

FAIR PROCESSING NOTICE

Methodist Insurance is committed to the privacy and confidentiality of information that you provide to us. This privacy notice describes our current policies and practices with regard to personal information collected and used by us.

Please take your time to read this notice carefully. When using the Methodist Insurance website, this notice should be read alongside the [website terms and conditions](#).

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1. About us

Methodist Insurance is a specialist insurer of church, residential property owners, commercial and household risks and offers its products to Methodist churches and connected organisations, charities, other voluntary groups and individuals and their families.

Providing insurance services means that we need to collect and process data so that we can provide you with a quote, insurance and where relevant, handle any claims or complaints that might arise. This makes us a "data controller".

If you are unsure about who the data controller of your personal information is, you can also contact us at any time by e-mailing us at compliance@micmail.com or by writing to the Data Protection Officer, Methodist Insurance, Beaufort House, Brunswick Road, Gloucester, GL1 1JZ

2. About the Insurance market

Insurance involves the use and disclosure of your personal data by various insurance market participants such as intermediaries, insurers and reinsurers. The [London Insurance Market Core Uses Information Notice](#) sets out those core necessary personal data uses and disclosures. Our core uses and disclosures are consistent with the London Market Core Uses Information Notice. We recommend you review this notice.

3. Our processing of your personal information

Depending on our relationship with you (for example if you are a policyholder, individual named on a policy, claimant, witness, broker or third party) we will collect different types of personal information about you and use it for different purposes.

From time to time we may ask you to provide or we may receive your "sensitive personal information" otherwise known in data protection laws as "special categories of personal information" (which is information relating to your health, criminal convictions, sex life, sexual orientation, racial or ethnic origin, political opinions, religious or philosophical beliefs, and trade union membership). For example if you apply for home insurance we may need information about any unspent criminal convictions you have or, if you are a named individual under a Methodist Church insurance policy such as a minister, the religious denomination of the church will automatically reveal your religious beliefs. In these circumstances we would use your sensitive personal information to provide a quote and the insurance policy and to process any claims you make. We may also need details of any unspent criminal convictions you have for fraud prevention purposes.

Where you provide personal information to us about other individuals (for example members of your church, or your household) we will also be data controller of and responsible for their personal information. You should refer them to this notice.

We have structured this notice so that you only have to click on the section below that is relevant to you and reflects your relationship with us

3.1 Prospective policyholder or beneficiary under an insurance policy

If you apply for an insurance policy with us (for example a home insurance policy), or someone applies for a policy which will cover you or list you as a named beneficiary (for example a minister covered under the legal expenses section of a church insurance policy) this section will be applicable to you and will provide key information about how we use your personal information.

3.1.1 What personal information will we collect

- Your name and title, address, telephone numbers and email addresses, date of birth and gender.
- Where you are not the person applying for insurance, your relationship or connection to the prospective policyholder.
- Identity information if necessary, including marriage certificate, change of name documentation and executorship details.
- Employment status and related information such as job title, employment history and education.
- Information which is related to your insurance application including:
 - details about previous insurance policies you have held and any previous claims you have made;
 - details about your family such as dependants or spouses; and
 - policy specific information. For example if you are applying for home insurance we will need information about your property and possessions.
- Financial information including:
 - your bank account and payment details;
 - details about your income; and
 - information obtained from checking sanctions lists and credit checks such as bankruptcy orders, individual voluntary arrangements, office disqualifications or county court judgments.
- Information which is available publically such as via internet search engines.

3.1.2 What sensitive personal information will we collect?

- Information about your physical and mental health if relevant to your insurance application (for example where you apply for a policy and advise us of particular needs relating to a disability).
- Information about any criminal offences you have been convicted for and any related information including about any offences or alleged offences you have committed or any court sentences which you are subject to.
- We may also collect information because it is relevant to your application, which reveals or is likely to reveal your race or ethnicity, religious or philosophical beliefs; political opinions; trade union membership; or data concerning your sex life or sexual orientation. For example, where you disclose that you are a minister at a Methodist Church, this will automatically reveal your religious beliefs.

3.1.3 How will we collect your personal information?

Directly from you:

- when you apply for a policy;
 - when we provide you with a quotation; and
- during any communications we have, such as by telephone or email or when you make a general enquiry.

We will also collect your personal information from:

- The prospective policyholder where you are a beneficiary.
- Third parties who we rely on to administer insurance such as brokers, insurers and our own business partners.
- Third parties who provide sanctions checking services.
- Financial crime and fraud detection agencies and other third parties who operate and maintain fraud detection registers and third parties we use to carry out credit checks.

- Companies in the Ecclesiastical Group (which provides administration services for us).
- Public sources such as court judgments, insolvency registers and internet search engines.

3.1.4 What will we use your personal information for?

We use your information in a number of different ways, depending on your particular circumstances. For every use, we must be able to demonstrate that there is a "legal ground" to do so. When using your "personal information", we will rely on the "legal grounds" set out below:

- **We need to use your personal information to enter into or perform the insurance contract that you have applied for.** We will rely on this legal ground for all activities that are connected to your application and without using your personal information we would be unable to do, such as assessing your application against our own risk appetite and providing you with a quote.
- **We have a legal or regulatory obligation to use your personal information.** For example, we have legal obligations to carry out anti-money laundering checks and our regulators require us to maintain records of all dealings with you and to carry out sanctions checks and to comply with our regulatory reporting requirements we may need to send your personal information to our regulators.
- **We have a business need to use your personal information.** Such needs will include keeping business and accounting records, maintaining management information, statistical analysis, developing and testing our systems, analysing our business and improving the services we offer, carrying out strategic reviews of our business models and will cover all activities which are needed to carry out everyday business activities. When relying on this legal ground, we are under a duty to assess your rights and to ensure that we do not use your information unless we can demonstrate a legitimate business need.

