# AA Fleet Advantage Terms and Conditions



#### Introduction

AA Fleet Advantage consists of two separate contracts:

- (i) A contract with Arval UK Limited for the provision of payment facilities for fuel and oil, vehicle related goods, tyres, batteries, exhausts and windscreen replacements, vehicle servicing, repairs, maintenance services and car hire.
- (ii) A contract with Automobile Association Insurance Services Limited, Automobile Association Limited and Acromas Insurance Services Limited for the provision of breakdown cover

This booklet sets out the terms of these contracts.

## Fleet Advantage Payment Card Terms and Conditions of Use

#### Definitions

"We/us/our" - Arval UK Limited.

"Card" - An AA Fleet Advantage Card issued by Arval UK Limited.

"You/your" - The Account Holder.

"Card Holder" - Person authorised by you to use the Card.

"Card Charge" - An annual charge plus VAT applied to each Card issued by us.

"Goods and Services" – Goods and services that can be purchased using the Card including

- (i) petrol, DERV, LPG, engine oil and/or (ii) vehicle related goods, tyres, batteries, exhausts and windscreen replacements, vehicle servicing, repairs, maintenance services, vehicle breakdown and car hire and other services that may be included from time to time.
  - "Franchised Outlets" Suppliers of the Goods and Services holding Franchise Agreements with Arval UK Limited or with any of our associated companies acting as our authorised selling agents.
  - "Agreement" Means this agreement between you and us.

#### 1. Authorisation

Signing or using a Card by you or a Card Holder denotes your acceptance of this Agreement. It also means that you agree to pay us for Goods and Services supplied to you or to the Card Holder by our Franchised Outlets.

#### 2. Validity and use

The Card may only be used by a Card Holder and is valid until its expiry date or cancellation, whichever is the earlier. You must ensure that the Card Holder signs their name and/or enters their vehicle registration number on the reverse of the Card to prevent unauthorised use which you will be liable for, and the Card Holder presents the Card at the Franchised Outlet before purchasing Goods and Services so that the Franchised Outlet is aware that the sale to the Card Holder is made as agent for us.

The Card Holder must ensure that the correct vehicle registration number and mileage, if given, has been recorded on a voucher for each purchase. Failure to comply with this or any other condition does not release you from liability for any supply of Goods and Services made to you or to the Card Holder, with or without your approval.

#### 3. Cards

Each Card will have your name and the expiry date of the Card embossed on it. The Card may also bear the name of the Card Holder, the registration number of the vehicle for which it is used, our/your telephone number, and the maximum amount in pounds sterling (inclusive of VAT) (subject to any standard tolerance level that we operate from time to time) that may be spent on Goods and Services by the Card Holder without our/your prior authorisation. If the signature panel on the back of the Card is defaced or incorrectly completed, the Card may be confiscated. We may charge a fee for issuing replacement Cards. Cards may be rejected by Franchise Holders if usage criteria set by or agreed with us are not complied with.

#### 4. Accounts

Each week, or other agreed period, we will send you an invoice showing all amounts debited, less any credits or refunds. You must pay the invoice in full, by Direct Debit, not later than 14 days after the date to which the invoice is made up (the payment due date). Interest will be charged at a rate of 3% over National Westminster Bank Plc base rate calculated on a day-to-day basis on any amount outstanding on the payment due date until the invoice is paid in full.

If any amount remains unpaid for more than five weeks after the payment due date, we may, without invalidating our rights as stated in Clause 9 below, immediately and without any notice at all cancel all your Cards and terminate this Agreement. If we do not receive payment because we are unable to draw from your account via the Direct Debit we may make an administration charge. We may also charge a fee for any copies of invoices or sales vouchers you request for transactions dating back more than three months. However, we are under no obligation to retrieve information on transactions dating back more than six months.

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- s guarantee Debit
- This Guarantee is offered by all Banks and Building Societies that take part in the Direct Debit Scheme. The efficiency and security is monitored and protected by your own Bank or Building Society.
- If the amounts to be paid or the payment dates change, Arval UK Ltd. will notify you at least 14 days in advance of your account being debited or as otherwise agreed.
- If an error is made by Arval UK Ltd. or your Bank or Building Society you are guaranteed a full and immediate refund from your branch of the amount paid.

You can cancel a Direct Debit at any time by writing to your Bank or Building Society. Please also send a copy of your letter to: Banking Service PD27, Arval UK Limited, Arval Centre, Windmill Hill, Swindon, Wiltshire SN5 6PE.

#### 5. Payments

Your payments and any credits or refunds due to you will be used first to pay off any interest you owe to us; and second, to reduce any outstanding amounts. If you make a claim against any Franchised Outlet or other supplier, you cannot offset that amount against any money you owe us, or counter-claim against us, nor will we reimburse you directly on the Franchised Outlet's behalf.

#### Breach

If we find that you have given us false or incomplete information, or that you are in breach of any of this Agreement, we will, without invalidating our rights as stated in Clause 9 below, demand and you will make immediate payment of any monies owing to us.

#### 7. Loss, theft or misuse of a card

If a Card is lost, stolen or in the possession of someone no longer authorised to use it, you must telephone us immediately (0870 419 2483 between 08.00 and 17.15, Monday to Friday, or 0870 902 0645 outside of these hours) and notify us in writing within 48 hours by fax (0870 842 3255) or by post to ARVAL, Post Dept. 40, Arval Centre, Windmill Hill, Swindon SN5 6PE. Where we receive written notification within 48 hours, you will not be liable for any purchases made using that Card. Where you do not notify us in writing within 48 hours, you will remain liable for all purchases made with that Card until we receive written notification.

Once we have been notified in writing, and providing that you comply with this Clause in full and have complied with all of your obligations in the Agreement, you will have no further liability for purchases made with that Card by persons other than yourself or a Card Holder. You should tell us all you know about the circumstances of the loss/theft and take all reasonable steps to assist in recovering the missing Card, including notifying the police and obtaining a crime reference number. You must also ensure that no Card remains in the possession of anyone no longer authorised to use it.

#### 8. Notice

You must immediately inform us in writing of any change in your address or bank details. We will assume that any information we send by pre-paid post to the address we currently hold will reach you on the first day (not being a Sunday or public holiday) following posting.

#### 9. Cancellation of cards and variation of terms

All Cards remain our property. We may at any time, by written notice, cancel any Cards with immediate effect and refuse to issue a new or replacement Card or vary or terminate this Agreement. On cancellation or termination you must immediately return every Card to us. If you request cancellation of a Card in writing, or where we cancel any Card we may ask you to return it to us cut in half for security purposes. If you do not return the cancelled Card, you will remain liable for any purchases made with that Card. Cancellation of a Card or termination of this Agreement, in accordance with this or any other Clause in this Agreement, does not in any way alter your liability in respect of the use of the Card(s) prior to cancellation or termination. We may charge you an administration fee if you use a Card after you have requested that it be cancelled together with any costs associated with recovering cancelled Cards. We may also charge you for any rewards that we pay to Franchised Outlets for recovering Cards which you ask us to cancel and which we also agree to treat as reported lost or stolen. If the Card is used following written notice of changes in this Agreement, it will denote your acceptance of those changes.

#### 10. Card charge

We levy an annual Card Charge on each Card issued by us. We may change the Card Charge at any time by notifying you on your invoice and any new Card Charge is valid from the anniversary date of this Agreement. The Card Charge is calculated on the basis that all your Cards are used. If any Cards are unused, we may calculate an amended Card Charge based on the Cards actually in use and apply that Card Charge to all your Cards, whether used or not. In this case, the amended Card Charge will apply as if it dated from the start of this Agreement.

