



# **Towergate Underwriting Household Towergate Platinum - Policy Summary**

Some important facts about your Towergate Underwriting Household Towergate Platinum insurance are summarised below. This policy summary does not contain the full terms and conditions of the contract. Please read the full policy document to make sure you understand the cover it provides.

#### Insurer

Other than noted immediately below the insurance for this policy is provided by a consortium of insurers comprising, Allianz Insurance plc and Pinnacle Insurance plc. Details of their proportionate shares are shown on the policy schedule.

The Family Legal Costs Insurance and Identity Theft Protection are administered by Arc Legal Assistance and underwritten by Inter Partner Assistance S.A.

The Property Emergency Insurance is underwritten by Inter Partner Assistance SA and the service is provided by Axa Assistance (UK) Ltd.

### Type of insurance

The Towergate Underwriting Household Towergate Platinum policy provides cover for the Buildings and /or Contents of your home, Personal Belongings and Pedal Cycles as selected by you. The Family Legal Costs, Identity Theft Protection and Property Emergency cover is provided automatically.

#### **Duration**

The Towergate Underwriting Household Towergate Platinum insurance policy will remain in force for a period of 12 months from the date of commencement, or as otherwise shown on your policy schedule. You may need to review and update the cover periodically to ensure it remains adequate.

#### **Cancellation rights**

We hope that you are happy with the cover this policy provides. However, you have the right to cancel it within 14 days of inception or renewal or receipt of policy or renewal documentation, whichever is the later, without giving any reasons. If that happens, your premium will be refunded to you, after deduction of a charge for the cover provided from the beginning of the contract to the date of cancellation, and in the event that a claim has not been made that would be considered as having completed the contract.

### Making a claim

If you need to make a claim, you should telephone Towergate Underwriting Household on 01708 777710 or write to Towergate Underwriting Household at Towergate House, St Edwards Court, London Road, Romford, Essex RM7 9OD.

#### How to make a complaint

We hope that you will be pleased with the service provided. However, if you need to make a complaint, in the first instance, please call us on 01708 777710.

We and your Insurers are covered by the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS). If you are unhappy with the response you have received, you have the right to ask the FOS to review your case. Full details of the complaints procedure are contained in the policy wording.

#### Compensation scheme

Towergate Underwriting Household and the insurers of this policy are covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). If we are unable to meet our obligations, you may be entitled to compensation from the scheme, depending on the type of insurance and the circumstances of the claim. Further information is available from the FSCS at <a href="www.fscs.org.uk">www.fscs.org.uk</a>.

