

# Ritz Tours Travel Protection Plan

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This document holds all of the relevant information you will need in regard to your travel protection plan.

**Please review the following two (2) sections:**

- **Travel Protection Policy/Certificate of insurance**  
*Including Applicable State Exceptions provided by Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company and Affiliated Companies, Columbus, OH*
- **Non-Insurance and Travel Assistance Services**  
*Provided by On Call International and Co-Ordinated Benefit Plans, LLC*

# Summary of Benefits

Administered by:  
Co-ordinated Benefit Plans

## IMPORTANT

Note: certain capitalized words are defined terms in the attached Policy/Certificate of insurance.

**Please ensure to review Your State Specific Endorsements at the end of this document.**

The following Schedule of Benefits shows the Maximum Benefit Amounts available through this program. Please review to determine which benefits and limits apply to Your Trip. This document is a Summary of Benefits. Full coverage details, terms and conditions can be found in the Policy/Certificate of insurance.

### SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS

COVERAGES	MAXIMUM BENEFIT PER PERSON PER TRIP
Trip Interruption Maximum Benefit	\$1,000
Trip Delay Maximum Benefit Maximum Benefit Per Day	\$1,000 \$350
Missed Connection Maximum Benefit	\$1,000
Accidental Death & Dismemberment Principal Sum	\$10,000
Emergency Accident and Sickness Medical Expense Maximum Benefit Dental Expenses	\$25,000 \$500
Emergency Evacuation Maximum Benefit	\$50,000
Repatriation of Remains Maximum Benefit	\$50,000
Baggage/Personal Effects Maximum Benefit Per Article Limit Combined Article Limit	\$1,000 \$500 \$500
Baggage Delay Maximum Benefit	\$250

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This Policy/Certificate of insurance includes coverage for Pre-existing Conditions when purchased within fourteen (14) days of the Initial Deposit Date. Please ensure to review the full coverage details, terms and conditions.

There are also Non-Insurance and Emergency Travel Assistance Services provided in this Travel Protection Plan. The details of these services including important phone numbers can be found at the end of this document.

## Texas Notice

### Have a complaint or need help?

If you have a problem with a claim or your premium, call your insurance company first. If you can't work out the issue, the Texas Department of Insurance may be able to help.

Even if you file a complaint with the Texas Department of Insurance, you should also file a complaint or appeal through your insurance company. If you don't, you may lose your right to appeal.

#### **Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company**

To get information or file a complaint with your insurance company:

**Call Toll free: 1-877-669-6877**

Mail: One Nationwide Plaza  
Columbus, OH 43215

#### **The Texas Department of Insurance**

To get help with an insurance question or file a complaint with the state:

Call with a question: 1-800-252-3439

File a complaint: [www.tdi.texas.gov](http://www.tdi.texas.gov)

Email: [ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov](mailto:ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov)

Mail: Consumer Protection, MC: CO-CP,  
Texas Department of Insurance, P.O. Box  
12030, Austin, TX 78711-2030

#### **ATTACH THIS NOTICE TO YOUR POLICY:**

This notice is for information only and does not become a part or condition of the attached document.

### ¿Tiene una queja o necesita ayuda?

Si tiene un problema con una reclamación o con su prima de seguro, llame primero a su compañía de seguros. Si no puede resolver el problema, es posible que el Departamento de Seguros de Texas (Texas Department of Insurance, por su nombre en inglés) pueda ayudar.

Aun si usted presenta una queja ante el Departamento de Seguros de Texas, también debe presentar una queja a través del proceso de quejas o de apelaciones de su compañía de seguros. Si no lo hace, podría perder su derecho para apelar.

#### **Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company**

Para obtener información o para presentar una queja ante su compañía de seguros:

**Llame a Teléfono gratuito: 1-877-669-6877**

Dirección postal: One Nationwide Plaza  
Columbus, OH 43215

#### **El Departamento de Seguros de Texas**

Para obtener ayuda con una pregunta relacionada con los seguros o para presentar una queja ante el estado:

Llame con sus preguntas al: 1-800-252-3439

Presente una queja en: [www.tdi.texas.gov](http://www.tdi.texas.gov)

Correo electrónico:

[ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov](mailto:ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov)

Dirección postal: Consumer Protection, MC: CO-CP,  
Texas Department of Insurance, P.O. Box 12030,  
Austin, TX 78711-2030

#### **ADJUNTE ESTE AVISO A SU PÓLIZA:**

Este aviso es solamente para propósitos informativos y no se convierte en parte o en condición del documento adjunto.



Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company  
One Nationwide Plaza  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

This Certificate of insurance describes all of the travel insurance benefits, underwritten by Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company (herein referred to as the Company). The insurance benefits vary from program to program. Please refer to the accompanying purchase confirmation and Schedule of Benefits for specific information about the program You purchased. Please contact the administrator immediately if You believe that any of the information provided is incorrect.

This Certificate of insurance is issued in consideration of enrollment and payment of any premium due. All statements in the enrollment are representations and not warranties. Only statements contained in a written enrollment format will be used to void insurance, reduce benefits or defend a claim.

All premium is refundable only during the ten (10) day review period from the date of purchase (or from the date of receipt if mailed) provided You have not already departed on Your Trip and You have not incurred any claimable losses during that time. If You depart on Your Trip prior to the expiration of the review period, the review period shall automatically end upon Your departure.

You are not eligible to purchase coverage or receive benefits under this Certificate if You are unable to travel, are limited from travel, are medically restricted from travel, or are experiencing and/or are under treatment for any illness or injury that limits or restricts Your ability to travel on the date of purchase.

You are not eligible to purchase coverage or receive benefits under this Certificate if You have other insurance coverage for the loss(es) for which this Certificate is intended to insurance against. Multiple recovers for the same loss covered by other insurance coverage is not available under this Certificate.

NO DIVIDENDS WILL BE PAYABLE UNDER THIS CERTIFICATE.

The President and Secretary of Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company witness this Certificate.



*Secretary*



*President*

Licensed Resident Agent  
(where required by law)

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### LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS

**NATIONWIDE MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY  
TRAVEL PROTECTION INSURANCE CERTIFICATE**

**GENERAL DEFINITIONS**

Throughout this document, when capitalized, certain words and phrases are defined as follows:

**Accident** means a sudden, unexpected, unintended, specific event that occurs at an identifiable time and place but shall also include exposure resulting from a mishap to a conveyance in which You are traveling.

**Accidental Injury** means Bodily Injury caused by an Accident (of external origin) that: 1) occurs while Your coverage is in effect under this Certificate; and 2) requires physical examination and medical treatment by a Physician. The Injury must be the direct cause of loss, must be independent of all other causes, and must not be caused by or resulting from Your Sickness. The injury must be verified by a Physician in a format acceptable to the Company.

**Actual Cash Value** means the lesser of the replacement cost and the purchase price less Depreciation.

**Bodily Contact Sports** means any competitive team sport in which players or participants may have direct physical contact with an opponent. Bodily Contact Sports include but are not limited to: football, soccer, baseball, wrestling, ice hockey, rugby and lacrosse.

**Bodily Injury** means identifiable physical injury that is caused by an Accident and is independent of disease or bodily infirmity.

**Certificate** means this document, and any endorsements, riders or amendments that will attach during the period of coverage.

**Checked Baggage** means Personal Effects brought by You for planned use on Your Trip for which a claim check has been issued to You by a Common Carrier.

**Common Carrier** means any land, sea, and/or air conveyance operating under a valid license for the transportation of passengers for hire. Taxis, limousines, and ride share services are not Common Carriers as defined herein.

**Company** means Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company.

**Complications of Pregnancy** means conditions requiring hospital confinement whose diagnoses are distinct from the pregnancy, but are adversely affected by the pregnancy, including, but not limited to: acute nephritis, nephrosis, cardiac decompression, missed abortion, pre-eclampsia, intrauterine fetal growth retardation, and similar medical and surgical conditions of comparable severity. Complications of Pregnancy also includes termination of ectopic pregnancy, and spontaneous termination of pregnancy, occurring during a period of gestation in which a viable birth is not possible. Complications of Pregnancy do not include elective abortion, elective cesarean section, false labor, occasional spotting, morning sickness, physician prescribed rest during the period of pregnancy, hyperemesis gravidarum, and similar conditions associated with the management of a difficult pregnancy not constituting a distinct complication of pregnancy.