When we use your "sensitive personal information" (such as information about your health, religion or criminal offences), we need to have an additional "legal ground". When using your "sensitive personal information", we will rely on the "legal grounds" set out below:

- **We have an insurance purpose to use your sensitive personal information and there is a substantial public interest** such as assessing your insurance application, arranging or administering a policy and preventing and detecting fraud.
- **You have clearly made your sensitive personal information public.** For example where you are a minister of a Methodist church and you have made your religious beliefs common knowledge.
- **We need to use your sensitive personal information to establish, exercise or defend legal rights.** This will be applicable where we are involved in legal proceedings, either against us or where we want to instigate them ourselves.
- **You have given your consent.**

3.1.5 What are the legal grounds on which we will use your personal information?

What is the purpose for using your personal information	Legal grounds for using your personal information	Legal grounds for using your sensitive personal information
To assess your insurance application	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is necessary to enter into or perform your insurance contract • We have a business need (to assess all insurance applications against our own risk appetite.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is necessary for the insurance purpose of administering an insurance policy. • You have made this information public knowledge.
To carry out fraud, credit and anti-money laundering checks on you	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is necessary to enter into or perform your insurance contract. • We have a legal obligation. • We have a business need (to prevent fraud 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is in the substantial public interest to prevent or detect unlawful acts (where we suspect fraud). • We need to establish, exercise or defend legal rights.

	and other financial crime).	
To comply with our legal or regulatory obligations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have a legal obligation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We need to establish, exercise or defend legal rights.
To generally communicate with you and handle any queries about your application.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is necessary to enter into or perform your insurance contract. We have a business need (to respond to all communications). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We need to establish, exercise or defend legal rights. You have made this information public knowledge.
For business purposes such as systems development, migration of systems and live testing, diagnosing any problems with our servers and website.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have a business need (to run an efficient business) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is necessary for the insurance purpose of administering an insurance policy.
For business purposes such as maintaining management information, internal audits, and carrying out statistical and strategic analysis.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have a business need (to run an efficient business and improve our business) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is necessary for the insurance purpose of administering an insurance policy.
To provide improved quality, training and security (for example, through recorded or monitored phone calls to our contact numbers, or carrying out customer satisfaction surveys).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have a business need (to develop and improve the services we offer). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is necessary for the insurance purpose of administering an insurance policy.

3.1.6 Who will we share your personal information with?

We do not share or distribute your personal information other than to the following third parties and only under the limited circumstances we have set out above:

- The policyholder where you are a beneficiary.
- Third parties who we rely on to administer your application such as brokers, insurers and our own business partners.
- Third parties who provide sanctions checking services.
- Insurance industry bodies.
- Financial crime and fraud detection agencies and other third parties who operate and maintain fraud detection registers and third parties we use to carry out credit checks.
- Companies in the Ecclesiastical Group (which provides administration services for us).
- Service providers we have contracted with including our subcontractors and agents, auditors, our solicitors, actuaries, IT providers and database providers, marketing mailing providers and business suppliers.
- Any third parties in the event of a sale, merger, reorganisation, transfer or dissolution of our business.
- The Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority who are our regulators.
- Law enforcement agencies such as the police, HMRC and taxation authorities.
- Our own insurers and companies who we have appointed to assist with arranging our insurance.

3.2 Policyholder or beneficiary under an insurance policy

If you have an insurance policy with us (for example a home insurance policy), if the policy covers you or if you are a named individual under an insurance policy with us (for example a minister under a church legal expenses insurance policy) this section will be applicable to you and will provide key information about how we use your personal information.

3.2.1 What personal information will we collect?

- Your name and title, address, telephone numbers and email addresses, date of birth and gender.
- Where you are not the policyholder, your relationship or connection to the policyholder.
- Identity information if necessary, including marriage certificate, change of name documentation and executorship details.
- Employment status and related information such as job title, employment history and education.
- Information which is related to your insurance policy including:
 - details about previous insurance policies you have held and any previous claims you have made;
 - details about your family such as dependants or spouses; and
 - policy specific information. For example if you have home insurance we will need information about your property and possessions.
- Financial information including:
 - your bank account and payment details;
 - details about your income; and
 - information obtained from checking sanctions lists and credit checks such as bankruptcy orders, individual voluntary arrangements, office disqualifications or county court judgments.
- Information which is relevant to any claims you make under your policy. This could include photographic evidence you provide us with, for example if you make a claim under your home contents insurance policy, we will need information about damaged items.
- Information which is available publically such as internet search engines and social media where we need to investigate fraudulent claims.

3.2.2 What sensitive personal information will we collect?

- Information about your physical and mental health if relevant to your insurance policy or any claims you make (for example where you apply for a policy and advise us of particular needs relating to a disability).
- Information about any criminal offences you have been convicted for and any related information including about any offences or alleged offences you have committed or any court sentences which you are subject to.
- We may also collect information because it is relevant to your policy or claim, which reveals or is likely to reveal your race or ethnicity, religious or philosophical beliefs; political opinions; trade union membership; or data concerning your sex life or sexual orientation. For example, where we process information about you because you are a minister at a Methodist Church, this will automatically reveal your religious beliefs.