#### 11. Exclusion and limitation

This Agreement details everything for which we accept liability. Where it has not been specifically mentioned in this Agreement then we do not accept liability for it. We also do not accept liability for any statutory obligations that might be expressed or implied in this Agreement unless the statute states that we are unable to exclude liability for it. Our total liability for Goods and Services you purchase from Franchised Outlets is limited to the amount we can recover from them, which we will pass on to you. We are not liable to you, nor you to us, for any loss of profits or goodwill or any other losses resulting from any breach of this Agreement.

#### 12. Agency, transfer, change of control and subsidiaries

We may transfer all of our rights and obligations under this Agreement. We may also, for the purpose of carrying out this Agreement, appoint as our agent any other company in the ARVAL Group or any third party with which we have an agreement with to act as our agent, any such agent shall be entitled to exercise any of our rights under this Agreement. You may not transfer this Agreement without our written permission. Should there be a change in ownership of more than 50% of your shares or a change in control of your organisation (whether company or individual) or if there is a material adverse change to your business at any time during this Agreement, we have the right to terminate this Agreement immediately.

With our approval, you may have Cards issued to a subsidiary company, which will then become your representative for the purpose of this Agreement. This makes you and the subsidiary company jointly and separately liable in respect of the responsibilities and liabilities contained in this Agreement.

#### 13. This agreement

Any waiver of the terms set out in this Agreement must be signed by both you and us. Should this Agreement be transferred to another person/organisation, then this Agreement will still apply. Subject to our right to vary this Agreement it contains all of the terms and conditions which will apply to our supply of the Cards to you for the purchase

of Goods and Services at Franchised Outlets and it replaces any previous written or oral agreement.

#### 14. Credit checks and marketing

We may make periodic credit checks (or may require our agents to), which will involve disclosing information about you to licensed Credit Reference Agencies. Occasionally we may use information provided by you to let you know about the Goods and Services for which your Card(s) may be used. We will also tell you about offers and other services that our group of companies provide.

#### 15. This Agreement is governed by English law.

#### 16. Contact Details

You can contact us in the following ways:-

By Post: Arval UK Ltd, PD 56, PO Box 1463, Swindon SN5 6PS

By Phone: 0870 419 2483 By fax: 0870 842 3255

By email: fuel.team@allstarbusinesssolutions.co.uk

We may monitor and record phone calls. We do this so we can check what has been said and also help train our staff. Cards are managed by Arval UK Ltd, PO Box 1463, Swindon, Wiltshire SN5 6PS Registered number 1073098.

## Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover

This part of the booklet sets out the Terms and Conditions of your contract under which You are eligible to receive certain Breakdown Assistance Services. Roadside, Home Start and Relay are provided by The Automobile Association Limited, which is an insurer exempt from authorisation under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000. Relay Plus, if applicable to your cover, is underwritten by Acromas Insurance Company Limited.

#### Welcome to the AA

A warm welcome to the AA and thank you for choosing AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover. The AA's Breakdown Service is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. As the UK's largest motoring organisation the AA deals with around 3.5 million breakdowns each year throughout the UK, Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.

This part of the booklet is split into 2 parts and sets out the Terms & Conditions of the contracts that make up your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover:

- 1 AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover Policy; and
- 2 AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover Arrangement and Administration Contract.

These Terms & Conditions are valid for UK customers joining or renewing on or after 1st January 2010. Please read this booklet carefully and keep it in a safe place as any use of your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover is subject to these Terms & Conditions. Please note that whilst most of the Terms & Conditions relating to Breakdown Cover apply to all UK customers, there are some variations depending on the type of cover you have purchased. To understand which of the Terms & Conditions apply to your particular AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover, please make sure you are aware of the type of cover you hold. Your type of cover will be detailed in the accompanying letter or advised to you in writing separately and this will confirm the level of breakdown cover you hold (which determines the extent of service you receive).

AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover can involve you contracting with two insurers for your breakdown cover: Roadside Assistance, Home Start and Relay are provided by The Automobile Association Limited and Relay Plus is provided by Acromas Insurance Company Limited (AICL). The Terms & Conditions of Breakdown Cover are set out in the "AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover Policy" part of this booklet.

AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover also involves a separate contract between you and us (Automobile Association Insurance Services Limited) under which we agree to arrange and administer your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover (see the "AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover Arrangement and Administration Contract" part of this booklet).

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Part 1. AA Fleet Advantage BreakdownCover
-Your Contract with the Insurer(s)

### AA FLEET ADVANTAGE BREAKDOWN COVER



This policy summary provides you with basic details of your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover. AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover provides a number of levels of Breakdown Assistance which are outlined in the summary below – please check the letter provided to you or with your sales advisor for details of the level of cover you hold.

Please note this is not a statement of the full Terms & Conditions, which are detailed later in this booklet.

#### 1. Who is AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover provided by?

- Roadside, Relay, Recovery and Home Start are provided by The Automobile Association Limited (AAL).
- Relay Plus is provided by Acromas Insurance Company Limited (AICL).

#### 2. Who is covered by AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover?

AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover is vehicle-based breakdown cover so covers your vehicle(s) no matter who is driving.

#### 3. What are the main features/benefits of AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover?

Service	Benefits
Roadside Assistance	■ Assistance at the roadside if you are broken down more than 1/4 mile from home. Tow to a local garage for you, your vehicle and up to 7 passengers if the AA is unable to fix your vehicle at the roadside.
Home Start	■ Provides the benefits outlined under 'Roadside Assistance', if you break down at or within 1/4 mile from home.
Relay	■ Recovery to any single UK destination of your choice if the AA is unable to fix your car at the roadside or arrange a prompt local repair.
Relay Plus	■ Choice of onward travel options if the AA is unable to fix your car at the roadside or arrange a prompt local repair. Options include replacement vehicle for up to 48 hours, public transport costs or overnight accommodation.

## 4. Are there any significant exclusions or limitations to AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown cover?

Full details of the restrictions which apply to AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover can be found further on in this Booklet, however the key restrictions are:

Where cover is available (page 13):

Service is only available within Great Britain, Northern Ireland, Channel Islands or the Isle
of Man

Vehicle specifications (see page 17)

 Service is only available for cars, vans, minibuses or motorcycles which comply with the stated max weight restriction of 3.5 tonnes, and max width restriction of 7ft 6in (2.3m).

General Terms and Conditions (see pages 20-25);

- Assistance is not available following a breakdown or accident attended by the police or other emergency service, until the vehicle's removal is authorised. If the police insist on recovery by a third party, the cost must be met by you;
- No recovery (including a local tow) is available following an accident.
- Transport of any animal is discretionary, and horses and livestock will not be recovered;
- Routine maintenance, running repairs, the cost of spare parts, fuel, oil, keys, specialist lifting equipment, garage or other labour required to repair your vehicle are excluded, as is the provision of service on private property without the relevant permission;
- Service is discretionary where it is requested to deal with the same or a similar fault or cause of breakdown to that attended in regard to the same vehicle within the preceding 28 days;
- Service is only available to vehicles which are registered with the AA at the time assistance is requested;
- The Driver must be with the vehicle at the times of breakdown and assistance. A valid Fleet Advantage card and some other form of identification must be produced.