**Cruise** means any pre-paid sea arrangements made by You.

**Deductible** means the amount of expenses for covered services and supplies that must be incurred by You before specified benefits become payable.

**Depreciation** means a reduction in value of ten percent (10%) per year from date of purchase for items accompanied by original receipts. For items not accompanied with a receipt, a reduction in value of twenty five percent (25%) the first year and ten percent (10%) per year thereafter. Depreciation will be calculated up to a maximum of eighty 80% from the estimated date of purchase as provided by You. There will be no reduction in value for an item less than one (1) year old and accompanied by an original receipt.

**Domestic Partner** means a person who is at least eighteen (18) years of age with whom You reside and can show evidence of cohabitation and shared financial assets and obligations for at least the previous six (6) months and has an affidavit of domestic partnership, if recognized by the jurisdiction within which You reside.

**Economy Fare** means the lowest published rate for a one-way economy ticket.

**Effective Date** means 12:01 A.M. local time, at Your location, on the day after the required premium for such coverage is received by the Company or its authorized representative.

**Eligible Person** means a resident of the United States who is listed on Your purchase confirmation, is scheduled to take a Trip, elects to enroll in the Certificate, and pays the required premium.

**Extreme Sports** means any high-risk non-team sport or recreation activity that is dangerous and if performed optimally, even by the highly skilled, risks loss of life or limb. Extreme Sports often involve speed, height, a high level of physical exertion and/or highly specialized gear. Extreme Sports include but are not limited to: skydiving, BASE jumping, hang gliding, Parachuting, bungee jumping, caving, rappelling, spelunking, white or black water rafting above Grade 3, Skiing or snowboarding outside marked trails or in an area accessed by helicopter, Mountaineering, any high-altitude activity, personal combat or fighting sports, rodeo, racing or practicing to race any motorized vehicle, bicycle or watercraft, free diving, and scuba diving at a depth greater than sixty (60) feet or without a dive master.

**Family Member** means Your or Your Traveling Companion's legal or common law spouse, parent, legal guardian, step-parent, grandparent, parents-in-law, grandchild, natural or adopted child, step-child, children-in-law, brother, sister, step-brother, step-sister, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, aunt, uncle, niece or nephew or Domestic Partner who reside in the United States, Canada or Mexico.

**Hazard** means:

- a) Any delay of a Common Carrier (including Inclement Weather);
- b) Any delay by a traffic Accident en route to a departure, in which You or Your Traveling Companion is not directly involved;
- c) Any delay due to lost or stolen passports, travel documents or money, Quarantine, hijacking, unannounced Strike, Natural Disaster, civil commotion or riot;
- d) A closed roadway causing cessation of travel to the destination of the Trip (substantiated by the department of transportation, state police, etc.).

**Home** means Your true, fixed and permanent place of residence and principal establishment, to which You have the intention of returning to at the end of Your Trip.

**Hospital** means a facility that:

- (a) holds a valid license if it is required by the law;
- (b) operates primarily for the care and treatment of sick or injured persons as in-patients;
- (c) has a staff of one or more Physicians available at all times;
- (d) provides twenty-four (24) hour nursing service and has at least one registered professional nurse on duty or call;
- (e) has organized diagnostic and surgical facilities, either on the premises or in facilities available to the hospital on a pre-arranged basis; and
- (f) is not, except incidentally, a clinic, nursing home, rest home, drug or physical rehabilitation facility or convalescent home for the aged, or similar institution.

**Inclement Weather** means any severe weather condition that delays the scheduled arrival or departure of a Common Carrier.

**Initial Deposit Date** means the date Your first Payment(s) or Deposit(s) for Your Trip is received by Your Travel Supplier.

**Insured** means the Eligible Person who elected to purchase coverage and whose premium was paid under the Certificate.

**Interscholastic Sports** means any athletic contest or competition between accredited educational institutions if the participants are sponsored by the educational institution and are under the direct and immediate supervision of an employee of the educational institution. Interscholastic Sports includes the practice or training for the competition and the travel to or from such practice or competition in a vehicle designated by the educational institution, both while under the direct and immediate supervision of an employee of the educational institution.

**Intramural Sports** means competitive recreational sports organized within a school where matches or games are conducted between students of the same school (as opposed to teams who compete with other schools). Activities for Intramural Sports participants are not considered Interscholastic Sports.

**Loss** means Bodily Injury, Sickness or damage sustained by You, while coverage is in effect, in consequence of happening of one or more of the occurrences against which the Company has undertaken to indemnify You.

**Maximum Benefit** means the largest total amount that the Company will pay under any one benefit for You, as shown on the Schedule of Benefits and subject to any applicable sub-limits for certain types of activities.

**Mountaineering** means the sport, hobby or profession of walking, hiking, climbing and Rock Climbing up mountains that involves ascending beyond an altitude of four thousand five hundred (4,500) meters.

**Natural Disaster** means earthquake, flood, fire, hurricane, blizzard, avalanche, tornado, tsunami, volcanic eruption, or landslide that is due to natural causes and includes an event that is directly due to naturally occurring wildfire, earthquake, windborne dust or sand, volcanic eruption, tsunami, snow, rain or wind, that results in widespread and severe damage such that either the government of the country where the Natural Disaster occurs issues an official disaster declaration or the U.S. Government issues advice to leave the country where the Natural Disaster occurs. Natural Disaster does not include the direct or indirect effect of rain, wind or water associated with named storms meeting the definition of hurricane or typhoon, except in instances where:

1. the path of the named storm deviates by a distance of greater than two hundred (200) miles within a seventy-two (72) hour period from the path forecast by a national recognized meteorological service; or
2. less than seventy-two (72) hours advanced notice of a potential landfall for a named storm exists.

In no event, shall a Natural Disaster be deemed to apply to a marine vessel, ship or watercraft of any kind.

**Necessary Treatment** means medical services and/or supplies recommended by the treating Physician that must be performed during the Trip due to the serious and acute nature of the Sickness or Accidental Injury.

**Organized Sports** means **Intramural Sports** or **Recreational Sports**.

**Parachuting** means an activity involving the breaking of a free fall from an airplane using a parachute.

**Personal Computer** means a small, general purpose electronic device for storing and processing data that is created to be utilized by one individual at a time and can perform multiple functions. The size and capabilities of the computer allow it to be operated for personal purposes. Personal Computers shall include desktop computers and laptop computers. Personal Computers shall also include:

- tablets
- Personal Digital Assistant (PDA)
- handheld devices and smartphones
- e-readers

**Personal Effects** means Your privately-owned articles including clothing and toiletry items brought by You for planned use on Your Trip.

**Physician** means a licensed practitioner of medical, surgical or dental services, or a Christian Science Practitioner, acting within the scope of his/her license. The treating Physician may not be You, Your Traveling Companion or a Family Member.

**Policy** means the group master policy including any endorsements, riders or amendments that will attach during the period of coverage.

**Pre-Existing Condition** means an illness, disease, or other condition during the sixty (60) day period immediately prior to the Effective Date of Your Certificate for which You, Your Traveling Companion, or a Family Member booked to travel with You: 1) exhibited symptoms that would have caused a typical person to seek care or treatment; or 2) received or received a recommendation for a test, examination, or medical treatment; or 3) took or received a prescription for drugs or medicine. Item (3) of this definition does not apply to a condition that is treated or controlled solely through the taking of prescription drugs or medicine and remains treated or controlled without any adjustment or change in the required prescription throughout the sixty (60) day period before the Effective Date of Your Certificate.

**Quarantine** means Your strict isolation imposed by a Government authority or Physician to prevent the spread of disease. An embargo preventing You from entering a country is not a Quarantine.

**Reasonable Expenses** means any meal, lodging, local transportation and essential phone call expense that were necessarily incurred as the result of a covered event, and that were not provided free of charge or otherwise reimbursed by a Common Carrier, Travel Supplier or other party.