3.2.3 How will we collect your personal information?

When you are the policyholder, directly from you:

- when we provide you with a quote;
- when you apply for or renew a policy;
- when you make a claim on your policy; and
- during any communications we have, such as by telephone or email or when you make a complaint or general enquiry.

We will also collect your personal information from:

- The policyholder where you are a beneficiary.

- A third party who has power of attorney over you.
- Third parties who we rely on to administer insurance and handle claims such as brokers, insurers, third party claimants, defendants, witnesses and our own business partners.
- Third parties we (or you) appoint to assist with an insurance policy or claim such as claims handlers, medical experts, investigators and loss adjusters.
- Third parties who provide sanctions checking services.
- Insurance industry bodies.
- Financial crime and fraud detection agencies and other third parties who operate and maintain fraud detection registers and third parties we use to carry out credit checks.
- Companies in the Ecclesiastical Group (which provides administration services for us).
- Public sources such as court judgments, insolvency registers, internet search engines and social media where we need to investigate fraudulent claims.
- The Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority who are our regulators.

3.2.4 What will we use your personal information for?

We use your information in a number of different ways, depending on your particular circumstances. For every use, we must be able to demonstrate that there is a "legal ground" to do so. When using your "personal information", we will rely on the "legal grounds" set out below:

- **We need to use your personal information to enter into or perform the insurance contract that you have taken out with us.** We will rely on this legal ground for all activities that are connected to your insurance contract and without using your personal information we would be unable to do, such as providing you with a quote, providing insurance cover, handling claims and responding to complaints.
- **We have a legal or regulatory obligation to use your personal information.** For example, we have legal obligations to carry out anti-money laundering checks and our regulators require us to maintain records of all dealings with you and to carry out sanctions checks and to comply with our regulatory reporting requirements we may need to send your personal information to our regulators.
- **We have a business need to use your personal information.** Such needs will include keeping business and accounting records, maintaining management information, statistical analysis, developing and testing our systems, analysing our business and improving the services we offer, carrying out strategic reviews of our business models and will cover all activities which are needed to carry out everyday business activities. When relying on this legal ground, we are under a duty to assess your rights and to ensure that we do not use your information unless we can demonstrate a legitimate business need.

When we use your "sensitive personal information" (such as information about your health, religion or criminal offences), we need to have an additional "legal ground". When using your "sensitive personal information", we will rely on the "legal grounds" set out below:

- **We have an insurance purpose to use your sensitive personal information and there is a substantial public interest** such as assessing your insurance application in particular against our own risk appetite, arranging or administering a policy, handling claims and preventing and detecting fraud.
- **You have clearly made your sensitive personal information public.** For example where you are a minister of a Methodist church and you have made your religious beliefs common knowledge.
- **We need to use your sensitive personal information to establish, exercise or defend legal rights.** This will be applicable where we are involved in legal proceedings, either against us or where we want to instigate them ourselves or when we are investigating a legal claim that a third party brings against you.
- **You have given your consent.**

3.2.5 What are the legal grounds on which we will use your personal information?

What is the purpose for using your personal information	Legal grounds for using your personal information	Legal grounds for using your sensitive personal information
To provide an insurance policy with appropriate cover	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is necessary to enter into or perform your insurance contract • We have a business need (to provide insurance cover which is in line with our own risk appetite) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is necessary for the insurance purpose of administering an insurance policy. • You have made this information public knowledge.
To handle any claims you make under your insurance policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is necessary to enter into or perform your insurance contract • We have a business need (to investigate claims, respond and conclude all claims). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is necessary for the insurance purpose of administering a claim under an insurance policy. • We need to establish, exercise or defend legal rights. • You have made this information public knowledge.
To carry out fraud, credit and anti-money laundering checks on you when you enter into a policy and to prevent any fraudulent claims	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is necessary to enter into or perform your insurance contract. • We have a legal obligation. • We have a business need (to prevent fraud and other financial crime). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is in the substantial public interest to prevent or detect unlawful acts (where we suspect fraud). • It is necessary for the insurance purpose of administering an insurance policy. • We need to establish, exercise or defend legal rights.
To comply with our legal or regulatory obligations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have a legal obligation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is necessary for the insurance purpose of administering an insurance policy. • We need to establish, exercise or defend legal rights.
To handle any complaints you may have and generally communicate with you.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is necessary to enter into or perform your insurance contract. • We have a business need (to respond to all communications and complaints and investigate and resolve complaints). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We need to establish, exercise or defend legal rights. • You have made this information public knowledge.
To apply for and claim on our own insurance.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have a business need (to have our own insurance cover in place) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is necessary for the insurance purpose of administering an insurance policy. • We need to establish, exercise or defend legal rights.

For business purposes such as systems development migration of systems and live testing, diagnosing any problems with our servers and website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have a business need (to run an efficient business) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is necessary for the insurance purpose of administering an insurance policy.
For business purposes such as maintaining management information and carrying out statistical and strategic analysis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have a business need (to run an efficient business and improve our business) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is necessary for the insurance purpose of administering an insurance policy.
For financial purposes such as maintaining management information and accounting records and carrying out audits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have a business need (to maintain appropriate financial records) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is necessary for the insurance purpose of administering an insurance policy.
To provide improved quality, training and security (for example, through recorded or monitored phone calls to our contact numbers, or carrying out customer satisfaction surveys).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have a business need (to develop and improve the services we offer). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is necessary for the insurance purpose of administering an insurance policy.
To contact you to inform you about services we think you might be interested in.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have a business need (to inform you about other services we offer). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You have provided your consent.

