to the constitution and bylaws and all amendments thereto of the company, which shall form a part of this policy.

# MUTUALS—PARTICIPATION CLAUSE WITHOUT CONTINGENT LIABILITY

No Contingent Liability: This policy is nonassessable. The policyholder is a member of the company and shall participate, to the extent and upon the conditions fixed and determined by the Board of Directors in accordance with the provisions of law, in the distribution of dividends so fixed and determined.