**Recreational Sports** mean those activities where the primary purpose of the activity is participation, with the related goals of improved physical fitness, fun, and social involvement. Recreational sports are usually perceived as being less stressful,



both physically and mentally, on the participants. There are lower expectations regarding both performance and commitment to the sport in the recreational sphere as compared to competitive sports.

**Rock Climbing** means the activity of climbing up, down or across artificial rock walls or natural rock formations under the supervision of a guide and utilizing approved safety equipment.

**Scheduled Departure Date** means the date on which You are originally scheduled to leave on Your Trip.

**Scheduled Return Date** means the date on which You are originally scheduled to return to the point of origin or to a different final destination.

**Sickness** means an illness or disease of the body that: 1) requires a physical examination and medical treatment by a Physician and 2) commences, worsens or presents new symptoms while Your coverage is in effect.

**Ski or Skiing** means winter recreation of snow skiing, snowboarding, or telemarking on Trail systems as accessed by a pre-paid use ticket for lifts and/or use or admission, but does not include cross country skiing, back country skiing, heli-skiing, extreme skiing, snowcat skiing, ski-jumping, off-piste skiing, tubing, lugging, half-pipes, terrain parks, or other snow play activities either on or off Trails.

**Sound Natural Teeth** means teeth that are whole or properly restored and are without impairment, periodontal or other conditions and are not in need of the treatment provided for any reason other than an Accidental Injury. For purposes of this Certificate, teeth previously restored with a crown, inlay, onlay, or porcelain restoration or treated by endodontics, except amalgam or composite resin fillings, are not considered Sound Natural Teeth.

**Strike** means any unannounced labor disagreement that interferes with the normal departure and arrival of a Common Carrier.

**Terrorist Incident** means an act of violence, other than civil commotion, insurrection or riot (that is not an act of war, declared or undeclared), that results in loss of life or major damage to property, by any person acting on behalf of, or in connection with, any organization that is generally recognized as having the intent to overthrow or influence the control of any government. The act must be deemed an act of terrorism by U.S. Department of State or the law enforcement organization in charge at the location of the Terrorist Incident.

**Time Sensitive Period** means within fourteen (14) days of the Initial Deposit Date and within fourteen (14) days of payment for any subsequent Travel Arrangements added to Your Trip.

**Trails** means named skier paths as designated for downhill travel as shown on a resort trail map using the international difficulty rating Trails does not include connecting paths or cross-overs between downhill trails, trails that are outside the established marked and patrolled boundaries of a Ski resort, or areas designated as unsafe or closed by ski resort management for avalanche control work.

**Travel Arrangements** means: (a) transportation; (b) accommodations; and (c) other specified services arranged by the Travel Supplier for the Trip. Air arrangements covered by this definition also include any direct round trip air flights booked by others, to and from the scheduled Trip departure and return cities, provided the dates of travel for the air flights are within seven (7) total days of the scheduled Trip dates.

**Travel Assistance Company** means the service provider listed on Your purchase confirmation.

**Travel Supplier** means Ritz Tours.

**Traveling Companion** means a person who has coordinated Travel Arrangements or vacation plans with You and intends to travel with You during the Trip. Note, a group or tour leader is not considered Your Traveling Companion unless You are sharing room accommodations with the group or tour leader.

**Trip** means scheduled travel with a defined itinerary away from Your Home for which coverage is purchased under this Certificate and premium is paid.

**Unforeseen** means not anticipated or expected and occurring after the Effective Date of Your Certificate.

**You or Your** refers to the Insured.

## GENERAL PROVISIONS

The following provisions apply to all coverages:

**LEGAL ACTIONS** - No legal action for a claim can be brought against the Company until sixty (60) days after the Company receives Proof of Loss. No legal action for a claim can be brought against the Company more than three (3) years after the time required for giving Proof of Loss.

**CONTROLLING LAW** - Any part of this Certificate that conflicts with the state law where the Certificate is issued is changed to meet the minimum requirements of that law.

**GOVERNING JURISDICTION** – The insurance regulatory agency and courts of the jurisdiction in which You are located shall have jurisdiction over the individual or group insurance coverage as if such coverage or plan were issued directly to You.

**MISREPRESENTATION AND FRAUD** – This Certificate was issued in reliance on the information You provided at the time of enrollment. The Company may deny all coverage under this Certificate, or, at the Company's election, assert any other remedy available under applicable law, if You or and Traveling Companion seeking coverage under this Certificate knowingly concealed, misrepresented or omitted any material fact or engaged in fraudulent conduct at the time of enrollment, at any time during the policy period, or in connection with the filing or settlement of any claim.

**DUTY OF COOPERATION** - You agree to fully cooperate with the Company in the event the Company determines that an investigation is warranted regarding any claim for coverage under this Certificate. You agree to comply with all requests by the Company to provide information and/or documentation related to any claim under this Certificate. You agree to cooperate with the Company in the investigation and assessment of any loss and/or circumstances giving rise to a loss under this Certificate.

**SUBROGATION** - To the extent the Company pays for a Loss suffered by You, the Company will take over the rights and remedies You had relating to the Loss. This is known as subrogation. You must help the Company to preserve its rights against those responsible for the Loss. This may involve signing any papers and taking any other steps the Company may require. If the Company takes over Your rights, You must sign an appropriate subrogation form supplied by the Company.

**ASSIGNMENT** - This Certificate and all coverages provided are not assignable, whether by operation of law or otherwise, but benefits may be assigned.

**WHEN YOUR COVERAGE BEGINS** - Provided:

- a) coverage has been elected; and
- b) the required premium has been paid.

All coverage will begin on the Scheduled Departure Date, or the actual departure date if change is required by a Common Carrier, when You depart for the first Travel Arrangement (or alternate travel arrangement if You must use an alternate travel arrangement to reach Your Trip destination) for Your Trip. Coverage will not begin before the Effective Date shown on Your purchase confirmation.

**WHEN YOUR COVERAGE ENDS:**

All Coverages will end the earliest of the following:

- (a) the Scheduled Return Date as stated on the travel tickets;
- (b) the date and time You return to Your origination point if prior to the Scheduled Return Date;
- (c) the date and time You deviate from, leave or change the original Trip itinerary (unless due to Unforeseen and unavoidable circumstances covered by the Certificate);
- (d) if You extend the return date, coverage will terminate at 11:59 P.M., local time, at Your location on the Scheduled Return Date, unless otherwise authorized by the Company in advance of the Scheduled Return Date;
- (e) when Your Trip exceeds ninety (90) days;
- (f) the Return Date as stated on Your purchase confirmation.

**EXTENDED COVERAGE** - Coverage will be extended under the following conditions, should they occur during the journey to the return destination or to a different destination:

- (a) If You are unavoidably delayed up to five (5) days in traveling on the Scheduled Return Date due to a reason covered under this Certificate, coverage will be extended for the period of time needed to arrive at the point of origin or to a different final destination.

In no event will coverage be extended for unscheduled extensions to Your Trip for which premium has not been paid in advance.

**The following provisions apply to all benefits except Baggage/Personal Effects and Baggage Delay:**

**PAYMENT OF CLAIMS** - The Company, or its designated representative, will pay a claim after receipt of acceptable Proof of Loss.

Benefits for Loss of life are payable to Your beneficiary. If a beneficiary is not designated by You at the time of purchase, benefits for Loss of life will be paid to the first of the following surviving preference beneficiaries:

- (a) Your spouse;
- (b) Your child or children jointly;
- (c) Your parents jointly if both are living or the surviving parent if only one survives;
- (d) Your brothers and sisters jointly; or
- (e) Your estate.

All other claims will be paid to You. In the event You are a minor, incompetent or otherwise unable to give a valid release for the claim, the Company may make arrangement to pay claims to Your legal guardian or other qualified representative.

Any payment made in good faith will discharge the Company's liability to the extent of the claim.

All benefits payable under this Certificate shall be reduced by the amount of any credit, voucher or refund provided by any Common Carrier, Travel Supplier or any other third party.

**NOTICE OF CLAIM** - Written notice of claim must be given by the claimant (either You or someone acting for You) to the Company or its designated representative within seven (7) days after a covered Loss first begins. Notice should include Your name and the Plan number. Notice should be sent to the Company's administrative office, at the address shown on the cover page of the Certificate, or to the Company's designated representative.

