

#### Dear Sir/Madam

I am delighted that you have chosen Lark Music to arrange your insurances.

As your insurance broker, we take our responsibility extremely seriously. No one wants to claim on their insurance policy, but if you do, I want you to feel that we have done everything we can to help you through the experience.

If you ever find any part of our service less than first class, please get in touch with me personally.

**Fay Watts** 

Manager – Lark Music

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# Musical instrument insurance

This policy wording, along with the **Schedule**, and any **endorsement** attached form **your** contract of insurance.

This insurance has been specifically designed to give cover for musical instruments and accessories. It is intended to be clear in language and layout but it is important that **you** understand the extent of cover provided by **us** and **your** own obligations in order to receive the full benefit of this insurance.

Please read this policy wording, together with any **endorsements** and **your Schedule**, very carefully. If it is incorrect, return it immediately for alteration.

If you have any questions or concerns about your contract of insurance or the handling of a claim you should, in the first instance, contact Lark Music whose contact details are shown in the **Schedule**.

If **you** are unable to resolve any questions or concerns with Lark Music please refer to the complaints procedure shown in **your Schedule**.

The written authority under the agreement numbers(s) stated on **your Schedule** allows Lark Music to issue this certificate on **our** behalf.

#### **COOLING OFF PERIOD**

You have a 14 day cooling off period from the inception date shown on your Schedule, or the date on which you receive your insurance documents whichever is the later. If you wish to cancel within the cooling off period, providing you have made no claims we will return your premium in full.

# **Definitions**

Amount Insured	The maximum <b>we</b> will pay as shown on <b>your Schedule</b> .
Computer Virus(es)	A corrupting instruction from an unauthorised source that propagates itself via a computer system or network.
Endorsements	Any variation or addition to the terms of this insurance agreed by <b>us</b> in writing.
Excess	The first amount of a claim which <b>you</b> must pay as shown on <b>your Schedule</b> .
Period of Insurance	The length of time for which this policy is in force as shown on <b>your Schedule</b> .
Schedule	The document showing <b>your</b> name, <b>your</b> address, the item(s) insured, the <b>amount insured</b> , and the <b>period of insurance</b> .
Terrorism	An act, including using or threatening to use force or violence, which:
	i. is committed by a person or group of people, whether acting alone or in connection with an organisation or government; and
	ii. is for political, religious, ideological or similar reasons. This includes trying to influence a government or to frighten the public or any section of the public
We/Us/Our	The insurer(s) as shown on <b>your Schedule</b> .
You/Your	The person named as the policy holder on <b>your Schedule</b> .

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### What is covered

In return for payment of the premium shown on **your Schedule**, **we** agree to insure the instrument(s) and accessories specified on **your Schedule** against physical loss or physical damage occurring during the **period of insurance** while anywhere in the world, subject to the terms, conditions and exclusions contained in this policy wording.

We also agree to insure instrument(s) and accessories that you do not own, but that you are legally liable for, for up to 60 days and up to GBP50,000 (or currency equivalent) sum insured.

#### HOW MUCH WE WILL PAY

We will at our option, where it is economical to do so, repair, replace or pay for the lost or damaged insured item(s), limited to the amount specified on your Schedule for each item lost or damaged.

In the event of total physical loss or total physical damage of any item beyond reasonable repair, **we** will pay the full value of that insured item as specified on **your schedule**.

In the event of partial loss of or damage to any insured item, **we** will pay the cost and expense of restoration plus any resulting depreciation but not exceeding the full value of that insured item as specified on **your Schedule**.

In no event will **we** be liable for more than the **amount insured**.

In addition to the above, **we** will also pay the reasonable and necessary additional costs associated with the settlement of **your** claim, such as travel expenses, subject to **our** prior written agreement. **We** will only pay these costs if **we** deem them to be essential in settling **your** claim.

## What is <u>not</u> covered

This insurance does not cover:

- **A.** Any **excess** and/or voluntary **excess** as stated on **your Schedule**.
- **B.** Breakage of strings, reeds or drumheads while the instrument is being played.
- C. Loss of or damage to any insured instrument whilst in or on any motor vehicle which is left unattended unless shown as included on **your Schedule**.
- **D.** Loss, destruction, or damage to, any property whatsoever, or any loss or expenses whatsoever resulting or arising directly or indirectly from:
  - i. computer virus or hoax of a computer virus;
  - ii. erasure, loss, damage or corruption of electronic data (for example files or images) wherever it is stored;
  - **iii.** the deliberate or accidental use of any application, software or program or hoax of such use;
  - **iv.** the inability to use any application, software or program.
- .E. Damage from electrical or mechanical faults in, or breakdown of, the insured item(s)  $\,$
- F. Loss or damage caused by corrosion, rust, dampness, dryness, dust, evaporation, shrinkage, change in colour or finish, chemical action or reaction, moth, vermin, woodworm, wear and tear or any gradually operating cause
- **G.** Damage or deterioration of any insured item caused by cleaning, dyeing, renovation or whilst being worked upon
- **H.** Loss, destruction, or damage to any property whatsoever, or any loss or expenses whatsoever resulting or arising directly or indirectly from:
  - i. ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel
  - ii. the radioactive, toxic, explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear component
  - **iii.** nuclear reaction, nuclear radiation or radioactive contamination.
- Loss or damage as a consequence of earthquake happening outside of the United Kingdom.
- J. Any loss or damage directly or indirectly occasioned by,

happening through or in consequence of war, invasion, acts of foreign enemies, hostilities (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, military or usurped power, or confiscation or nationalisation or requisition or deliberate destruction to property by or under the order of any government or public or local authority.