Service will be refused and may be cancelled if anyone behaves in an abusive or threatening manner, or if the AA is owed money.

Replacement vehicle (see page 19):

Any vehicle hire that may be arranged for you will be subject to the hirer's Terms & Conditions.

#### 5. How long is AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover valid for?

The duration of your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover is 12 months.

#### 6. What if I want to cancel AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover?

You have the right to cancel your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover within a 14 day 'cooling off period', commencing either from the agreement of the contract, or the receipt of your policy documents, whichever happens later. The following refund policy will apply for customers cancelling within the cooling off period:

- If you joined already requiring assistance you will be entitled to a full refund minus the AA's charges for assistance provided.
- If you were not in a breakdown situation when you joined you will receive a full refund less the cancellation administration charge that Automobile Association Insurance Services Limited make.
- Subject to any other statutory rights you may have, there will be no refunds following the cooling off period.

Full details of your cancellation rights can be found on page 23 of this booklet.

#### 7. What if I need to make a call out?

If you require breakdown assistance in the UK, please call the relevant number on the back cover of this booklet. You will need to provide your registration number, account number, and details of your circumstances. Please be prepared to show your Fleet Advantage card.

#### 8. What if I need to make a complaint?

If you wish to register a complaint, please make contact:

By phone: 0870 608 0277

In writing: Business Support,
AA Business Services,

Swallowfield One, Wolverhampton Road,

Oldbury, West Midlands B69 2AG.

By email: fleetcustomers@theAA.com

If your complaint is about cover underwritten by AICL and it is not settled, you may be entitled to refer it to the Financial Ombudsman Service, at Insurance Division Financial Ombudsman Service, South Quay Plaza, 183 Marsh Wall, London E14 9SR.

Telephone: 0845 080 1800 or email: complaint-info@financialombudsman.org.uk

## 9. Is AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover covered by the Financial Services Compensation scheme (FSCS)?

Acromas Insurance Company Limited (AICL), only, is covered by the FSCS. If any of the cover you have purchased is underwritten by AICL, you may be entitled to compensation from the scheme if AICL cannot meet its obligations. This depends on the type of business and the circumstances of the claim. Further information about the compensation scheme arrangements is available from the FSCS at www.fscs.org.uk or telephone 020 7892 7300.

# Your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover Policy in full

## If you require Breakdown Assistance

#### Where cover is available:

Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover detailed in this Policy only applies when the Covered Vehicle first becomes stranded in the United Kingdom.

#### How to contact the AA:

If the Covered Vehicle has broken down and requires assistance, please contact the AA on the telephone numbers provided on the back cover of this booklet. It is important that You contact the AA because if You contact a garage direct You will have to settle the bill and the AA will not be obliged to reimburse You.

#### How the AA will identify that You are entitled to assistance:

The Driver will require the AA Fleet Advantage card to access service. Please note that the AA is entitled to assume that anyone driving or travelling in the Covered Vehicle is authorised by the customer to request assistance for that vehicle. You must make all Drivers aware of the terms of Your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover and must give the Drivers copies of the breakdown information supplied by the AA in conjunction with the Fleet Advantage Cards.

When the Driver contacts the AA for assistance she/he will be asked to show the Fleet Advantage card to ensure that only those customers entitled receive service. If assistance is required please be prepared to show this card.

If a valid Fleet Advantage card cannot be produced, the AA reserves the right to refuse service. For further details please refer to General Terms and Conditions, clause 3f, page 22

Please also note that You should advise Arval immediately of any changes to contact name, company address and vehicle registration numbers. Please refer to General Terms and Conditions, clause 14, page 24.

#### If you're not an AA customer or don't hold the relevant level of cover:

If You are not entitled to any AA breakdown assistance services or You are not, at the time of the breakdown, entitled to the particular assistance service(s) You require, the AA may still be prepared to provide the required assistance. However, if so, in addition to paying the usual premium for the relevant AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover, a supplementary premium will be payable. In addition, if You have broken down and require, but don't have, Relay (and the AA is prepared to upgrade Your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover to include this) the AA is entitled to limit the distance of the recovery under Relay on this occasion to a 'short tow'. The maximum mileage will be notified to You when You request assistance and You will be charged for any recovery provided in excess of this mileage.

## If you are provided with breakdown assistance service(s) but subsequently default in making payment for your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover

Subject to any statutory rights you may have, if the AA provides breakdown assistance services under your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover, at your request or at the request of someone who the AA reasonably believes is entitled to request assistance under your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover, and subsequently it becomes apparent that you have not paid for your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover then the AA will be entitled to charge you for the services actually provided.

## **Compliments and complaints**

If you have a compliment or complaint about Your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover the AA really wants to hear from you. The AA welcome your comments as they provide the opportunity to put things right and to improve the service provided to its Members.

Phone: 0870 608 0277 (Mon-Fri 9am-5pm)

Text phone: 0800 32 82 810
Or write to: Business Support,

AA Business Services, Swallowfield One,

Wolverhampton Road, Oldbury,

West Midlands B69 2AG

Email: fleetcustomers@theAA.com

It is the AA's policy to acknowledge any complaint within five working days. The AA will advise You of who is dealing with Your concerns and, where possible, provide a response. If, in regard to a complaint about Relay Plus You are still not satisfied after You have received a full response, or after eight weeks have passed, You may be eligible to contact the Financial Ombudsman.

Phone: 0845 080 1800

Or write to: The Financial Ombudsman

Insurance Division

Financial Ombudsman Service,

South Quay Plaza, 183 Marsh Wall, London E14 9SR

Email: complaint.info@financialombudsman.org.uk.

However, please note that businesses with an annual group turnover of £1 million or more, charities with annual income of £1 million or more, or trusts with a net asset value of £1 million or more are not eligible to make a complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service. Full details of eligibility for the Financial Ombudsman Service can be found at: www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk

Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS) for AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover: Relay Plus, which is provided by Acromas Insurance Company Limited (AICL), is covered by the FSCS. If you have purchased Relay Plus you may be entitled to compensation from the scheme if AICL cannot meet its obligations in relation to that cover. This depends on the type of business and the circumstances of the claim. General insurance provided by a regulated insurer such as AICL is covered for 90% of the claim, without any upper limit. Further information about the compensation scheme arrangements is available from the FSCS at www.fscs.org.uk or 020 7892 7300. The following types of business are excluded from the Financial Services Compensation Scheme:

- 1 Large companies (a body corporate which does not qualify as a small company under section 247 of the Companies Act 1985);
- 2 Large mutual associations (a mutual association or unincorporated association with net assets of more than £1.4 million (or its equivalent in any other currency at the relevant time));
- 3 Large partnerships (a partnership or unincorporated association with net assets of more than £1.4 million (or its equivalent in any other currency at the relevant time)).

Full details of eligibility for the Financial Services Compensation Scheme can be found at: www.fscs.org.uk.

Please note that Roadside, Relay and Home Start are provided by The Automobile Association Limited and this company does not fall within the FSCS.

## Definition of words and phrases used in this Policy

Some common terms are used to make this Policy easier to understand. Wherever the following words or phrases appear they will always have the meaning set out below.

'AA' 'means the relevant insurer of the AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover being The Automobile Association Limited for Roadside Assistance, Relay and Home Start and Acromas Insurance Company Limited for Relay Plus, or either or both of those insurers, as the context requires or allows.

'AAIS' means Automobile Association Insurance Services Limited.

'AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover' means Fleetwide 3 or Fleetwide 4 cover.

'Breakdown' means an event:

- a) which causes the driver of the relevant vehicle to be unable to start a journey in the vehicle or involuntarily brings the vehicle to a halt on its journey because of some malfunction of the vehicle or failure of it to function; and
- after which the journey cannot reasonably be commenced or continued in the relevant vehicle; provided always that any part or other failure shall not be considered to be a breakdown unless it results in the vehicle not working as a whole.

'Covered Vehicle' ('Your Vehicle' means a vehicle operated by You and listed in Your joining or renewal letter as being included in Your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover.

'Home Address' means the address which the AA has recorded as the registered address of the Covered Vehicle at the time of the relevant breakdown or accident.

'Driver'means the Driver of the Covered Vehicle at the time of the breakdown or accident.

'Premium' means the premium You pay for Your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover.

'Subscription Year(s)' means the period(s) of 12 months commencing from the start of Your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover or from any anniversary of the start of that cover.

'UK' means Great Britain, Northern Ireland, Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.

'Vehicle Restrictions' means the Vehicle Restrictions set out below.

**'Customer' 'You' and 'Yours'** means the individual, company or other organisation who has purchased AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover and, if the context requires, includes reference to the Driver driving the Covered Vehicle with Your consent.

**'Your Cover'** means Your policy for AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover, as described in these Terms and Conditions.

## **About AA Breakdown Cover**

This section details the different kinds of cover that are available under AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover. The cover You hold will detailed on Your breakdown cards, or if changes are made these will be confirmed separately to You in writing.

#### Services available

The AA offers a number of breakdown assistance services which can be purchased as part of AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover. These include:



Roadside Assistance – this is the minimum level of cover and provides roadside
assistance throughout the UK, 24 hours a day, every day of the year. The AA's number
one aim is to fix the Covered Vehicle, but if it cannot be fixed it will be taken to the
nearest garage. Please refer to page 17 for full details.



• Home Start – provides all the benefits of Roadside Assistance at the Covered Vehicle's home address. Please refer to page 18 for full details.



Relay - recovery to a single UK destination of the Driver's choice if the AA is unable to
fix the Covered Vehicle at the roadside or arrange a prompt local repair. This means
the Driver can choose to be taken home, to their destination or anywhere else in the
UK, regardless of how far this may be. Please refer to page 18 for full details



Relay Plus - if the Covered Vehicle has broken down and the AA cannot arrange a
prompt local repair, Relay Plus provides alternative travel options. You could choose
from a replacement car for up to 48 hours, public transport costs or overnight. Please
refer to page 19 for full details.

Please note that AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover will not be active until 24 hours from the time of purchase.

## Types of cover

AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover provides cover for Covered Vehicles regardless of who is driving. It is available in a number of packages which are outlined below.

Cover Type	Roadside	Home Start	Relay	Relay Plus	
Fleetwide 3	✓	✓	1	✓	
Fleetwide 4	✓	1	1	n/a	

#### **Duration of cover**

AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover is for 12 months and paid for in a single Premium. Please see further details on cancellation, page 23.

## Vehicle specifications

Assistance is only available for cars, vans, minibuses or motorcycles which meet the specifications set out below.

Please note that 'car, van, minibus or motorcycle' does not include, amongst other things, electric pavement vehicles, electrical wheelchairs, bicycles (including electric bicycles), any vehicle which cannot lawfully be used on the public highway and/or any non-motorised vehicle.

Maximum Vehicle Weight: Maximum Vehicle Width: 3.5 tonnes (3,500kg) gross vehicle weight 7ft 6in (2.3m)

Assistance will also be provided for a caravan or trailer which was on tow at the time of the breakdown, subject to the dimensions falling within the above limits.

AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover is only available for vehicles that have been registered with the AA for 24 hours at the time assistance has been requested.

## **Transportation of Animals**

Please note that horses or livestock will not be recovered and the recovery of any animal is at the AA's discretion. See General Terms and Conditions, clause 1m, page 20.

## Service Descriptions – What is covered and what is not covered

#### **Roadside Assistance**

Provided by The Automobile Association Limited.

#### What is covered:

- Roadside Assistance is available if the Covered Vehicle is stranded on the highway more than a quarter of a mile from the Home Address following a breakdown or accident:
- If, following a breakdown, a patrol or appointed agent cannot fix the Covered Vehicle
  within a reasonable time, it will be taken to the AA's choice of relevant local repairer
  or to a local destination of the Driver's choice, provided it is no further;
- The AA will make a telephone call at the Driver's request following a breakdown;
- Please note that any contract for repair, other than repairs carried out by the AA or its agent at the roadside under Your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover, is between the person requesting the repair and the repairer it is not the AA's responsibility to instruct the repairer to undertake any work required or to pay them for it;
- The AA does not guarantee that any recovery to a relevant local repairer will be within the opening hours of the repairer, or that the repairer will be immediately available to undertake any required repair. Whilst the AA will endeavour to check that the chosen repairer carries out the type of repair work required, this cannot be guaranteed and the AA does not provide any assurance or warranty with respect to any work carried out at Your request by any third party repairer.

#### What is not covered:

- The cost of spare parts, fuel, oil, keys or other materials required to repair the Covered Vehicle or any supplier delivery or call-out charges related to these items;
- The cost of any labour, other than that provided by the AA or its agents under Your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover at the scene of the breakdown or accident;
- Any additional transport or other costs that might be incurred or any incidental

- expenses that may arise during a recovery. The AA cannot accept any costs for passengers who do not accompany the Covered Vehicle while it is being recovered;
- Routine maintenance and running repairs eg radios, interior light bulbs, heated rear windows:
- Any recovery or tow following an accident (see General Terms and Conditions, clause 2, page 20);
- Assistance following a breakdown or accident attended by the police, highways agency
  or other emergency service, until the services concerned have authorised the covered
  Vehicle's removal. If the police, highways agency or emergency service insist on recovery
  by a third party, the cost of this must be met by the Driver;
- A second or subsequent recovery, after the Covered Vehicle has been recovered following a breakdown:
- All things excluded under General Terms and Conditions, pages 20-25.

#### **Home Start**

Provided by The Automobile Association Limited.

#### What is covered:

- Home Start is only available if it is included in Your package (see page 16); and if the Home Start cover has been paid for at least 24 hours before the breakdown occurred.
- Home Start provides access to the same service as is available under 'Roadside
  Assistance' following a breakdown or accident at or within a quarter of a mile of the
  Home Address.

#### What is not covered:

• All things excluded under 'Roadside Assistance – what is not covered'.

#### Relay

Provided by The Automobile Association Limited.

#### What is covered:

- Relay is only available if it is included in Your package (see page 16); and if the Relay cover has been paid for at least 24 hours before the breakdown occurred.
- Relay is available when the AA provides either Roadside Assistance or Home Start service and the AA cannot arrange a prompt local repair;
- Relay provides recovery of the Covered Vehicle, together with the Driver and up to a
  maximum of seven passengers to any single destination of the Driver's choice in the UK
  (see also General Terms and Conditions, clause 1g, page 20).