**PROOF OF LOSS** - You must send the Company, or its designated representative, Proof of Loss within ninety (90) days after a covered Loss occurs. Failure to furnish such proof within the time required shall not invalidate nor reduce any claim if it was not possible to give proof within such time, provided such proof is furnished and in no event, except in the absence of legal capacity, later than one year from the time proof is otherwise required. Where possible and/or required by this Certificate, independent validation of Proof of Loss must be proved to the Company within the foregoing time periods.

**PHYSICAL EXAMINATION AND AUTOPSY** - The Company, or its designated representative, at its own expense, have the right to have You examined as often as necessary while a claim is pending. The Company, or its designated representative, also has the right to have an autopsy made unless prohibited by law.

**EXAMINATION UNDER OATH** – The Company, or its designated representative, at its own expense, have the right to have You questioned under oath as often as necessary while a claim is pending.

**TIME OF PAYMENT OF CLAIMS** - Benefits payable under this Certificate for any Loss other than Loss for which this Certificate provides any periodic payment will be paid upon receipt of due written Proof of Loss in accordance with state requirements. Subject to due written Proof of Loss, all accrued indemnities for Loss for which this Certificate provides periodic payment will be paid monthly and any balance remaining unpaid upon the termination of liability, will be paid immediately upon receipt of due written proof.

**The following provisions apply to Baggage/Personal Effects and Baggage Delay coverages:**

**NOTICE OF LOSS** - If Your property covered under this Certificate is lost, stolen or damaged, You must:

- (a) notify the Company, or its authorized representative as soon as possible;
- (b) take immediate steps to protect, save and/or recover the covered property;
- (c) give immediate notice to the carrier, Travel Supplier, property manager or bailee who is or may be liable for the Loss or damage and provide a copy of such notification to the Company;
- (d) notify the police or other authority in the case of robbery or theft within twenty-four (24) hours and provide a copy of such report to the Company; and
- (e) complete all steps required by local police or authorities to pursue investigation of the claim in the case of robbery or theft.

**SETTLEMENT OF LOSS** - Claims for damage and/or destruction shall be paid after acceptable proof of the damage and/or destruction is presented to the Company and the Company has determined the claim is covered. Property will be considered lost if it has not been recovered within thirty (30) days of the event. You must present acceptable Proof of Loss and the value involved to the Company.

**DISAGREEMENT OVER SIZE OF LOSS:** If there is a disagreement about the amount of the Loss, either You or the Company can make a written demand for an appraisal. After the demand, You and the Company will each select their own competent appraiser. After examining the facts, each of the two appraisers will give an opinion on the amount of the Loss. If they do not agree, they will select an arbitrator. Any figure agreed to by two (2) of the three (3) (the appraisers and the arbitrator) will be binding. The appraiser selected by You will be paid by You. The Company will pay the appraiser they choose. You will share equally with the Company the cost for the arbitrator and the appraisal process.

#### **COVERAGES**

No Coverage is intended to duplicate or overlap any other Coverage or benefit provided under this Certificate. Should there be an inadvertent duplication of benefit or coverage, the Company will only provide payable benefits under the Coverage with the highest Maximum Benefit or largest scope of coverage subject to any applicable sub-limits.

#### **TRIP INTERRUPTION**

The Company will reimburse You, up to the Maximum Benefit shown on the Schedule of Benefits, subject to any applicable sub-limits, if You interrupt Your Trip after Your departure or if You join Your Trip after Your Scheduled Departure Date due to any of the following Unforeseen reasons that occur while this coverage is in effect for You:

1. Your Sickness, Accidental Injury or death, that results in medically imposed restrictions as certified by a Physician at the time of Loss preventing Your continued participation in the Trip. A Physician must advise to cancel the Trip on or before the Scheduled Return Date.
2. Sickness, Accidental Injury or death of a Family Member or Traveling Companion booked to travel with You that a.) occurs while You are on Your Trip; b.) requires Necessary Treatment at the time of interruption; and c.) as certified by a Physician, results in medically imposed restrictions as to prevent that person's continued participation on the Trip.
3. Sickness, Accidental Injury or death of a non-traveling Family Member.

The Company will reimburse You up to the Maximum Benefit shown on the Schedule of Benefits, subject to any applicable sub-limits, for the following:

- (a) pre-paid unused, non-refundable land or sea expenses to the Travel Suppliers;
- (b) the airfare paid less the value of applied credit from an unused travel ticket, to return home, join or rejoin the original Travel Arrangements limited to the cost of one-way economy airfare or similar quality as originally issued ticket by scheduled carrier, from the point of destination to the point of origin shown on the original travel tickets. In no event will the Company reimburse You for the cash value of Your airline ticket(s) purchased with frequent flier miles.

**SPECIAL CONDITIONS:** You must advise the Company or its authorized representative as soon as possible in the event of a claim. The Company will not pay benefits for any additional charges incurred that would not have been charged had You notified the Company, its authorized representative and Your Travel Supplier as soon as reasonable possible.

#### **TRIP DELAY**

The Company will reimburse You for Covered Trip Delay Expenses, up to the Maximum Benefit shown on the Schedule of Benefits, if You are delayed, while coverage is in effect, en route to or from the Trip for six (6) or more hours due to a defined Hazard.

Covered Trip Delay Expenses:

- (a) Any pre-paid, unused, non-refundable land and water accommodations;
- (b) Any Reasonable Expenses incurred;
- (c) An Economy Fare from the point where You ended Your Trip to a destination where You can catch up to the Trip;
- (d) A one-way Economy Fare to return You to Your originally scheduled return destination.

#### **MISSED CONNECTION**

The Company will reimburse You, up to the Maximum Benefit shown on the Schedule of Benefits, if You miss Your Cruise or tour departure, scheduled during Your Trip, that results from the cancellation or a delay for between three (3) and six (6) hours of all regularly scheduled airline flights due to the following event:

- (a) Documented weather condition preventing You from getting to the point of departure for Your Trip.

Benefits are provided for:

- (a) additional transportation expenses needed for You to join Your departed Cruise or tour;
- (b) Reasonable Expenses up to the Maximum Benefit per day shown on the Schedule of Benefits;
- (c) pre-paid nonrefundable Payments or Deposits for the unused portion of Your Cruise.

Coverage is secondary to any compensation provided by a Common Carrier. Coverage will not be provided to individuals who are able to meet their scheduled departures but cancel their Cruise or tour due to Inclement Weather.

**ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT**

The Company will pay the percentage of the Principal Sum shown in the Table of Losses when You, as a result of an Accidental Injury occurring during the Trip, sustain a Loss shown in the Table below. The Loss must occur within one hundred eighty (180) days after the date of the Accident causing the Loss.

The Principal Sum is shown on the Schedule of Benefits.

If more than one Loss is sustained as the result of an Accident, the amount payable shall be the largest amount of a sustained Loss shown in the Table of Losses.

<b>TABLE OF LOSSES</b>	
Loss of:	Percentage of Principal Sum:
Life	100%
Both hands or both feet	100%
Sight of both eyes	100%
One hand and one foot	100%
Either hand or foot and sight of one eye	100%
Either hand or foot	50%
Sight of one eye	50%
Speech and hearing in both ears	100%
Speech	50%
Hearing in both ears	50%
Thumb and index finger of same hand	25%

"Loss" with regard to:

- 1. hand or foot, means actual complete severance through and above the wrist or ankle joints; and
- 2. eye means an entire and irrecoverable Loss of sight;
- 3. speech or hearing means entire and irrecoverable Loss of speech or hearing of both ears; and
- 4. thumb and index finger mean actual severance through or above the joint that meets the finger at the palm.

**EXPOSURE**

The Company will pay benefits for covered Losses that result from You being unavoidably exposed to the elements due to an Accident. The Loss must occur within three hundred sixty-five (365) days after the event that caused the exposure.

**DISAPPEARANCE**

The Company will pay benefits for Loss of life if Your body cannot be located within three hundred sixty-five (365) days after Your disappearance due to an Accident.