3.2.6 Who will we share your personal information with?

We do not share or distribute your personal information other than to the following third parties and only under the limited circumstances we have set out above:

- The policyholder where you are a beneficiary.
- A third party who has power of attorney over you.
- Third parties who we rely on to provide insurance and handle claims such as brokers, insurers, third party claimants, defendants, witnesses and our own business partners.
- Third parties we (or you) appoint to assist with an insurance policy or claim such as claims handlers, medical experts, surveyors, investigators and loss adjusters.
- Third parties who provide sanctions checking services.
- Insurance industry bodies.
- Financial crime and fraud detection agencies and other third parties who operate and maintain fraud detection registers and third parties we use to carry out credit checks including the Claims Underwriting Exchange (known as "CUE").
- Companies in the Ecclesiastical Group (which provides administration services for us).
- Service providers we have contracted with including our subcontractors and agents, auditors, our solicitors, actuaries, IT providers and database providers, marketing mailing providers and business suppliers.
- Any third parties in the event of a sale, merger, reorganisation, transfer or dissolution of our business.
- The Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority who are our regulators.
- Law enforcement agencies such as the police, HMRC and taxation authorities.
- Our own insurers and companies who we have appointed to assist with arranging our insurance.

3.3 Third party claimant

If you make a claim against a third party who has an insurance policy with us, this section will be applicable to you and will provide key information about how we use your personal information.

3.3.1 What personal information will we collect?

- Your name and title, address, telephone numbers and email addresses, date of birth and gender
- Identity information such as national insurance number.
- Any information which is related to your claim which could include:
 - your job title and employment status, employment history and salary if relevant;
 - details about the incident; and
 - photographic evidence.
- Information which is available publically such as via internet search engines and social media where we need to investigate potentially fraudulent claims.

3.3.2 What sensitive personal information will we collect?

- Information about your physical and mental health if relevant to the claim you are making.
- Information about any criminal offences you have been convicted for and any related information including about any offences or alleged offences you have committed or any court sentences which you are subject to.
- We may also collect information because it is relevant to your claim, which reveals or is likely to reveal your race or ethnicity, religious or philosophical beliefs; political opinions; trade union membership; or data concerning your sex life or sexual orientation, for example where we seek to validate or investigate a claim we may receive files containing any of the above information. We may also need to collect this information to assess the value of your claim.

3.3.3 How will we collect your personal information?

Directly from you when you contact us to make a claim.

We will also collect your personal information from:

- The policyholder.
- Third parties who we rely on to provide insurance and handle claims such as brokers, insurers, third party claimants, defendants, witnesses and our own business partners.
- Third parties we appoint to assist with a claim such as claims handlers, medical experts, investigators and loss adjusters.
- Third parties involved in the claim process such as lawyers or the Crown Prosecution Service.
- Third parties who provide sanctions checking services.
- Insurance industry bodies.
- Financial crime and fraud detection agencies and other third parties who operate and maintain fraud detection registers and third parties we use to carry out credit checks.
- Companies in the Ecclesiastical Group (which provides administration services for us).
- Public sources such as court judgments, insolvency registers, internet search engines, social media
- The Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority who are our regulators.

3.3.4 What will we use your personal information for?

We use your information in a number of different ways, depending on your particular circumstances. For every use, we must be able to demonstrate that there is a "legal ground" to do so. When using your "personal information", we will rely on the "legal grounds" set out below:

- **We have a legal or regulatory obligation to use your personal information.** For example, we have legal obligations to carry out anti-money laundering checks and our regulators require us to maintain records of all dealings with you and to comply with our regulatory reporting requirements we may need to send your personal information to our regulators.
- **We have a business need to use your personal information.** Such needs will include investigating claims, keeping business and accounting records, maintaining management information, statistical analysis, developing and testing our systems, analysing our business and improving the services we offer, carrying out strategic reviews of our business models and will cover all activities which are needed to carry out everyday business activities. When relying on this legal ground, we are under a duty to assess your rights and to ensure that we do not use your information unless we can demonstrate a legitimate business need.

When we use your “sensitive personal information” (such as information about your health, religion or criminal offences), we need to have an additional “legal ground”. When using your "sensitive personal information", we will rely on the "legal grounds" set out below:

- **We have an insurance purpose to use your sensitive personal information and there is a substantial public interest** such as handling claims and preventing and detecting fraud.
- **We need to use your sensitive personal information to establish, exercise or defend legal rights.** This will be applicable where we are involved in legal proceedings, either against us or where we want to instigate them ourselves or when we are investigating the claim that you have brought against an individual who holds a policy with us.
- **You have given your consent.**

3.3.5 What are the legal grounds on which we will use your personal information?

What is the purpose for using your personal information	Legal grounds for using your personal information	Legal grounds for using your sensitive personal information
To handle your claim	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have a business need (to assess and investigate your claim and deal with it appropriately). • We have a legal obligation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is necessary for the insurance purpose of handling claims. • We need to establish, exercise or defend legal rights.
To carry out fraud checks to prevent any fraudulent claims	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have a business need (to prevent fraud). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is in the substantial public interest to prevent or detect unlawful acts (where we suspect fraud). • We need to establish, exercise or defend legal rights.
To comply with our legal or regulatory obligations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have a legal obligation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is necessary for the insurance purpose of handling claims. • We need to establish, exercise or defend legal rights.
To handle any complaints you may have and generally communicate with you and your medical/legal representatives.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have a business need (to respond to all communications and complaints and investigate and resolve complaints). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We need to establish, exercise or defend legal rights.