SIGNIFICANT FEATURES & BENEFITS	SIGNIFICANT OR UNUSUAL	POLICY
All Sections	EXCLUSIONS OR LIMITATIONS.	SECTION
Towergate Assistance providing 24 hour emergency claims assistance.		How to make a claim under this policy.
Legal, Tax, Concierge, Counselling and Medical advice line available 24 hours a day.		Towergate Platinum Additional Services Helpline.
STANDARD COVER Buildings Cover for the buildings of your home against a range of standard perils.	<ul> <li>an excess of £100, applicable to most claims;</li> <li>certain loss or damage when your home is unoccupied or unfurnished for more than 60 consecutive days;</li> <li>damage caused by animals belonging to you or a member of your family;</li> <li>theft or malicious damage caused by you, your family, guests or tenants;</li> <li>the cost of normal maintenance work;</li> </ul>	Buildings Insurance Section.
Cover is also provided for: - escape of water; - subsidence; - tracing and accessing leaks; - replacement locks if keys are lost or stolen; - alternative accommodation following an insured loss;  - fixed glass, sanitary ware, etc. and underground services; - debris removal costs and architect and surveyors fees; - damage to your garden  - damage to your home or garden caused by emergency entry; - your legal liability as Owner.	<ul> <li>an excess of £250 applies;</li> <li>an excess of £1,000 usually applies;</li> <li>maximum amount payable £5,000;</li> <li>up to £2,500;</li> <li>up to 20% of the Buildings sum insured or £30,000 whichever is the greater plus £20,000 for emergency kennelling;</li> <li>up to £2,500 but no more than £250 for any one tree, shrub of plant;</li> <li>up to £10,000 for damage caused to your garden;</li> <li>limit of indemnity £2m plus agreed costs.</li> </ul>	
Contents Cover for the contents of your home against a range of standard perils.	<ul> <li>an excess of £100, applicable to most claims;</li> <li>certain loss or damage when your home is unoccupied or unfurnished for more than 60 consecutive days;</li> <li>damage caused by animals belonging to you or a member of your family;</li> <li>theft or malicious damage caused by you, your family, guests or tenants;</li> <li>the cost of normal maintenance work;</li> <li>limit on valuables up to 40% of the Contents sum insured plus £12,500 for jewellery;</li> </ul>	Contents Insurance Section.
Cover is also provided for: - escape of water; - accidental damage to audio, TV, video and computer equipment; - contents temporarily removed from the home; - contents in outbuildings or garages; - contents in the open; - damage to your garden; - replacement locks if keys are lost or stolen; - spoilage of frozen food in freezers and refrigerators; - money; - credit cards; - loss of oil and metered water; - business equipment; - students possessions; - alternative accommodation following an insured loss; - increased sum insured for Christmas & Wedding gifts; - your legal liability as Tenant; - your legal liability as Employer of domestic staff.	- an excess of £250 applies; - records, discs, cassettes and similar items;  - up to 20% of the Contents sum insured; - up to £2,500; - up to £2,500 but no more than £250 for any one tree, shrub of plant; - up to £2,500; - up to £1,000; - up to £1,000 or £2,500 if kept in an approved safe; - up to £5,000; - up to 20% of the Contents sum insured plus £5,000 for emergency kennelling; - 10% of the Contents sum insured for each; - up to 20% of the Contents sum insured; - limit of indemnity £2m plus agreed costs; - limit of indemnity £10m including agreed costs.	