- **K.** Damage to internal mechanisms including but not limited to valves and transistors unless caused by a single identifiable external event.
- L. Loss or damage caused by aridity, humidity, exposure to light or extreme temperature unless such loss or damage is caused by storm or fire.
- **M.** Loss, destruction, or damage to, any property whatsoever, or any loss or expenses whatsoever resulting or arising directly or indirectly by biological or chemical contamination arising from:

#### i. terrorism

- ii. steps taken to prevent, suppress, control or reduce the consequences of any actual, attempted, threatened, suspected or perceived act of terrorism
- N. Loss or damage to insured item(s) whilst in the course of transit by air or postal or similar transit unless the insured item(s) is securely packed in a suitable protective hard case or container, or has been packed by a professional transit or removal company.
- **O.** Loss or damage to insured item(s) as a result of inherent defects, manufacturing faults or misuse.
- **P.** Loss or damage arising out of deliberate acts by **you** or by anyone acting on **your** behalf.
- **Q.** Loss or damage that is not directly associated with the incident that caused **you** to claim, unless expressly stated in this insurance.
- ${\bf R}.$  Theft by any person or persons to whom the insured item is entrusted.

# General policy conditions

#### **INFORMATION**

In deciding to accept this insurance and in setting the terms and premium, we have relied on the information you have given us. You must take care when answering any questions we ask by ensuring that all information provided is accurate and complete. You must tell us, as soon as possible, if there are any changes to the information you have given us or in the Statement of Fact on your schedule. If you are in any doubt, please contact us or your insurance agent.

When **we** are notified of a change **we** will tell **you** if this affects **your** policy. For example **we** may cancel **your** policy in accordance with the cancellation condition, amend the terms of **your** policy or require **you** to pay more for **your** insurance.

If **you** do not inform **us** about a change it may affect any claim **you** make or could result in **your** insurance being invalid.

#### **MISREPRESENTATION**

If we establish that you deliberately or recklessly provided us with false information we will treat this insurance as if it never existed and decline all claims. If we establish that you were careless in providing us with the information we have relied upon in accepting this insurance and setting its terms and premium we may:

- treat this insurance as if it had never existed and refuse to pay all claims and return the premium paid. We will only do this if we provided you with insurance cover which we would not otherwise have offered;
- amend the terms of your insurance. We may apply these amended terms as if they were already in place if a claim has been adversely impacted by your carelessness;
- charge you more for your insurance or reduce the amount we pay on a claim in the proportion that the premium you have paid bears to the premium we would have charged you;
- cancel your policy in accordance with the cancellation condition.

We or your insurance agent will write to you if we:

- intend to treat this insurance as if it never existed;
- need to amend the terms of your policy; or
- require you to pay more for your insurance.

#### **CANCELLATION**

We reserve the right to cancel this insurance by sending you 30 days notice in writing to your correspondence address shown in the Schedule. We will return any premium you have paid for any period of insurance that is left.

If **you** have not paid the due premium within 30 days of the inception date **we** may cancel this insurance from the inception date by sending **you** 7 days notice in writing to **your** correspondence address shown in the **Schedule**.

If **you** pay the premium by instalments and an instalment remains unpaid after 14 days, **we** may cancel this insurance from the date the last instalment was due by sending **you** 7 days notice to **your** correspondence address shown in the **Schedule**.

You can cancel this insurance at any time by writing to Lark Music. You are entitled to a proportionate refund of premium, but not if you have a claim in the current period of insurance.

#### PROTECTIONS AND MAINTENANCE

#### You must:

 ${\bf A}$ . take all reasonable precautions for the safety of the item(s) insured.

**B.** ensure that all protections provided for the item(s) covered under this insurance are:

- i. maintained in good working order, and
- ii. in full and effective operation whenever the premises where the insured items are located is left unoccupied.

If **you** fail to comply with this condition **we** will not have to pay any related claim.

#### **HIRE CHARGES**

If the item(s) insured suffers from insured physical damage or is lost or stolen **we** will pay up to 20% of the individual **amount insured** for each item or GBP 3,000 (or currency equivalent) whichever is the lower in respect of hire costs.

#### **UNATTENDED VEHICLES**

If unattended vehicle cover is included on **your Schedule**, the following clause will apply.

You must ensure that all items left in an unattended vehicle are kept out of sight and:

- i. all windows, windscreens, doors and other openings of the vehicle(s) are closed, securely locked and properly fastened;
- ii. any security protections on the vehicle are in full and effective operation.