To apply for and claim on our own insurance.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have a business need (to have our own insurance cover in place) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is necessary for the insurance purpose of handling claims. We need to establish, exercise or defend legal rights.
For business purposes such as maintaining management information and carrying out statistical and strategic analysis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have a business need (to run an efficient business and improve our business) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is necessary for the insurance purpose of administering an insurance policy.
For business purposes such as systems development, migration of systems and live testing, diagnosing any problems with our servers and website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have a business need (to run an efficient business) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is necessary for the insurance purpose of administering an insurance policy.
For financial purposes such as maintaining management information and accounting records and carrying out audits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have a business need (to maintain appropriate financial records) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is necessary for the insurance purpose of administering an insurance policy.
To provide improved quality, training and security (for example, through recorded or monitored phone calls to our contact numbers, or carrying out customer satisfaction surveys).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have a business need (to develop and improve the services we offer). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is necessary for the insurance purpose of administering an insurance policy.

3.3.6 Who will we share your personal information with?

We do not share or distribute your personal information other than to the following third parties and only under the limited circumstances we have set out above:

- The policyholder.
- Other insurers that are involved in your claim.
- Third parties who we rely on to provide insurance and handle claims such as brokers, insurers, third party claimants, defendants, witnesses and our own business partners.
- Third parties we appoint to assist with a claim such as claims handlers, medical experts, surveyors, investigators and loss adjusters.
- Third parties who provide sanctions checking services.
- Insurance industry bodies.
- Financial crime and fraud detection agencies and other third parties who operate and maintain fraud detection registers and third parties we use to carry out credit checks including the Claims Underwriting Exchange (known as "**CUE**").
- Companies in the Ecclesiastical Group (which provides administration services for us).
- Service providers we have contracted with including our subcontractors and agents, auditors, our solicitors, actuaries, IT providers and database providers, marketing mailing providers and business suppliers.
- Any third parties in the event of a sale, merger, reorganisation, transfer or dissolution of our business.
- The Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority who are our regulators.
- Law enforcement agencies such as the police, HMRC and taxation authorities.
- Our own insurers

3.4 Witness to an incident

If you have witnessed an incident which has now become the subject of a claim, this section will be applicable to you and will provide key information about how we use your personal information.

3.4.1 *What personal information will we collect?*

- Your name and title, address, telephone numbers and email addresses, date of birth and gender.
- Your employment status and related information such as job title, employment history and education.
- Identity documents such as passport, driving licence and national insurance number.
- Information which is available publically such as via internet search engines and social media where we need to investigate potentially fraudulent claims.
- Any information which is related to the incident you witnessed.

3.4.2 *What sensitive personal information will we collect?*

- Information about your physical and mental health if you suffered an injury as a result of the incident you witnessed or where you disclose information to us for example referring to a disability you have.
- Information about any criminal offences you have been convicted for and any related information including about any offences or alleged offences you have committed or any court sentences which you are subject to.

3.4.3 *How will we collect your personal information?*

Directly from you when we contact you to discuss the incident you witnessed.

We will also collect your personal information from:

- Those people involved in the incident such as the policyholder, the claimant and other witnesses.
- Other third parties involved in the incident from an insurance administration perspective such as brokers, insurers, claims handlers, loss adjusters and business partners.
- Third parties we have appointed to assist us in relation to the incident you witnessed such as medical experts and investigators.
- Companies in the Ecclesiastical Group (which provides administration services for us).
- Public sources such as court judgments, insolvency registers, internet search engines, social media.

3.4.4 *What will we use your personal information for?*

We use your information in a number of different ways, depending on your particular circumstances. For every use, we must be able to demonstrate that there is a "legal ground" to do so. When using your "personal information", we will rely on the "legal grounds" set out below:

- **We have a legal or regulatory obligation to use your personal information.** For example, we have legal obligations to carry out anti-money laundering checks and our regulators require us to maintain records of all dealings with you and to comply with our regulatory reporting requirements we may need to send your personal information to our regulators.
- **We have a business need to use your personal information.** Such needs will include investigating claims, keeping business and accounting records, maintaining management information, statistical analysis, developing and testing our systems, analysing our business and improving the services we offer, carrying out strategic reviews of our business models and will cover all activities which are needed to carry out everyday business activities. When relying on this legal ground, we are under a duty to assess your rights and to ensure that we do not use your information unless we can demonstrate a legitimate business need.

When we use your "sensitive personal information" (such as information about your health, religion or criminal offences), we need to have an additional "legal ground". When using your "sensitive personal information", we will rely on the "legal grounds" set out below:

- **We have an insurance purpose to use your sensitive personal information and there is a substantial public interest** such as handling claims and preventing and detecting fraud.