#### What is not covered:

- If You join already requiring Relay (Recovery) and the AA is prepared to provide Relay (Recovery) assistance for the breakdown concerned then, in addition to charging an increased Premium, the AA is entitled to limit the relevant recovery under Relay (Recovery) to the maximum mileage notified at the time the request for the relevant assistance was made and to charge for any recovery provided in excess of that mileage;
- Recovery of the Covered Vehicle if it is at or within a quarter of a mile or less of the Home Address.
- A second or subsequent recovery (e.g. the return journey from the Driver's chosen destination or following a further breakdown of the Covered Vehicle);
- Overnight accommodation, incidental expenses, transportation of passengers in excess
  of the maximum number or transportation of passengers who are not in the Covered
  Vehicle at the time of the breakdown (although the AA can assist with arranging such
  accommodation and transportation at the Driver's cost on request);
- All things excluded under 'Roadside Assistance what is not covered', page 17.

## **Relay Plus**

Underwritten by Acromas Insurance Company Limited,

#### What is covered:

- Relay Plus is only available if it is included in Your package (see page 16); and if the Relay Plus cover has been paid for at least 24 hours before the breakdown occurred;
- Relay Plus is available if the Covered Vehicle is immobilised following a breakdown which
  the AA has attended under Roadside Assistance or Home Start and where the AA cannot
  arrange a prompt local repair. Customers with Relay Plus may choose from either a
  replacement vehicle OR overnight accommodation OR public transport costs (see below for
  full details of what is covered under each benefit).

#### What is not covered:

- Relay Plus cannot be provided retrospectively except in exceptional circumstances that may be agreed by the AA at its discretion;
- Relay Plus is not available following an accident (see General Terms and Conditions, clause 2, (page 20).

## **Relay Plus benefit options**

#### A: Replacement vehicle

#### What is covered:

• This benefit consists of arranging and paying for a replacement mid-range saloon or hatchback type car with engine capacity of up to 1,600cc, plus insurance for up to 48 hours from an AA chosen supplier. Where possible, and unless the receipt of the hire vehicle is delayed at the Driver's request and with the AA's agreement, the AA will arrange for any replacement vehicle to be provided by the supplier around the time and point of the relevant breakdown. If the hire vehicle is not taken at that time, the Driver is responsible for arranging delivery direct with the relevant supplier. The AA may be prepared to assist in the making of these arrangements.

#### What is not covered:

- Other charges arising from the Driver's use of the hire vehicle, such as (without limitation) fuel costs, any insurance excess charges, and charges arising if the Driver keeps the vehicle for more than 48 hours;;
- Replacement vehicles cannot be supplied with a tow bar, and therefore the Driver's carayan or trailer will have to, if eligible, be recovered under Relay with Your Vehicle.

Please note: Replacement cars are supplied to You/ the Driver by the AA's chosen suppliers. The vehicle hire agreement will be between You/ the Driver and the relevant supplier and will be subject to that supplier's Terms & Conditions. These will usually require or include (amongst other things):

- · Production of a full driving licence valid at the time of issue of the hire vehicle;
- · Limits on acceptable endorsements;
- Limitations on the availability and/or engine capacity of the replacement vehicle;
- A cash or credit card deposit eg for fuel;
- Drivers to be aged at least 18 years and to have held a full driving licence for at least 12 months.

#### OR

#### **B: Public transport costs**

The AA will reimburse reasonable public transport costs incurred by the Driver and up to a maximum of seven passengers (see General Terms and Conditions clause 1g) in travelling to a single UK destination.

Claims should be made in writing and sent together with proofs of purchases and receipts to: the AA, Relay Plus Claims, Agency Accounts, Fanum House, Basingstoke, Hampshire RG21 4FA

OR

#### C: Overnight accommodation

The AA will arrange and pay directly for one night's bed and breakfast on the day of the breakdown at a hotel of its choice for the Driver and up to a maximum of seven.

Please note that any additional costs incurred during overnight accommodation such as other meals, drinks, telephone calls and newspapers are not included. You must settle these direct with the hotel before leaving.

## **General Terms and Conditions**

#### General exclusions

1. AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover does not provide for:

#### a. Any vehicle servicing or re-assembly for example

For example, where this is required as a result of neglect or unsuccessful work on the Covered Vehicle (including, but not limited to, DIY vehicle maintenance) other than on the part of the AA or its agents;

#### b. Garage labour costs

The cost of garage or other labour required to repair the Covered Vehicle, other than that provided by the AA or its agents at the scene of the breakdown or accident:

#### c. Fuel draining

Any costs of draining or removing fuel, lubricants or other fluids as a result of the introduction of an inappropriate substance. The AA will arrange for the Covered Vehicle to be taken to a local garage or another location of your choice (provided no further) but You will have to pay for any work carried out;

#### d. Failure to carry a serviceable spare

Any additional charges resulting from Your failure to carry a legal and serviceable spare wheel(s) or tyre(s), except where this is not provided as manufacturers standard equipment. The AA will endeavour to arrange on your behalf, but will not pay for, assistance from a third party;

e. Having Your Vehicle stored or guarded in Your absence;

#### f. Vehicles on private property

The provision of service when the Covered Vehicle is on private property eg garage premises, unless it can be established that the Driver has the permission of the owner or occupier;

#### g. Excess passengers

The provision of service to any persons in excess of the number of seats fitted in the Covered Vehicle at the time of breakdown, or to anyone who was not travelling in the Covered Vehicle at the time of the breakdown. If there are more people than the maximum allowed, the AA will seek to arrange, but will not pay for, their onward transportation;

#### h. Ferry, toll charges etc

Any ferry, toll or congestion charges incurred in connection with the Covered Vehicle as a result of it being recovered;

#### i. Recovering vehicles from trade or auction

The transportation of immobilised vehicles where the AA considers this to be part of a commercial activity, for example, to, from or for motor dealers or delivery companies;

#### j. Transporting from trade premises

The transportation of immobilised vehicles where the AA considers this to be part of a commercial activity, for example, to, from or for motor dealers or delivery companies;

#### k. Locksmiths, tyre, glass or bodywork specialists costs

The cost (including any call-out charge) of any locksmith, body-glass or tyre specialist, should the AA consider this to be required. The AA will endeavour to arrange this help on Your/ the Driver's behalf, however it will not pay for these specialist services and any contract for services provided will be between You/ the Driver and the relevant specialist. If, in the AA's reasonable opinion, the Covered Vehicle requires recovery to such a specialist to be mobilised and, to effect that recovery, specialist lifting equipment not normally carried by AA patrols is required, the AA will arrange the recovery but at Your cost. If use of a locksmith or other specialist would, in the AA's opinion, mobilise the Covered Vehicle, no further service will be available for the breakdown in question;

#### I. Specialist lifting equipment

The cost of any specialist lifting equipment (not normally carried by AA patrols), if this is, in the view of the AA, required to provide assistance eg when a Vehicle has left the highway, is standing on soft ground or is stuck in snow or floodwater. In these instances the AA will arrange recovery but at Your cost. Once the Vehicle has been recovered to a suitable location, normal AA service will be provided, normal AA service will be provided.

#### m. Transporting animals

The transportation or arrangement of the transportation of any animal (guide dogs or hearing dogs to be transported together with their owner, where the AA will provide transportation unless this is not possible for health and/or safety reasons). The AA will not recover horses or livestock. If the AA or its agents does, at its absolute discretion, agree to transport any animal, then this will be at Your/ the Driver's own risk. It is the Driver's responsibility to secure any animal being transported or to make alternative arrangements for its transportation;

#### n. Participating in sporting events

Assistance for vehicles broken down as a result of taking part in any 'Motor Sport Event', including, without limitation, racing, rallying, trials or time-trials or auto test. However, for the avoidance of doubt, the AA does not consider 'Concours d'élègance' events, track test days for road-legal vehicles or rallies held exclusively on open public highways where participants are required to comply with the normal rules of the road, to be Motor Sports Events.