Family Legal Costs		
Arc will provide cover for legal costs.	- up to £50,000 per claim;	Family Legal Costs Insurance Section.
Cover applies to you, your spouse and other family members who live with you in your home  Arc will pay legal cost to pursue:	<ul> <li>legal costs incurred by Arc's panel solicitors. The insured is not covered for any other legal representatives costs unless court proceedings are started or a conflict of interest arises;</li> <li>advisors costs that have not been agreed in advance or are above those for which Arc has given prior approval in writing;</li> <li>there must be reasonable prospects of success in taking legal action before a claim for legal costs will be accepted;</li> <li>insured incident must not have begun to occur or have occurred before you purchased this insurance;</li> <li>claims made by or against the Underwriters, Arc or Towergate;</li> </ul>	Section 1
contract claims against a person / organisation providing defective goods or services for your private use;	the contract must have been made after the     Insured first purchased this insurance;	
- personal injury claims against the responsible person / organisation;		
an action before an employment tribunal for breach of your contract of employment;	- the alleged breach of contract must have occurred at least 60 days after legal costs cover started;	
claims arising from the purchase of your main residence;	the purchase must have commenced at least 180 days after the Insured first purchased this insurance or purchased similar cover which expired immediately before this insurance began;	
actions for nuisance or trespass relating to your main Residence;	the nuisance or trespass must have occurred at least 180 days after legal costs cover started;     there is no cover for divorce or matrimonial matters;	
- actions against parties causing physical damage to your main residence;	the damage must have been caused after this insurance had been purchased;	
- claims under the Data Protection Act;		
Arc will pay legal costs to defend: - criminal prosecutions arising from road traffic offences	<ul> <li>no cover         <ul> <li>for prosecutions alleging dishonesty or intentional violence or where the act or omission giving rise to the prosecution was deliberate;</li> <li>where you did not hold or were disqualified from holding a licence to drive or are being prosecuted for driving whilst under the influence of drink or non-prescribed drugs;</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Section 2
- claims arising from the sale of your main residence;	the sale must have commenced at least 180 days after you first purchased this insurance or purchased similar cover which expired immediately before this insurance began;	
- contract claims brought by a person to whom private goods have been sold;	- the contract must have been made after the Insured first purchased this insurance;	
Arc will pay accountancy fees to deal with an investigation into the personal tax you have to pay;	You must have     maintained appropriate records;     made all tax returns at the due time without having to pay any penalty;     provided all information that the Inland Revenue reasonably require;	
Arc will also provide Identity Fraud Protection including legal costs to defend proceedings, reverse incorrect judgements and challenge consumer credit ratings.	<ul> <li>all claims for costs must be substantiated by documentary evidence;</li> <li>only claims which are reasonable and necessary will be considered;</li> <li>amount in dispute must be over £125 plus VAT.</li> </ul>	Identity Theft Protection Insurance
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Legal advice service available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Property Emergency	-	
Axa Assistance (UK) Ltd will provide cover for the emergency incidents-  Emergency incidents covered are:	<ul> <li>up to £300 including VAT per incident;</li> <li>claims not reported via the 24 hour claims service telephone line and not authorised in advance;</li> <li>property that has been unoccupied for more than 60 consecutive days;</li> <li>damage caused to household buildings or contents;</li> <li>breakdown, loss of or damage to domestic appliances or saniflow toilets and other mechanical equipment;</li> <li>non emergency claims;</li> <li>natural wear and tear;</li> </ul>	Property Emergency Insurance Section
<ul> <li>plumbing problems relating to leaking pipes or radiators or blocked drains;</li> <li>blockage of toilet waster pipes;</li> <li>sudden and unforeseen roofing problems;</li> <li>broken or damages windows and doors that present a security risk to the property;</li> <li>gas or electricity failure within the property;</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>electricity supply to or of burglar / fire alarm systems, CCTV surveillance or to swimming pools and their plumbing or filtration systems;</li> </ul>	
- central heating, boiler or hot water failure;	<ul> <li>LPG fuelled, oil fired, warm air, solar or un-vented heating systems;</li> <li>failure occurring during the months May to August inclusive;</li> <li>failure of the boiler or heating systems that have not been inspected or serviced within the preceding twelve months;</li> <li>boiler over 15 years old;</li> </ul>	
<ul><li>vermin inside the main dwelling</li><li>loss of all keys required to access the home.</li></ul>	- garages and other outbuildings.	
Cover is also provided in respect of:  a) our overnight accommodation and / or b) transportation to such accommodation in the event of the property becoming uninhabitable and remaining so overnight.		
OPTIONAL COVER Accidental Damage cover for Buildings and Contents Any type of accidental damage not specifically excluded.	<ul> <li>an excess of £100;</li> <li>wear and tear and loss of value;</li> <li>moth, vermin, wet or dry rot and similar;</li> <li>mechanical or electrical failure.</li> </ul>	Buildings and Contents Insurance Sections.
Personal Possessions Cover for loss, theft or damage to personal possessions anywhere in the world.	<ul> <li>an excess of £100</li> <li>unspecified items limited to £1,500 or £3,000 per item (except in respect of Pedal Cycles which are limited to £500 per item), depending on the contents sum insured;</li> <li>motor vehicles and accessories;</li> <li>sports equipment whilst in use;</li> <li>sports equipment used for water sports and winter sports (unless specified);</li> </ul>	Unspecified and Specified Insurance Sections.
<b>Pedal Cycles</b> Cover for loss, theft or damage to pedal cycles anywhere in the world.	<ul> <li>an excess of £100;</li> <li>theft away from the home, unless in a locked building or locked to a permanent fixture.</li> </ul>	Pedal Cycles Insurance Section.

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