- **We need to use your sensitive personal information to establish, exercise or defend legal rights.**
This will be applicable where we are involved in legal proceedings, either against us or where we want to instigate them ourselves or when we are investigating the claim that has been brought against an individual who holds a policy with us.
- **You have given your consent.**

3.4.5 What are the legal grounds on which we will use your personal information?

What is the purpose for using your personal information	Legal grounds for using your personal information	Legal grounds for using your sensitive personal information
To investigate the claim made and to understand the incident which is the subject of the claim	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have a business need (to assess and investigate your claim and deal with it appropriately). • We have a legal obligation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is necessary for the insurance purpose of handling claims. • We need to establish, exercise or defend legal rights.
To prevent any fraudulent claims	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have a business need (to prevent fraud). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is in the substantial public interest to prevent or detect unlawful acts (where we suspect fraud). • We need to use your information in order to establish, exercise or defend legal rights.
To comply with our legal or regulatory obligations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have a legal obligation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We need to establish, exercise or defend legal rights.
For business purposes such as maintaining management information and carrying out statistical and strategic analysis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have a business need (to run an efficient business and improve our business) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is necessary for the insurance purpose of administering an insurance policy.
For financial purposes such as maintaining management information and accounting records and carrying out audits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have a business need (to maintain appropriate financial records) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is necessary for the insurance purpose of administering an insurance policy.
For business purposes such as systems development, migration of systems and live testing, diagnosing any problems with our servers and website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have a business need (to run an efficient business) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is necessary for the insurance purpose of administering an insurance policy.

3.4.6 Who will we share your personal information with?

We do not share or distribute your personal information other than to the following third parties and only under the limited circumstances we have set out above:

- The policyholder.
- Third parties involved in the incident and their legal and medical representatives.
- Other insurers that are involved in the claim.

- Other third parties involved in the incident from an insurance administration perspective such as brokers, insurers, claims handlers, loss adjusters and business partners.
- Third parties we have appointed to assist us in relation to the incident you witnessed with such as medical experts and investigators.
- Third parties who provide sanctions checking services.
- Insurance industry bodies.
- Financial crime and fraud detection agencies and other third parties who operate and maintain fraud detection registers and third parties we use to carry out credit checks including the Claims Underwriting Exchange (known as "**CUE**").
- Companies in the Ecclesiastical Group (which provides administration services for us).
- Service providers we have contracted with including our subcontractors and agents, auditors, our solicitors, actuaries, IT providers and database providers, business suppliers.
- Any third parties in the event of a sale, merger, reorganisation, transfer or dissolution of our business.
- The Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority who are our regulators.
- Law enforcement agencies such as the police, HMRC and taxation authorities.
- Our own insurers and companies who we have appointed to assist with arranging our insurance.

3.5 Brokers, appointed representatives and other business partners

If you are a broker, appointed representative or another type of business partner such as a supplier or subcontractor that we do business with, this section will be applicable to you and will provide key information about how we use your personal information.

3.5.1 What personal information will we collect?

- Your name and title, address, telephone numbers and email addresses, date of birth and gender.
- Employment status and related information such as job title, employment history and education.
- Bank and payment details.
- Financial information obtained from checking sanctions lists and credit checks such as bankruptcy orders, individual voluntary arrangements, office disqualifications or county court judgments.
- Information which is available publically such as via internet search engines and *Linked In*.

3.5.2 What sensitive personal information will we collect?

- Information about any criminal offences you have been convicted for and any related information including about any offences or alleged offences you have committed or any court sentences which you are subject to.

3.5.3 How will we collect your information?

Directly from you and your employer.

We will also collect your personal information from:

- Third parties who provide sanctions checking services.
- Financial crime and fraud detection agencies and other third parties who operate and maintain fraud detection registers and third parties we use to carry out credit checks.
- Companies in the Ecclesiastical Group (which provides administration services for us).
- Public sources such as court judgments, insolvency registers, internet search engines, social media.

3.5.4 What will we use your personal information for?

We use your information in a number of different ways, depending on your particular circumstances. For every use, we must be able to demonstrate that there is a "legal ground" to do so. When using your "personal information", we will rely on the "legal grounds" set out below:

- **We need to use your personal information to enter into a services contract with you.**
- **We have a legal or regulatory obligation to use your personal information.** For example, we have obligations to carry out due diligence checks on parties we engage with.
- **We have a business need to use your personal information.** Such needs will include keeping business and accounting records, maintaining management information, statistical analysis, developing and testing our systems, analysing our business and improving the services we offer, carrying out strategic reviews of our business models and will cover all activities which are needed to carry out everyday business activities. When relying on this legal ground, we are under a duty to assess your rights and to ensure that we do not use your information unless we can demonstrate a legitimate business need.

When we use your "sensitive personal information" (such as information about your health, religion or criminal offences), we need to have an additional "legal ground". When using your "sensitive personal information", we will rely on the "legal grounds" set out below:

- **There is a substantial public interest** such as preventing and detecting fraud.
- **We need to use your sensitive personal information to establish, exercise or defend legal rights.** This will be applicable where we are involved in legal proceedings, either against us or where we want to instigate them ourselves or when we are investigating a legal claim that a third party brings against you.
- **You have given your explicit consent.**

3.5.5 What are the legal grounds on which we will use your personal information?

What is the purpose for using your personal information	Legal grounds for using your personal information	Legal grounds for using your sensitive personal information
To comply with our legal or regulatory obligations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have a legal obligation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We need to establish, exercise or defend legal rights.
To carry out fraud, credit and anti-money laundering checks on you.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is necessary to enter into or perform your services contract. We have a legal obligation. We have a business need (to prevent fraud). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is in the substantial public interest to detect fraud.
To engage with you and obtain your services and generally communicate with you.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is necessary to enter into or perform your services contract. We have a business need (to respond to all communications and complaints and investigate and resolve complaints). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We need to establish, exercise or defend legal rights. You have made this public knowledge.
For business purposes such as systems development, migration of systems and live testing, diagnosing any problems with our servers and website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have a business need (to run an efficient business) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is necessary for the insurance purpose of administering an insurance policy. We have your explicit consent.
For business purposes such as maintaining management information, internal audits and carrying out statistical and strategic analysis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have a business need (to run an efficient business and improve our business) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is necessary for the insurance purpose of administering an insurance policy. We have your explicit consent.
For financial purposes such as maintaining management information and accounting records and carrying out audits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have a business need (to maintain appropriate financial records) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is necessary for the insurance purpose of administering an insurance policy. We have your explicit consent.