**EMERGENCY ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS MEDICAL EXPENSE**

The Company will reimburse benefits up to the Maximum Benefit shown on the Schedule of Benefits, subject to any applicable sub-limits, if You incur Covered Medical Expenses for Necessary Treatment of an Accidental Injury or a Sickness that occurs during the Trip.

Covered Medical Expenses are limited to the list below:

- (a) the services of a Physician;
- (b) charges for Hospital confinement and use of operating rooms; Hospital or ambulatory medical-surgical center services; This will also include expenses for a Cruise ship cabin or hotel room, not already included in the cost of Your Trip, if recommended as a substitute for a Hospital room for recovery from an Accidental Injury or a Sickness;
- (c) charges for anesthetics (including administration); x-ray examinations or treatments, and laboratory tests;
- (d) ambulance service;
- (e) drugs, medicines and therapeutic services.

The Company will pay benefits up to the Maximum Benefit shown on the Schedule of Benefits, subject to any applicable sub-limits, for dental Necessary Treatment for Accidental Injury to Sound Natural Teeth. Both the Accidental Injury and the dental Necessary Treatment must occur during the Trip.

The Company will not pay benefits in excess of reasonable and customary charges. The Company will not cover any expenses provided by another party at no cost to You, or already included within the cost of the Trip.

If You are hospitalized due to an Accidental Injury or a Sickness, which first occurs during the Trip, beyond the Scheduled Return Date, coverage will be extended for up to ninety (90) days, or until You are released from the Hospital or until You have exhausted the Maximum Benefits payable under this coverage, whichever occurs first.

#### **EMERGENCY EVACUATION**

The Company will pay benefits for Covered Evacuation Expenses incurred, up to the Maximum Benefit shown on the Schedule of Benefits, subject to any applicable sub-limits, if an Accidental Injury or Sickness commencing during the course of the Trip results in Your necessary Emergency Evacuation. An Emergency Evacuation must be ordered by a Physician who certifies that the severity of Your Accidental Injury or Sickness warrants Your Emergency Evacuation and verified and arranged by the Travel Assistance Company.

Emergency Evacuation means:

- (a) Your medical condition warrants immediate Transportation from the Hospital where You are first taken when injured or sick to the nearest Hospital where appropriate medical treatment can be obtained;
- (b) after being treated at a local Hospital, Your medical condition warrants Transportation to Your Home where You reside, to obtain further medical treatment or to recover; or
- (c) both (a) and (b), above.

Covered Evacuation Expenses are reasonable and customary expenses for necessary Transportation, related medical services and medical supplies incurred in connection with Your Emergency Evacuation. All Transportation arrangements made for evacuating You must be by the most direct and economical route possible. Expenses for Transportation must be:

- (a) recommended by the attending Physician;
- (b) required by the standard regulations of the conveyance transporting You; and
- (c) authorized in advance by the Company or its authorized Travel Assistance Company and arranged by the Company's authorized Travel Assistance Company.

Notwithstanding the forgoing, in the event the Emergency Evacuation services are not arranged by the Company's authorized Travel Assistance Company, the Company, in its sole discretion, may elect to evaluate the need for the Emergency Evacuation and provide limited reimbursement for the portion of the expenses related to such Emergency Evacuation as would have been authorized by Company's authorized Travel Assistance Company.

Transportation services are provided if authorized in advance and arranged by the Company or the Company's Travel Assistance Company and are limited to necessary Economy Fares less the value of applied credit from unused travel tickets, if applicable.

Transportation means any Common Carrier, or other land, water or air conveyance, required for an Emergency Evacuation and includes air ambulances, land ambulances and private motor vehicles.

The Company will not cover any expenses provided by another party at no cost to You, or already included within the cost of the Trip.

#### **REPATRIATION OF REMAINS**

The Company will pay up to the Maximum Benefit shown on the Schedule of Benefits for the Covered Repatriation Expenses incurred to return Your body to the United States of America if You die during the Trip. This benefit is provided only if authorized in advance and arranged by the Company or the Company's Travel Assistance Company.

Covered Repatriation Expenses include, but are not limited to, expenses for embalming, cremation, minimal casket container and transportation.

#### **BAGGAGE/PERSONAL EFFECTS**

This coverage is subject to any coverage provided by a Common Carrier and shall apply only when such other benefits are exhausted. In order for a claim to be processed under this Coverage, a loss or theft report must be filed with local law enforcement authorities, the Common Carrier, Travel Supplier, tour leader or with a representative of the venue or location where the loss or theft took place.

## PERSONAL EFFECTS AND PROPERTY

The Company will reimburse You up to the Maximum Benefit shown on the Schedule of Benefits, subject to any applicable sub-limits, if You sustain Loss, theft or damage to baggage and Personal Effects during the Trip including, but not limited to sporting equipment, provided You have taken all measures possible to protect, save and/or recover the property at all times. The baggage and Personal Effects must be owned by and accompany You during the Trip.

The Company will pay the lesser of the following:

- (a) Actual Cash Value at time of Loss, theft or damage to baggage and Personal Effects; or
- (b) the cost of repair or replacement in like kind and quality.

There will be a per article limit as shown on the Schedule of Benefits.

There will be a combined Maximum Benefit as shown on the Schedule of Benefits for the following:

jewelry; watches; articles consisting in whole or in part of silver, gold or platinum; furs; articles trimmed with or made mostly of fur; Personal Computers; cameras and their accessories and related equipment.

## EXTENSION OF COVERAGE

If You have checked property with a Common Carrier and delivery is delayed, coverage for Baggage/Personal Effects will be extended until the Common Carrier delivers Your property or declares such property lost, whichever occurs first.

### **BAGGAGE DELAY (En Route to Destination Only)**

The Company will reimburse You for the expense to replace Your necessary Personal Effects in Your Checked Baggage up to the Maximum Benefit shown on the Schedule of Benefits, if Your Checked Baggage is delayed or misdirected by a Common Carrier for more than twelve (12) hours, while on a Trip.

You must be a ticketed passenger on a Common Carrier.

All claims must be verified by the Common Carrier who must certify the delay or misdirection. Receipts for the purchases must accompany any claim.

### **LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS**

**The following exclusions apply to: Trip Interruption, Trip Delay, Missed Connection, Accidental Death & Dismemberment, Emergency Accident and Sickness Medical Expense:**

Loss caused by or resulting from:

1. Pre-Existing Conditions, as defined in the Definitions section;  
The Pre-Existing Condition exclusion will be waived provided:
  - (a) Your premium is received within the Time Sensitive Period; and
  - (b) You insure all pre-paid Trip costs that are subject to cancellation penalties or restrictions, and also insure the cost of any subsequent arrangements (or any other arrangements not made through Your travel agent) added prior to Your Trip; and
  - (c) You are medically able to travel on Your Effective Date.
2. suicide, attempted suicide or any intentionally self-inflicted injury while sane or insane, unless the loss results in the death of a non-traveling Family Member;
3. intentionally self-inflicted injuries;
4. war, invasion, acts of foreign enemies, hostilities between nations (whether declared or not), civil war. This exclusion does not apply if You are an innocent bystander to these events;
5. participation in any military maneuver or training exercise, or any Loss starting while You are in the service of the armed forces of any country. Orders to active military service for training purposes of two months or less will not constitute service in the armed forces. Upon notice to the Company of entering the armed forces, the Company will return to You pro-rata any premium paid, less any benefits paid, for any period during which You are in such service;
6. piloting or learning to pilot or acting as a member of the crew of any aircraft;
7. mental or emotional disorders, unless Hospitalized;
8. participation as an athlete in professional sports;
9. being under the influence of drugs or intoxicants, unless prescribed and used in accordance with the instructions provided by a Physician, unless results in the death of a non-traveling Family Member;
10. intentional commission of or the attempt to commit any dishonest or fraudulent act, or criminal activity (as defined in the jurisdiction where the loss occurred);
11. Participation in Bodily Contact Sports, Extreme Sports, Interscholastic Sports or Intramural Sports;
12. dental treatment except as a result of an injury to Sound Natural Teeth except as explicitly offered under Emergency Accident and Sickness Medical Expense;

13. any non-emergency treatment or surgery, routine physical examinations, hearing aids, eye glasses or contact lenses;
14. pregnancy and childbirth (except for Complications of Pregnancy) except if Hospitalized;
15. curtailment or delayed return for other than covered reasons;
16. traveling for the purpose of securing medical treatment;
17. services not shown as covered;
18. directly or indirectly, the actual, alleged or threatened discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, escape, release or exposure to any hazardous biological, chemical, nuclear radioactive material, gas, matter or contamination;
19. confinement or treatment in a government Hospital; however, the United States government may recover or collect benefits under certain conditions;
20. services and/or supplies that do not meet the definition of Necessary Treatment;
21. care or treatment for which compensation is payable under Worker's Compensation Law, any Occupational Disease law; the 4800 Time Benefit plan or similar legislation;
22. Accidental Injury or Sickness when traveling against the advice of a Physician;
23. cosmetic surgery or reconstructive surgery;
24. canyoning or canyoneering (traveling in canyons using a variety of techniques that may include walking, scrambling, climbing, jumping, abseiling and/or swimming);
25. a Loss that results from an illness, disease, or other condition, event or circumstance that occurs at a time when Your coverage is not in effect.