## 2. AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover does not provide for any vehicle recovery following an accident.

The AA may, if requested, be prepared to provide recovery following an accident but, if so, the person making the request will be responsible for paying the AA's charges for this assistance (including, but not limited to, any charges relating to any specialist equipment used).

If following an accident, one of the Relay Plus services is required (and You have Relay Plus), the AA may, again, be prepared to arrange this but will not be responsible for any costs involved. You must pay, on request, any applicable charges. You must give the AA, on request, any relevant information it reasonably requests in regard to all matters referred to in this clause. Please note that, following an accident, or otherwise, it is and remains the Driver's responsibility to ensure that any requirements of the relevant motor insurer are properly complied with when making a claim under the relevant motor insurance policy.

## General rights to refuse service

Please note: if a Customer is refused service by the AA the Customer has the right to request an explanation in writing (see 'Compliments and complaints' for Business Support contact details).

3. The AA reserves the right to refuse to provide or arrange breakdown assistance under the following circumstances:

#### a. Repeat Breakdowns within 28 days

Where service is requested to deal with the same or similar cause of breakdown to that which the AA attended within the preceding 28 days. It is the Driver's responsibility to make sure that emergency repairs carried out by the AA are, where appropriate, followed as soon as possible by a permanent repair. Nothing in this provision shall affect any rights You may have in relation to any negligence or breach of contract or breach of any other legal duty on the part of the AA or its agents;

#### b. Unattended vehicles

The Driver is not with the Covered Vehicle at the time of the breakdown and the Driver is unable to be present at the time assistance arrives;

#### c. Unsafe or unroadworthy vehicles

Where in the AA's reasonable opinion, the Covered Vehicle was, immediately before breakdown or accident, dangerous, overladen, unroadworthy or could not otherwise have been lawfully used on the public highway;

#### d. Assisting where unsafe or unlawful

In the AA's reasonable opinion, and other than solely as a result of a failure on the part of the AA, the giving of service would involve a breach of the law (including, without in any way restricting the type of breach being referred to under this subclause, a breach of the AA's health and safety duties);

#### e. Delay in reporting

In the AA's reasonable opinion, there has been an unreasonable delay in reporting the breakdown:

#### f. Cannot verify Eligibility

Where the Driver cannot produce a valid entitlement card (or appropriate receipt) and some other form of identification. If these cannot be produced, and the AA is unable to verify that the appropriate entitlement is held, the AA reserves the right to refuse service.

However if the Driver is unable to prove entitlement to service, the AA may, at its discretion, offer service on the immediate payment (by credit or debit card) of the usual Premium for the relevant cover required, plus a supplementary Premium for joining while already requiring assistance.

The Premium paid will be fully refunded if it can be established to the AA's reasonable satisfaction that the relevant level of service entitlement was held at the time of the breakdown

Any services provided under Relay Plus must be paid for in advance by You and will be fully refunded if it can be established to the AA's reasonable satisfaction that entitlement to Relay Plus was held at the time of the breakdown. Without prejudice to Your statutory rights, no refunds will be given if entitlement cannot be proved, or simply because Your Vehicle cannot be fixed at the roadside;

#### q. Unreasonable behaviour

The AA reasonably considers that You or the Driver:

- or anyone accompanying you or the Driver, is behaving or has behaved in a threatening or abusive manner to AA employees, patrols or agents, or to any third party contractor; or
- (ii) have falsely represented that You or the Driver are entitled to services to which You or the Driver are not entitled; or
- (iii) have assisted another person in accessing AA services to which they are not entitled; or
- (iv) owe the AA money with respect to any services, spare parts or other matters provided by the AA or by a third party on the AA's instruction.

#### Additional services

 Any additional services made available by the AA which are not described in these Terms and Conditions are provided on a purely discretionary basis and may be withdrawn at any time.

#### Use of agents

5. Service from dedicated AA patrols is subject to availability and may be supplemented by use of appropriate agents. The AA will only accept responsibility for the actions of an agent where the agent is acting on the AA's instruction

#### Requests for assistance

6. All requests for assistance must be made to the AA using the contact instructions provided by the AA from time to time. If You or the Driver contact a garage direct, You or the Driver will have to settle its bill and the AA will be under no obligation to reimburse You.

## **Emergency nature of breakdown service**

7. AA patrols are trained and equipped to carry out emergency roadside repairs and are not in a position to comment on the general safety or roadworthiness of a Vehicle after a breakdown or an emergency repair. In addition, completion of an emergency repair cannot be taken to signify or in any way guarantee the general roadworthiness of the Vehicle concerned.

## Cancellation of AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover

- 8. You have the right to cancel Your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover within a 14 day 'cooling off period', commencing either from the agreement of the contract (which is the renewal date for renewing AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover) or the receipt of the relevant cover documents, whichever happens later. The following refund policy will apply for customers cancelling within the cooling off period:
  - a) if the Customer joined already requiring assistance, the Customer will receive a full refund of the total Premium paid less the AA's charges for assistance provided. The minimum charge for this assistance is £130, which excludes any additional recovery charges paid for excess mileage (see under 'Relay', 'what is not covered').
  - b) if the Customer did not join already requiring assistance, the Customer will receive a full refund of the Premium less a pro-rata charge for the period on cover and an administration charge of £10. You (and any Drivers) must not, in any event, make further use of the cancelled AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover. Please note that there will be no separate or additional cooling off period(s) during the Subscription Year, regardless of any changes that are made to the AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover.
- 9. If You wish to cancel after the cooling off period has expired, subject to any other statutory rights You may have, there will be no refund of the Premium.
- 10. The AA shall have the right to cancel any AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover Policy if:
  - a) the AA has been entitled to refuse service under clause 3g, page 22.
  - b) AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover was taken out where the AA was, or is, entitled to cancel an existing or previous cover under sub paragraph a) or b) of this clause.
  - c) You are late in paying any sum due to the AA;
  - d) You become insolvent or bankrupt or subject to any similar event or process;

No refund of Premium shall be due following a cancellation under sub-clause a) and b). In the event that the AA cancels an AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover Policy

in accordance with subclause c), the AA shall give Customers a pro rata refund of the Premium based on the unexpired Cover at cancellation provided no service has been given.

- 10. Changes to Your Cover Subject to the Vehicle Specifications, the payment of any additional Premiums due and any other limits imposed by the terms of Your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover, You may:
  - (i) add new vehicles to Your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover;
  - (ii) if You replace any of Your Covered Vehicles, add the replacement Vehicles to You
  - AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover instead of the Covered Vehicle they replace;
  - (iii) upgrade Your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover to another AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover package

Please see General Exclusion (1) for details of when changes to Your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover take effect. The AA reserve the right to refuse to re-register any Vehicle which has previously been registered under Your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover in the same Subscription Year and to make administration charges if You request more than 3 changes in any Subscription Year.

#### Autorenewal

12. AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover will be automatically renewed at the end of each year. A reminder will be sent to advise of the cost of AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover, and any changes to Terms and Conditions that will take effect at renewal. If You do not want to renew on this basis, You should notify the AA at least 7 days prior to renewal. For information, this should be done by contacting AA Business Services on 0800 55 11 88 (option 1).