3.5.6 Who will we share your personal information with?

We do not share or distribute your personal information other than to the following third parties and only under the limited circumstances we have set out above:

- Third parties including the policyholder and claimant.
- Third parties who we engage with when administering a policy or claim such as claims handlers, medical experts, surveyors, investigators and loss adjusters.
- Insurers and brokers.
- Third parties who provide sanctions checking services.

- Insurance industry bodies.
- Financial crime and fraud detection agencies and other third parties who operate and maintain fraud detection registers and third parties we use to carry out credit checks.
- Companies in the Ecclesiastical Group (which provides administration services for us).
- Service providers we have contracted with including our subcontractors and agents, auditors, our solicitors, actuaries, IT providers and database providers, marketing mailing providers and business suppliers.
- Any third parties in the event of a sale, merger, reorganisation, transfer or dissolution of our business.
- The Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority who are our regulators.
- Law enforcement agencies such as the police, HMRC and taxation authorities.
- Our own insurers and companies who we have appointed to assist with arranging our insurance.

3.6 Users of the Methodist Insurance website

If you use or access the Methodist Insurance website, this section will be applicable to you and will provide key information about how we use your personal information.

3.6.1 What personal information will we collect?

- Name, contact details, postcode and IP address
- Information obtained through our use of cookies. You can find more information about this in our cookies policy [here](#).

3.6.2 How will we collect your personal information?

We collect your information directly from our website and where you have submitted any information on our website.

3.6.3 What will we use your personal information for?

We use your information in a number of different ways, depending on your particular circumstances. For every use, we must be able to demonstrate that there is a "legal ground" to do so. When using your "personal information", we will rely on the "legal grounds" set out below:

- **We have a business need to use your personal information**, such as developing and testing our systems, analysing our business and improving the services we offer, diagnosing any problems with our website and assessing usage of our website. When relying on this legal ground, we are under a duty to assess your rights and to ensure that we do not use your information unless we can demonstrate a legitimate business need.

3.6.4 What are the legal grounds on which we will use your personal information?

What is the purpose for using your personal information	Legal grounds for using your personal information	Legal grounds for using your sensitive personal information
To respond to any enquiries you make.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• We have a business need (to respond to all enquiries made on our website).	-
To provide marketing materials about products and services we think you might be interested in.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• We have a business need (to inform you about other services we offer).	-

3.6.5 Who will we share your personal information with?

We do not share or distribute your personal information other than to the following third parties and only under the limited circumstances we have set out above:

- Companies in the Ecclesiastical Group (which provides administration services for us).
- Service providers we have contracted with relating to the website such as our subcontractors and agents and website providers.

4. What marketing activities do we carry out?

We may use your personal information to provide you with information about our services or to send you newsletters and risk advice notes which may be of interest to you where you are an existing client, policyholder or where you have provided your consent for us to do so.

We are committed to only sending you marketing emails that you have clearly expressed an interest in receiving. If you no longer wish to receive information from us and want to be removed from our standard mailing list you can "unsubscribe" by clicking the link that appears in all such emails or by post using the details set out in section 8. Please note that by stopping these communications you may not hear about a new product or services such as a new mortgage or additions to our insurance that may save you money.

Please note that, even if you opt out of receiving marketing messages, we may still send you communications which are relevant to the type of services we provide you with.

5. Automated Decision-Making

We make some decisions automatically inputting your personal information into a system and computer and the decision is reached using certain processes and algorithms, rather than our employees making the decisions themselves. This is called 'automated decision making' and we will use this on certain products at the underwriting stage.

We use your personal information (for example address and property details and details of your charitable or commercial activities) to determine your eligibility for particular cover under an insurance policy and your insurance premium. This takes into account whether the risk presented fits our risk appetite, and if so, allows us to calculate the price to be charged.

You have a right not to be subject to the automated decision-making described above and you can contact us, using the details set out in section 10, to request that any declined decision is reconsidered. If you want to opt out of automatic decision-making, let us know, although in some circumstances it may mean we can't offer you a quote or policy as some automated decisions are necessary to provide your insurance policy.

6. How long do we keep personal information for?

We will only keep your personal information for as long as reasonably necessary to fulfil the purposes set out in section 3 above and to comply with our legal and regulatory obligations.

For example, we keep property claim files for at least 6 years, and where long term liability claims may arise, we keep policy information for at least 60 years.

If you would like further information about how long we will keep your personal information for, please contact us using the details set out in section 10.

7. What is our approach to sending your personal information overseas

There may be some instances where your personal information is transferred to countries outside of the European Economic Area ("EEA") such as when we transfer information to companies in the Ecclesiastical Group (which provides administration services for us) or to third party suppliers who are based outside the EEA or when third parties who act on our behalf transfer your personal information to countries outside the EEA.

Where such a transfer takes place, we will take the appropriate safeguarding measures to ensure that your personal information is adequately protected. We will do so in a number of ways including:

- entering into data transfer contracts and using specific contractual provisions that has been approved by European data protection authorities otherwise known as the "standard contractual clauses";
- transferring personal data only to companies in the United States who are certified under the "Privacy Shield". The Privacy Shield is a scheme whereby companies certify that they provide an adequate level of data protection. You can find out more about the Privacy Shield [\[here\]](#); or
- we will only transfer personal data to companies in non-EEA countries who have been deemed by European data protection authorities to have adequate levels of data protection for the protection of personal information. You can find out more about this [\[here\]](#).