**The following exclusions apply to Emergency Evacuation and Repatriation of Remains:**

Loss caused by or resulting from:

1. war, invasion, acts of foreign enemies, hostilities between nations (whether declared or not), civil war. This exclusion does not apply if You are an innocent bystander to these events;
2. participation in any military maneuver or training exercise, or any Loss starting while You are in the service of the armed forces of any country. Orders to active military service for training purposes of two months or less will not constitute service in the armed forces. Upon notice to the Company of entering the armed forces, the Company will return to You pro-rata any premium paid, less any benefits paid, for any period during which You are in such service;
3. piloting or learning to pilot or acting as a member of the crew of any aircraft;
4. participation as an athlete in professional sports, amateur sports, Interscholastic Sports or Intramural Sports;
5. participating in Bodily Contact Sports or Extreme Sports;
6. traveling for the purpose of securing medical treatment;
7. directly or indirectly, the actual, alleged or threatened discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, escape, release or exposure to any hazardous biological, chemical, nuclear radioactive material, gas, matter or contamination;
8. services and/or supplies that do not meet the definition of Necessary Treatment;
9. cosmetic surgery except for: reconstructive surgery incidental to or following surgery for trauma, or infection or other covered disease of the part of the body reconstructed, or to treat a congenital malformation of a child;
10. canyoning or canyoneering (traveling in canyons using a variety of techniques that may include walking, scrambling, climbing, jumping, abseiling and/or swimming).

**The following exclusions apply to Baggage/Personal Effects and Baggage Delay:**

The Company will not provide benefits for any Loss or damage to:

1. animals;
2. automobiles and automobile equipment;
3. boats or other vehicles or conveyances;
4. trailers;
5. motors;
6. motorcycles;
7. aircraft and drones;
8. bicycles (except when checked as baggage with a Common Carrier);
9. household effects and furnishing;
10. antiques and collectors' items;
11. eye glasses, sunglasses or contact lenses;
12. artificial teeth and dental bridges;
13. hearing aids;
14. artificial limbs and other prosthetic devices;
15. prescribed medications;
16. keys, cash, stamps, securities and documents;
17. Tickets;
18. credit cards;
19. professional or occupational equipment or property, whether or not electronic business equipment;
20. Personal Computer hardware or software;



21. sporting equipment if loss or damage results from the use thereof;
22. musical instruments;
23. retainers and orthodontic devices.

Any Loss caused by or resulting from the following is excluded:

1. breakage of brittle or fragile articles;
2. wear and tear or gradual deterioration;
3. insects or vermin;
4. inherent vice or damage while the article is actually being worked upon or processed;
5. confiscation or expropriation by order of any government;
6. war or any act of war whether declared or not;
7. theft or pilferage while left unattended in any vehicle;
8. mysterious disappearance;
9. property illegally acquired, kept, stored or transported;
10. insurrection or rebellion;
11. imprudent action or omission;
12. property shipped as freight or shipped prior to the Scheduled Departure Date.



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TEXAS AMENDATORY ENDORSEMENT

This endorsement is made a part of the Certificate to which it is attached. This endorsement is subject to all of the provisions and limitations of the Certificate. If there is a conflict between the Certificate and the endorsement, the terms of the endorsement will govern.

Under the section entitled **GENERAL DEFINITIONS**, the definition of **Business Day** is added as follows:

**Business Day** means all days except Saturday, Sunday, or holidays recognized by Texas.

Under the section entitled **GENERAL DEFINITIONS**, the definition of **Complications of Pregnancy** is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

**Complications of Pregnancy** means conditions requiring hospital confinement (when the pregnancy is not terminated), whose diagnoses are distinct from the pregnancy, but are adversely affected by pregnancy or are caused by pregnancy, such as acute nephritis, nephrosis, cardiac decompression, missed abortion, and similar medical and surgical conditions of comparable severity, but shall not include false labor, occasional spotting, morning sickness, physician prescribed rest during the period of pregnancy, hyperemesis gravidarum, pre-eclampsia, and similar conditions associated with the management of a difficult pregnancy not constituting a distinct complication of pregnancy. Complications of Pregnancy also includes non-elective cesarean section, termination of ectopic pregnancy, and spontaneous termination of pregnancy, occurring during a period of gestation in which a viable birth is not possible.

Under the section entitled **GENERAL DEFINITIONS**, the definition of **Eligible Person** is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

**Eligible Person** means a resident of the United States who is listed on Your purchase confirmation, is scheduled to take a Trip, applies for coverage under the Certificate, and pays the required premium. A person who books a Trip is eligible and may apply for and purchase this Certificate.

Under the section entitled **GENERAL DEFINITIONS**, the definition of **Family Member** is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

**Family Member** means Your or Your Traveling Companion's legal or common law spouse, parent, legal guardian, step-parent, grandparent, parents-in-law, grandchild who are dependents for Federal income tax purposes at the time the application for coverage of the grandchild is made, children for whom You or Your Traveling Companion must provide medical support pursuant to a court order, natural child, adopted child from the date Your or Your Traveling Companion becomes party to a suit in which he seeks to adopt the child, foster child from the moment of placement in the Insured's home step-child, children-in-law, brother, sister, step-brother, step-sister, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, aunt, uncle, niece or nephew, or Domestic Partner who reside in the United States, Canada or Mexico.

Under the section entitled **GENERAL DEFINITIONS**, the definition of **Hospital** is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

**Hospital** means a facility that:

- (a) is licensed as a hospital and operated pursuant to law; and
- (b) is primarily engaged in providing or operating (either on its premises or in facilities available to the hospital on a contractual prearranged basis and under the supervision of a staff of one or more duly licensed physicians), medical, diagnostic, and major surgery facilities for the medical care and treatment of sick or injured persons on an inpatient basis for which a charge is made; and
- (c) provides 24-hour nursing service by or under the supervision of a registered graduate professional nurse (RN); and
- (d) is an institution which maintains and operates a minimum of five beds; and
- (e) has x-ray and laboratory facilities either on the premises or available on a contractual prearranged basis; and
- (f) maintains permanent medical history records.

**Hospital** does not include:

- (a) the federal government or any agency thereof for the treatment of members or ex-members of the armed forces; or
- (b) convalescent homes, convalescent facilities, rest facilities, or nursing facilities; or
- (c) home or facilities primarily for the aged, drug addicts, alcoholics, those primarily affording custodial care, educational care or those primarily affording care for mental and nervous disorders.

Under the section entitled **GENERAL DEFINITIONS**, the definition of **Physician** is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

**Physician** means a licensed practitioner of medical or surgical services, or a Christian Science Practitioner, acting within the scope of his/her license. The treating Physician may not be You, Your Traveling Companion or a Family Member.

Under the section entitled **GENERAL DEFINITIONS**, the definition of **Pre-Existing Condition** is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

**Pre-Existing Condition** means an illness, disease, or other condition during the sixty (60) day period immediately prior to the Effective Date of Your Certificate for which You, Your Traveling Companion, or a Family Member booked to travel with You: 1) received or received a recommendation for a test, examination, or medical treatment; or 2) took or received a prescription for drugs or medicine. Item (2) of this definition does not apply to a condition that is treated or controlled solely through the taking of prescription drugs or medicine and remains treated or controlled without any adjustment or change in the required prescription throughout the sixty (60) day period before the Effective Date of Your Certificate.