Please note that if you pay by Direct Debit and your account details change, we will approach your bank for, or receive from your bank updated details to help continue to provide the services you have requested

## **Changes to Terms & Conditions**

13. The AA is entitled to change any of the Terms and Conditions at renewal. The AA also reserves the right to make changes to these Terms and Conditions during the Subscription Year, on the giving of reasonable notice, where it reasonably considers this necessary in order to comply with any applicable laws, regulations or the advice or instruction of any regulatory authority.

## **Changes to your Personal Details**

14. Changes to Your details (including changes to Vehicle details) must be notified to the AA immediately. This must be done by contacting the AA on 0800 55 11 88 (option 1), by emailing fleetcustomers@theAA.com or by writing to: AA Business Services, Swallowfield One, Wolverhampton Road, Oldbury, West Midlands B69 2AG. Please note changes to Your details can only be made by the named contact(s) on Your account.

#### Matters outside the AA's reasonable control

15. While the AA seeks to meet the service needs of Customers at all times, its resources are finite and this may not always be possible. The AA shall not be liable for service failures where the AA is faced with circumstances outside its reasonable control. Events which might constitute circumstances outside the AA's reasonable control include (but are not limited to) Acts of God, outbreak of hostilities, riot, civil disturbance, acts of terrorism, acts of government or authority (including the refusal or revocation of any licence or consent), fire, subsidence, explosion, flood, snow, fog or other bad weather conditions, vehicle, equipment or systems failures, shortages of fuel or other necessary supplies, failure of telecommunications lines or systems, default of suppliers or sub-contractors, theft, malicious damage, strike, lock out or industrial action of any kind.

## Exclusion of liability for loss of profit etc

- 16. The AA shall not, in any event, and to the extent permitted by law, have any responsibility for
  - a) any increased costs or expenses; or
  - b) any loss of
    - (i) profit; or
    - (ii) business; or
    - (iii) contracts; or
    - (iv) revenue; or
    - (v) anticipated savings; or
  - (c) or any special, or indirect or consequential losses incurred as a result of or in connection with any service, whether resulting from tort (including negligence or breach of statutory duty), breach of agreement or otherwise. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this clause or these Terms and Conditions shall exclude or restrict the AA's liability for negligence resulting in death or personal injury. You shall ensure that Your Drivers are aware of this and that this is a condition of receiving assistance.

#### **Enforcement of Terms & Conditions**

- 17. Failure to enforce or non-reliance on any of these Terms and Conditions by the AA will not prevent the AA from subsequently relying on or enforcing them.
- 18. None of the Terms and Conditions, or benefits, of AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover are enforceable by anyone else other than the Customer. For the avoidance of doubt, and without limiting the above, any rights under The Contract (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999, or any replacement or amendment of such act, are excluded.

## Use of headings

19. The headings used in this Policy are for convenience only and shall not affect the interpretation of its contents.

## Interpretation: use of English law & language

20. AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover and these Terms and Conditions are governed and should be interpreted by the laws of England and Wales. The EEA State for the purpose of AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover is the United Kingdom. The Terms and Conditions are written in English and all correspondence entered into shall be in English. Part 2. AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover Arrangement and Administration Contract – Your Contract with AAIS

## AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover and Administration Contract - Your Contract with AAIS

Set out below are the Terms and Conditions of your contract with Automobile Association Insurance Services Limited ("AAIS") relating to AAIS's arrangement and administration of your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover.

Please note that some sales are not arranged through AAIS and if this applies to your cover, you will be issued with a separate document identifying the company which arranged your cover, and giving the required information about that company.

The minimum duration of your arrangement and administration contract with AAIS is the duration of your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover and your contract with AAIS will terminate simultaneously with the termination of the related AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover (whatever the reason for such termination).

#### 1. Who regulates AAIS?

AAIS is authorised and regulated by the Financial Services Authority (FSA). The FSA is an independent body that regulates the financial services industry in the UK. AAIS's permitted business is that of an insurance intermediary dealing in and arranging contracts of general insurance. You can check this information on the FSA's register by visiting their website www.fsa.gov.uk/register or by contacting 0845 606 1234.

Our FSA registration number is 310562.

#### 2. Which companies does AAIS deal with?

AAIS deals with The Automobile Association Limited which underwrites Roadside Assistance, Home Start and Relay, and Acromas Insurance Company Limited which underwrites Relay Plus. AAIS acts as an agent of these underwriters, when arranging payments or refunds of your premium. These are the only underwriters of breakdown assistance available through AAIS. AAIS may renew your cover to a different underwriter or notify you of a future change if the underwriter of AA products has changed for new policies for any reason.

#### 3. What services does AAIS provide?

AAIS provides the following services to you:

- Providing information about breakdown cover: AAIS will provide you with
  information on the breakdown cover available from the insurer(s) under AA Fleet
  Advantage Breakdown Cover and will ask you some questions to help narrow down
  the level and type of that breakdown cover of interest to you. You will not receive
  advice or any recommendation on which level or type of breakdown cover to buy and
  you will need to make your own choice on which level and type of breakdown cover
  you require.
- Arranging breakdown cover. Once you decide what cover you require, AAIS will
  arrange this for you with the insurer(s), dealing with payment and issuing the
  relevant Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover documentation and card(s).
- Administering breakdown cover: After arranging breakdown cover AAIS will
  administer it on your behalf, including supplying replacement Fleet Advantage
  Breakdown Cover documentation, keeping your Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover
  records up to date, dealing with enquiries; changes to payment methods, renewals
  (including Autorenewal) of Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover and cancellations
  (including refunds of premium on behalf of the insurer(s)).
- Making changes to breakdown cover: If during your Fleet Advantage Breakdown
  Cover you wish to change the type or level of cover AAIS will provide you with
  information to help you make your choice and will arrange any changes with the
  insurer(s), including dealing with any additional payments and issue any relevant Fleet
  Advantage Breakdown Cover documentation and card(s).

 If, during the currency of your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover, the relevant insurer wishes to alter the Terms & Conditions of Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover, AAIS will provide you with the relevant information. AAIS will, for compliance purposes, keep a copy of the policy that was issued to you. Communication by AAIS concerning any policy issued will be in English.

#### 4. What will you have to pay for services provided by AAIS?

AAIS will always inform you of, or confirm in writing its fees for the services it provides under this contract. These fees and when they are payable, will be advised in the contract, in the accompanying letter or separately in writing.

AAIS may charge an additional fee of up to two per cent of the transaction value if you pay by credit card (the 'credit card charge'). You will be advised, in advance, if this fee will apply, and the amount payable

Subject to any statutory rights you may have as a consumer, AAIS will only refund its fees in the circumstances set out in the following AA Breakdown Cover Policy General Terms & Conditions:

- a) where premium is refunded under clause 3f, page 22; or
- b) where you cancel under clause 8a, page 20; or
- c) where you cancel under clause 8b, page 20 in which case any refund will be subject to AAIS making a cancellation charge of £20.

Please note: any refund AAIS makes of its fees under b) or c) above will not include a refund of any credit card charge which has been paid by you.

AAIS will also tell you about any other charges relating to your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover. AAIS will also tell you about any other charges relating to your AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover.

#### 5. Changes to Terms & Conditions

Annual cover: AAIS is entitled to change any of these Terms and Conditions at renewal. AAIS also reserves the right to make changes to these Terms & Conditions during the Subscription Year, on the giving of reasonable notice, where it reasonably considers this necessary in order to comply with any applicable laws, regulations or the advice or instruction of any regulatory authority.