We are also entitled under European data protection laws to transfer your personal information to countries outside the EEA in the following circumstances:

- it is necessary for the performance of the contract we have with you
- it is necessary to protect your vital interests i.e. it is a life or death situation.

Depending on our relationship and your particular circumstances, we might transfer personal information anywhere in the world. A summary of our regular data transfers outside the EEA is set out below:

Country of transfer	Reason for the transfer	Method we use to protect your information
The Philippines	One of our claims supply chain partners processes some data in the Philippines	We have entered into standard contractual clauses with the company and established that appropriate security measures are in place
Tel Aviv - Israel	Our insurance and reinsurance processing platform currently under development is provided by a company based in Tel Aviv.	Israel has been deemed to offer an adequate level of data protection

If you would like further information regarding our data transfers and the steps we take to safeguard your personal information, please contact us using the details set out in section 10.

8. How do we protect your information?

We implement and maintain appropriate technical and organisational measures to ensure the ongoing confidentiality, integrity, availability and resilience of processing systems and services. These include but are not limited to the following key activities:

- We adopt a framework of information security controls operating at different levels within the company to restrict access and safeguard systems, in accordance with a 'defence in depth' methodology (which is the coordinated use of multiple security controls to protect the integrity of the information and assets in the company's IT network);
- We have an established, documented information security and data protection policy framework which is regularly reviewed to consider changes in technology, regulations and threats;
- We maintain encryption technologies to encrypt data stored on portable computers and portable media, and ensure security when data is transferred;
- We maintain awareness and education on information security and data protection in all areas of our business;
- We conduct risk based due diligence on our suppliers;
- We operate a programme of testing the effectiveness of our information security measures.

9. Your rights

You have several data protection rights which entitle you to request information about your personal information, to dictate what we do with it or to stop us using it in certain ways.

If you wish to exercise the rights set out below, please contact us at any time using the details set out in section 8. There will not normally be a charge for this.

We respect your rights in relation to personal information we hold about you, however we cannot always comply with your requests, for example:

- we may not be able to delete your information if we are required by law to keep it for a longer period of time; or
- we may not be able to provide a copy of your personal information if it is subject to legal professional privilege (or in Scotland confidentiality of communications), or consists of the records of our intentions in relation to any negotiations with you if disclosure would be likely to prejudice those negotiations; or
- we may not be able to delete your information if we would not have the necessary information we need to provide insurance cover or pay out on a claim.

However we will always inform you why we cannot comply with your request.

In some circumstances, complying with your request may result in your insurance policy being cancelled or your claim being discontinued.

The right to access your personal information

You can request a copy of the personal information we hold about you and certain details of how we use it.

Your personal information will normally be provided to you in writing unless you request otherwise or where you have made a request by electronic means such as email, we will provide such information in electronic form where possible.

The right to withdraw your consent

Where we rely on consent as the legal ground to use your personal information, you are entitled to withdraw that original consent.

Please note that for certain uses of your personal information, we need your consent in order to provide your policy. If you exercise this right and withdraw your consent, we may need to cancel your policy or we may not be able to pay your claim. We will inform you of these consequences when you withdraw your consent.

The right to rectification

We make reasonable efforts to keep your personal information where necessary up to date, complete and accurate. We encourage you to ensure that your personal information is accurate so please regularly let us know if you believe that the information we hold about you may be inaccurate or not complete. We will correct and amend any such personal information and notify any third party recipients of necessary changes.

The right to restriction of processing

Subject to the circumstances in which you exercise this right, you can request that we stop using your personal information, such as where you believe that we no longer need to use your personal information.

The right to data portability

Subject to the circumstances in which you exercise this right, you can request that we port across personal information you have provided to us to a third party in a commonly used and machine-readable format.

The right to erasure

You can request that we delete your personal information. For example, where we no longer need your personal information for the original purpose we collected it for or where you have exercised your right to withdrawn consent.

Whilst we will assess every request, this request is subject to legal and regulatory requirements that we are required to comply with.

The right to object to direct marketing

You can request that we stop sending you marketing messages at any time by clicking on the "unsubscribe" button in any such emails that we send to you or by contacting us using the details set out in section 9.

Please note that even if you exercise this right because you do not want to receive marketing messages, we may still send you service related communications where necessary.

Rights relating to automated decision-making

If you have been subject to an automated decision and do not agree with the outcome, you can contact us using the details set out in section 10 and ask us to review the decision.

The right to make a complaint with the ICO

Where you believe that we have breached data protection laws when using your personal information, you can complain to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO). For more information visit the ICO's website at <https://ico.org.uk/>. Please note that exercising this right and lodging a complaint will not affect any other legal rights or remedies that you have.

10. Contacting us

If you would like further information about the ways we use your personal information, further clarity on how we use your personal information or anything referred to in this notice, please contact our Data Protection Officer at compliance@micmail.com or by writing to the Data Protection Officer, Methodist Insurance, Beaufort House, Brunswick Road, Gloucester, GL1 1JZ

11. Updates to this notice

We are continually improving our methods of communication and alongside with changes in the law and the changing nature of technology, our data practices and how we use your data will change from time to time. If and when our data practices change and you are a customer of Methodist Insurance, we will notify you and we will provide you with the most up-to-date notice. You can view it by checking our website [here](#).

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