Under the section entitled **GENERAL PROVISIONS**, the **LEGAL ACTIONS** provision is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

**LEGAL ACTIONS** - No legal action for a claim can be brought against the Company until sixty (60) days after the Company receives Proof of Loss. No legal action for a claim can be brought against the Company more than two (2) years and one (1) day from the date the cause of action first accrues.

Under the section entitled **GENERAL PROVISIONS**, the **CONTROLLING LAW** provision is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

**CONFORMITY WITH STATE STATUTES** - Any part of this Certificate that conflicts with the statutes of the state in which the Insured resides on the Effective Date is by this clause effectively amended to conform to the minimum requirements of that state's statutes.

Under the section entitled **GENERAL PROVISIONS**, the **MISREPRESENTATION AND FRAUD** provision is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

**MISREPRESENTATION AND FRAUD** – Your coverage shall be void if, whether before or after a Loss, You concealed or misrepresented any material fact or circumstance in writing within the two-year period after the Effective Date of coverage concerning this Certificate or the subject thereof, or Your interest therein, or if You commit fraud or false swearing in connection with any of the foregoing.

You must fully cooperate in the event the Company determines that an investigation of any claim is warranted.

Under the section entitled **GENERAL PROVISIONS**, the **PAYMENT OF CLAIMS** provision is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

**PAYMENT OF CLAIMS** - The Company, or its designated representative, will pay a claim no later than the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) business day after receipt of acceptable Proof of Loss.

Benefits for Loss of life are payable to Your beneficiary. If a beneficiary is not designated by You at the time of purchase, benefits for Loss of life will be paid to the first of the following surviving preference beneficiaries:

- (a) Your spouse;
- (b) Your child or children jointly;
- (c) Your parents jointly if both are living or the surviving parent if only one survives;
- (d) Your brothers and sisters jointly; or
- (e) Your estate.

All other claims will be paid to You. If a benefit is payable to a minor or other person who is unable to give a valid release for the claim, the Company may pay up to \$1,000 to any relative by blood or connection by marriage of the insured or beneficiary who is considered by the Company to be equitably entitled to the indemnity.

Any payment made in good faith will discharge the Company's liability to the extent of the claim.

The applicable benefit amount will be reduced by the amount of benefits, if any, previously paid by Other Insurance policies. In no event will the Company reimburse You for an amount greater than the amount paid by You.

All benefits payable under this Certificate shall be reduced by the amount of any credit, voucher or refund provided by any Common Carrier, Travel Supplier or any other third party.

Under the section entitled **GENERAL PROVISIONS**, the **NOTICE OF CLAIM** provision is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

**NOTICE OF CLAIM** - Written notice of claim must be given by the claimant (either You or someone acting for You) to the Company or its designated representative within twenty (20) days after a covered Loss first begins. Notice should include Your name, the Travel Supplier's name and the Plan number. Notice should be sent to the Company's administrative office, at the address shown on the cover page of the Certificate, or to the Company's designated representative.

Under the section entitled **GENERAL PROVISIONS**, the **PROOF OF LOSS** provision is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

**PROOF OF LOSS** - You have ninety-one (91) days from the date We request Your Proof of Loss to submit Your claim to the Company, except as otherwise provided by law.

Within fifteen (15) business days after the Company receive of notice of a claim the Company will:

- acknowledge receipt of the claim (If acknowledgement of the claim is not made, in writing, the Company will make a record of the date, means, and content of the acknowledgement.)
- commence any investigation of the claim; and
- request from You all items, statements, and forms that the Company reasonably believes, at that time, will be required from You. Additional requests may be made if during the investigation of the claim such additional requests are necessary.

The Company will notify You in writing of the acceptance or rejection of a claim no later than fifteen (15) business days after the Company receive all required Proofs of Loss. If the Company reject the claim, the Company will tell You the reasons for the rejection. If the Company is unable to accept or reject the claim within fifteen (15) business days after the Company receives all Proof of Loss required, the Company will notify you within the fifteen (15) business-day period and tell You why the Company needs additional time to investigate the claim. If the Company require additional time to investigate Your claim, the Company will notify You if the Company accepts or rejects the claim no later than forty-five (45) business days after the Company request additional time to investigate the claim.

Except as otherwise provided, if the Company delays payment of a claim for more than sixty (60) business days following receipt of all required Proof of Loss, the Company will pay the amount of the claim plus eighteen percent (18%) interest per year along with reasonable attorney fees. If a lawsuit is filed, such attorney fees shall be taxed as part of the costs in the case.

Under the section entitled **GENERAL PROVISIONS**, the **EXAMINATION UNDER OATH** provision is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

**EXAMINATION UNDER OATH** – The Company, or its designated representative, at its own expense, have the right to have You and/or Your Traveling Companion questioned under oath as often as necessary while a claim is pending. In the event the individual being questioned is a minor, the minor has a right to have a parent or guardian present.

Under the section entitled **GENERAL PROVISIONS**, the **TIME OF PAYMENT OF CLAIMS** provision is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

**TIME OF PAYMENT OF CLAIMS** - Indemnities payable under this Certificate for any loss, other than a loss for which this Certificate provides any periodic payment, will be paid immediately on receipt of due written proof of the loss.

Under the section entitled **GENERAL PROVISIONS**, the **DISAGREEMENT OVER SIZE OF LOSS** provision is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

**DISAGREEMENT OVER SIZE OF LOSS:** If there is a disagreement about the amount of the Loss, within thirty (30) days of the date of the disagreement either You or the Company can make a written demand for an appraisal. Within fifteen (15) days after the demand, You and the Company will each select their own competent appraiser. After examining the facts, each of the two appraisers will give an opinion within fifteen (15) days of their selection on the amount of the Loss. If they do not agree, they will select an arbitrator within fifteen (15) days from the date of their opinion. Any figure agreed to by two (2) of the three (3) (the appraisers and the arbitrator) will be binding. The appraiser selected by You will be paid by You. The Company will pay the appraiser they choose. You will share equally with the Company the cost for the arbitrator and the appraisal process.

Under the section entitled **GENERAL PROVISIONS**, the following **ENTIRE CONTRACT** provision is added:

**ENTIRE CONTRACT** - This Certificate, including the endorsements and the attached papers, if any, constitutes the entire contract of insurance. A change in this Certificate is not valid until the change is approved by an executive officer of the insurer and unless the approval is endorsed on or attached to the Certificate. An agent does not have authority to change this Certificate or to waive any of its provisions.

Under the section entitled **GENERAL PROVISIONS**, the following **CLAIM FORMS** provision is added:

**CLAIM FORMS:** When the Company receive a notice of claim, the Company will provide claim forms to the claimant to file a Proof of Loss. If the forms are not provided by the sixteenth (16<sup>th</sup>) day after the date of the notice of claim, the claimant can satisfy the proof of loss requirement by sending the Company or the Company's authorized designee a written statement of the occurrence, nature and extent of the loss within the time allowed for filing proof of loss under this Certificate.

Under the section entitled **LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS**, Exclusions 7 and 18 are deleted in their entirety and replaced with the following:

7. mental, emotional or functional disorder without demonstrable organic disease;

18. directly or indirectly, the actual, alleged or threatened discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, escape, release or exposure to any hazardous biological, chemical, nuclear radioactive material, gas, matter or contamination. This exclusion does not apply when the Insured is an innocent bystander;

There are no other changes to the Certificate.



Secretary



President



## GENERAL DISCLOSURES

This policy provides coverage only related to Your Trip. You may have coverage from other sources that provides you with similar benefits subject to different restrictions. You may wish to compare the terms of this policy with your existing life, health, home, and automobile insurance policies. If you have any questions about your current coverage, call your insurer or insurance agent or broker. Your travel retailer may not be licensed to sell insurance in all states, and therefore cannot answer technical questions about the benefits, exclusions, and conditions of this insurance and cannot evaluate the adequacy of your existing insurance. This policy may not provide coverage for or may limit coverage related to pre-existing conditions. The purchase of travel insurance is not required in order to purchase any other product or service. In addition to your policy, the product you are purchasing may contain other non-insurance services and/or cancellation fee waivers offered by companies other than Nationwide.