#### 6. Matters outside AAIS's reasonable control

AAIS shall not be liable for service failures where it is faced with circumstances outside its reasonable control. Events which might constitute circumstances outside AAIS's reasonable control include (but are not limited to) Acts of God, outbreak of hostilities, riot, civil disturbance, acts of terrorism, acts of government or authority (including the refusal or revocation of any licence or consent), fire, subsidence, explosion, flood, snow, fog or other bad weather conditions, vehicle, equipment or systems failures, shortages of fuel or other necessary supplies, failure of telecommunications lines or systems, default or suppliers or subcontractors, theft, malicious damage, strike, lock out or industrial action of any kind.

#### 7. Exclusion of liability for loss of profit etc

AAIS shall not, in any event, and to the extent permitted by law, have any responsibility for

- a) any increased costs or expenses; or
- b) any loss of
  - (i) profit
  - (ii) business
  - (iii) contracts
  - (iv) revenue
  - (v) anticipated savings; or
- (c) for any special or indirect losses incurred as a result of or in connection with any service, whether resulting from tort (including negligence or breach of statutory duty), from breach of contract or otherwise.

For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this clause or these Terms & Conditions shall exclude or restrict the AAIS's liability for negligence resulting in death or personal injury.

#### 8. Third parties

None of the Terms and Conditions, or benefits, of this Contract are enforceable by anyone else other than the customer. For the avoidance of doubt, and without limiting the above, any rights under The Contract (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999, or any replacement or amendment of such act, are excluded.

#### 9. Interpretation: use of English law & language

This contract is written in English and is governed by, and should be interpreted under, the laws of England and Wales.

#### 10. What to do if you have a complaint?

If you wish to register a complaint about the services you have received from AAIS, please contact

By phone: 0870 608 0277
In writing: Business Support.

AA Business Services, Swallowfield One,

Wolverhampton Road, Oldbury, West Midlands B69 2AG.

By email: fleetcustomers@theAA.com

If you cannot settle your complaint with AAIS you may be entitled to refer it to the Financial Ombudsman Service.

#### 11. Is AAIS covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS)?

The activities of AAIS in arranging AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover are covered by the FSCS. You may be entitled to compensation from the scheme if AAIS cannot meet its obligations. This depends on the type of business and the circumstances of the claim. Insurance arranging is covered for 90% of the claim, without any upper limit. Further information about compensation scheme arrangements is available from the FSCS at www.fscs.org.uk or telephone 0207 892 7300.

#### 12. Use of headings

The headings used above are for convenience only and shall not affect the interpretation of its contents.

## USE OF YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION

- 1.1 The Acromas Holdings Limited group of companies, of which the AA group of companies\* (including The Automobile Association Limited, AA Limited, Automobile Association Insurance Services Limited and Automobile Association Finance Limited) forms a part ("we") will use Your personal information for the following purposes:
  - a) to identify You when You contact us;
  - b) to help identify accounts, services and/or products which You could have from us or selected partners from time to time. We may do this by automatic means using a scoring system, which uses the information You have provided, any information we hold about You and information from third party agencies (including credit reference agencies);
  - c) to help administer, and contact You about improved administration of any accounts, services and products we have provided before, or provide now or in the future;
  - d) to carry out marketing analysis and customer profiling (including with transactional information), conduct research, including creating statistical and testing information;
  - e) to help to prevent and detect fraud or loss;
  - f) to contact You in any way (including mail, email, telephone, text or multimedia messages) about products and services offered by the AA and/or selected partners unless You have previously asked us not to use the relevant personal data for such purposes;
  - q) ) where the AA is contacted for breakdown assistance service using a mobile

telephone the AA or the AA's agents may provide details of the relevant telephone number to the mobile telephone network providers, through the AA's agent, to enable the AA to record the geographical location of the handset as part of the breakdown information in order to assist the AA in locating the caller.

\*A list of companies forming the group of companies is available from the Data Protection Officer at the address given below.

- 1.2 We may allow other people and organisations to use information the AA hold about You for the purpose of providing services You have asked for, as part of the process of selling one or more of businesses, or if we have been legitimately asked to provide information for legal or regulatory purposes or as part of legal proceedings or prospective legal proceedings. From time to time, these service providers and organisations may be outside the European Economic Area in countries that do not have the same standards of protection for personal data as the UK. We will, however, always use every reasonable effort to ensure sufficient protections are in place to safeguard Your personal information.
- 1.3 We may monitor and record communications with You (including phone conversations and emails) for quality assurance and compliance reasons.
- 1.4 We may check Your details with fraud prevention agencies. If You provide false or inaccurate information and suspects fraud, We will record this. The AA and other organisations may use and search these records to:
  - a) help make decisions about credit and credit related services for You and members of Your household:
  - b) help make decisions on motor, household, credit, life and other insurance proposals and insurance claims for You and other members of Your household;
  - c) trace debtors, recover debt, prevent fraud and to manage Your accounts or insurance policies; and
  - d) check Your identity to prevent money laundering unless You give the AA other satisfactory proof of identity.
- 1.5 If You need details of those fraud prevention agencies from which the AA may obtain and with which the AA may record information about You or the List of Companies forming the AA Group, please write to the AA's Data Protection Officer at The Automobile Association, Fanum House, Basing View, Basingstoke, Hampshire RG21 4EA.
- 1.6 Where You give the AA information on behalf of someone else, You confirm that You have provided them with the information set out in these provisions and that they have not objected to such use of their personal information. Where You give the AA sensitive data about yourself or another person (such as health details or details of any criminal convictions) You agree (and confirm that the other person has agreed) to the AA's processing such information in the manner set out in these provisions. Please ensure that Your drivers are aware that the AA may provide You details of any or all requests for service made under AA Fleet Advantage Breakdown Cover.

## **AA COMPANY DETAILS**

The Automobile Association Limited is incorporated with limited liability in Jersey number 73356. Registered Office: 22 Grenville Street, St Helier, Jersey JE4 8PX, Channel Islands. It is an insurer of breakdown assistance services cover that is exempt from authorisation under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000. Head Office: Fanum House, Basingstoke, Hampshire RG21 4EA. Branch registered in England and Wales number BR004875.

Acromas Insurance Company Limited is authorised and regulated by the Commissioner of Insurance, Financial Services Commission, Gibraltar, and regulated by the Financial Services Authority, United Kingdom. Acromas Insurance Company Limited is a member of the Association of British Insurers.

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# USEFUL CONTACT INFORMATION (Breakdown Assistance only)

For help following a breakdown in the UK			
Breakdown Assistance:	0870 419 2483		
Email enquiries:	fleetcustomers@theAA.com		
Compliments and complaints:	0870 608 0277 (Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm)		
Follow up enquiries: (after a breakdown is completed)	0870 608 0277 (Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm)		
General breakdown enquiries:	0800 55 11 88 (option 1) (Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm)		
For help following a breakdown in the Republic of Ireland (under discretionary/reciprocal arrangements)			
AA Ireland:	00 800 88 77 66 44		

SMS text messaging is available for use by deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired customers in a breakdown situation by calling 07900 444 999.

Information is available in large print, audio and Braille on request. Please call 0800 262 050 for details. Deaf, hard of hearing or speech-impaired customers who have a textphone can call 0800 32 82 810.

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