- **Maryland Residents:** The offered insurance coverage may duplicate certain provisions of insurance coverage already provided by the purchaser's homeowner's insurance, renter's insurance, health insurance, or similar insurance coverage. The Commissioner may be contacted to file a complaint at: Maryland Insurance Administration, ATTN: Consumer Complaint Investigation (Property/Casualty), 200 St. Paul Place, Suite 2700, Baltimore, MD 21202.
- **Delaware Residents:** The offered insurance coverage may duplicate certain provisions of insurance coverage already provided by the purchaser's homeowner's insurance, renter's insurance, health insurance, or similar insurance coverage. The purchase of travel insurance would make the travel insurance coverage primary to any other duplicate or similar coverage.
- **California Residents:** For additional information, contact the California Department of Insurance Consumer Hotline, 800-927-4357 or 213-897-8921.
- **New York Residents:** The licensed producer represents the insurer for purposes of the sale of the insurance. Compensation paid to the producer may vary depending on the policy selected, the producer's expenses, volume of business, or the profitability of the insurance contracts. Except as otherwise provided by law, the purchaser may request and obtain information about the producer's compensation based on the sale or any alternative quotes by requesting such information from the producer.

## **Travel Assistance Program Description – Provided by On Call International**

### **Emergency Transportation Services**

Emergency Medical Evacuation/Medically-Necessary Repatriation • Repatriation of Mortal Remains • Transportation after Stabilization

### **Travel Support Services**

Medical Monitoring • Hotel Arrangements for Convalescence • Medical and Dental Search and Referral • Advance of Emergency Medical Expenses • Assistance with Replacement Medication, Medical Devices, and Eyeglasses or Corrective Lenses • Transfer of Insurance Information and Medical Records • Assistance with Emergency Travel Arrangements • Interpretation/Translation • Locating Lost or Stolen Items • Emergency Cash Advance

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855-226-1677 (within the United States and Canada)

OR CALL COLLECT:

603-952-2042 (From all other locations)

### **Travel Assistance Services Details**

#### ***Travel Support Services***

- Interpretation/Translation: Upon request, On Call will assist with telephone interpretation in all major languages. If you require ongoing or more complex translation services, On Call will refer you to local translators.
- Locating Lost or Stolen Items: On Call will assist in locating lost luggage, and help you coordinate the replacement of transportation tickets, travel documents or credit cards.
- Medical Monitoring: During the course of a medical emergency resulting from an accident or sickness, On Call will monitor your case to determine whether the care is adequate from a Western Medical perspective.
- Medical and Dental Search and Referral: On Call will assist you in finding physicians, dentists and medical facilities in the area where you are traveling.
- Advance of Emergency Medical Expenses: On Call will advance on-site emergency inpatient medical payments to secure admit or discharge upon receipt of satisfactory assignment of benefits from you, a family member or friend. Assignment of benefits allows Insurer to claim with the Insured's primary insurance when hospital refuses admission or discharge.
- Assistance with Replacement Medication, Medical Devices, and Eyeglasses or Corrective Lenses: On Call will arrange to fill a prescription that has been lost, forgotten, or requires a refill, subject to local law, whenever possible. On Call will also arrange for shipment of replacement eyeglasses/corrective lenses or medical devices. You are responsible for payments of all costs related to these services.
- Transfer of Insurance Information and Medical Records: Upon your request, On Call will help relay insurance information during your hospital admission and assist with transferring your medical information and records to your treating physician.
- Assistance with Vaccine and Blood Transfers: If based upon your physician's prescription, needed vaccines or blood products are not available locally, On Call will coordinate the transfer where possible and permissible by law. You are responsible for all expenses related to this service.

#### ***Non-Insurance Personal Assistance, Concierge and Business Services***

These are Non-Insurance Services provided by On Call International:

- Pre-Trip Information: Upon request, On Call will provide information services such as: visa and passport requirements, health hazard advisories, currency exchange, inoculation and immunization requirements, temperature and weather conditions and embassy and consulate referrals.
- Interpretation/Translation: If during your Trip you need an interpretation, On Call will assist with telephone interpretation in all major languages. If you require ongoing or more complex translation services, On Call will refer you to local translators.
- Legal Referral/Bail: Upon request, On Call will provide you with referrals to a local lawyer. All costs associated with this service are your responsibility. In case of your incarceration, On Call will notify the proper embassy or consulate, arrange the receipt of funds from third party sources and locate an attorney and bail bonds, where permitted by law, with satisfactory guarantee of reimbursement from you, family member or friend. You are responsible for associated fees.
- Emergency Cash Advance: On Call will advance up to \$500 after satisfactory guarantee of reimbursement from you. Any fees associated with the transfer or delivery of funds are your responsibility.

**Concierge Services**

- Restaurant, shopping, hotel recommendations/reservations
- Local transport (rental car, limousine, etc) information and reservations
- Sporting, theatre, night life and event information (sports, scores, stock quotes, gift suggestions, etc.), recommendations and ticketing
- Golf course information, referrals, recommendations and tee times
- Tracking and assisting with the return of lost or delayed baggage

**Business Services**

- Emergency correspondence and business communication assistance
- Assistance with locating available business services such as: express/overnight delivery sites, Internet cafes, print and copy services
- Assistance with or arrangements for telephone and web conferencing • emergency messaging to customers, associates, and others (phone, fax, e-mail, text, etc.)
- Real time weather, travel delay and flight status information
- Worldwide business directory service for equipment repair/replacement, warranty service, etc.
- Emergency travel arrangements



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## **FOR CUSTOMER SERVICE AND GENERAL QUESTIONS**

USI Travel Insurance Services  
One International Plaza, Suite 400  
Philadelphia, PA 19113  
1-855-874-0156  
[select@travelinsure.com](mailto:select@travelinsure.com)  
Fax: 610-537-9835

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## **FOR FILING A CLAIM**

Contact the Nationwide Plan Administrator online at: <https://cbpconnect.com>  
Customer Service: 866-223-4772  
Mailing Address: Attention: Co-ordinated Benefit Plans, LLC  
On Behalf of Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company and Affiliated Companies  
P.O. Box 26222  
Tampa, FL 33623  
Or E-mail your information to: [NWTravClaims@cbpinsure.com](mailto:NWTravClaims@cbpinsure.com)

**IMPORTANT:** To facilitate prompt claims settlement, You will be asked to provide proof of Your loss. Therefore, be sure to obtain the following as applicable: 1.) For medical claims - detailed medical statements from treating physicians where and when the accident or Sickness occurred as well as receipts for medical services and supplies; 2.) For baggage and baggage delay claims - reports from parties responsible (i.e. airline, cruiseline, etc.) for loss, theft, damage or delay. Some claims may also require a police report. Please obtain receipts for lost or damaged items; 3.) For trip delay claims - a statement from party causing delay and receipts for expenses; 4.) For cancellation/interruption claims - Your travel invoice, the cancellation or interruption date, original unused tickets/vouchers, the travel organizer's cancellation clause with regard to nonrefundable losses. You will also be asked to provide proof of payment.

## **HEALTH SERVICES HUB**

Wellness is about promoting personal health and fitness through the natural therapies of diet, nutritional supplements, the benefits of exercise, as well as having a healthy attitude to help improve your total quality of life. Your Travel Plan relationship offers a comprehensive resource that aims to help you achieve personal health and wellness goals regardless of age, gender or level of fitness. This program provides You with the tools to make wellness part of your daily life as well as a great way to help you to get ready for your upcoming trip.

Enrolled participants get access to individual home fitness programs, assessment calculators, disease prevention studies, health tips, guidance on nutrition, weight loss and exercise as well as additional links to other health-related sites. The site is quick, simple and easy to navigate.

Please visit <https://www.healthserviceshub.com/account/promo> and use the Promo Code “**CBPCONNECT**” to gain access to the site. Once there, you will register by creating your own username and password. You can then begin using these helpful tools which are included as part of your Travel Protection Plan.