If **you** fail to comply with this condition **we** will not have to pay any related claim.

#### LAW AND JURISDICTION

This contract of insurance shall be governed by the laws of the country shown in the **Schedule** and subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of that country.

#### MINIMUM ADDITIONAL AND RETURN PREMIUMS

There will be no charge or refund of premium if the amount due is equal to or less than £10 (or currency equivalent) excluding Insurance Premium Tax.

#### **CLAIMS CONDITIONS**

What to do when a Loss Occurs You must:

- tell Lark Music as soon as reasonably possible of any incident which may result in a claim under this insurance, and give all necessary assistance we may require. If you think a crime has been committed you must also report this to the Police and obtain a crime reference number
- allow us the right to inspect the damaged item(s) before any disposal of or any repair work begins. We will tell you if we wish to do so.
- prove that the loss or damage has occurred and give us all the co-operation we need.
- have paid the annual premium.

If **you** fail to comply with this condition **we** will not have to pay any related claim.

#### **NEW INSTRUMENTS AND BOWS**

We will allow an increase in the total amounts insured of up to £100,000 or 100% of the policy amount insured (whichever is the lesser) to cover any items **you** acquire during the **period of insurance.** We will only do this if **you** tell **us** about the new possession within 30 days of acquisition and pay any additional premium due.

### INCREASES FOR EXISTING INSTRUMENTS AND BOWS

We will allow an increase of up to 100% of the total amount insured or £100,000, whichever the lesser, for any specified items that **you** have had valued within the last 90 days. **We** will only do this if **you** provide **us** with a valuation from a reputable professional source within 90 days of this being undertaken and pay any additional premium due.

#### **APPLICATION OF AVERAGE**

**You** must ensure that the **amount insured** represents the full value of the item(s) insured. Full value is the current market value. If **you** fail to keep the **amount insured** at full value **we** may reduce the amount **we** pay for each claim in proportion with the level of under insurance. This clause does not apply if the "increases for existing instruments and bows" clause is applicable.

#### **SUBROGATION**

We can take over and deal with, in your name (but at our expense), the defence or settlement of any claim. We can also start proceedings in your name to recover for our benefit the amount of any payment made under this insurance.

#### **FULL PAYMENT**

If we pay the full amount insured for any item(s) insured, we will become the full owners and reserve the right to take possession of such item(s).

#### **RECOVERED INSTRUMENTS**

**You** will have the right to purchase from **us** any instrument or accessory recovered for which the full amount insured has been paid in settlement of a claim at a lesser of:

- i. the amount of the settled claim plus interest from the date of settlement at a relevant prevailing bank base rate plus loss adjustment and recovery expenses;
- ii. the fair market value at the time of recovery.

We will notify you by post at your last known address of the right to purchase the instrument recovered and you will have 60 days from the date of notice to exercise the right to repurchase.

#### **FALSE CLAIMS**

If **you** have tried to deceive **us** by deliberately giving **us** false information or making a fraudulent claim under this policy then:

- we shall be entitled to give you notice of termination of the policy with effect from the date of any fraudulent act or claim or the provision of such false information;
- we shall be entitled to refuse to make any payment under the policy in respect of any claim made or any loss occurring after the date of any fraudulent act or claim or the provision of such false information;
- you must reimburse all payments already made by us relating to claims made or losses occurring after the date of any fraudulent act or claim or the provision of such false information; and
- **we** shall be entitled to retain all premiums paid.

This does not affect your rights in relation to any claim made or loss occurring before the date of any fraudulent act or claim or the provision of such false information.

#### OTHER INSURANCE

We will not pay any claim if any loss or damage covered under this insurance is also covered wholly or in part under any other insurance except in respect of any excess beyond the amount which would have been covered under such other insurance had this insurance not been effected.

#### **SANCTIONS LIMITATION**

No (re)insurer shall be deemed to provide cover and no (re) insurer shall be liable to pay any claim or provide any benefit hereunder to the extent that the provision of such cover, payment of such claim or provision of such benefit would expose that (re)insurer to any sanction, prohibition or restriction under United Nations resolutions or the trade or economic sanctions, laws or regulations of the European Union, United Kingdom or United States of America.

#### **SEVERAL LIABILITY**

The subscribing insurers' obligations under contracts of insurance to which they subscribe are several and not joint and are limited solely to the extent of their individual subscriptions. The subscribing insurers are not responsible for the subscription of any co-subscribing insurer who for any reason does not satisfy all or part of its obligations.

### CONTRACTS (RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES) ACT 1999 CLARIFICATION

A person who is not a party to this contract has no right under the contracts (Rights of Third parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this contract but this does not affect any right or remedy of a third party which exists or is available apart from that act. This clause only applies if the contract is subject to English Law.

### DATA PROTECTION SHORT FORM INFORMATION NOTICE (LAYER 1)

Your personal information notice

#### Applicable to Lloyd's underwriters only

We are the Lloyd's underwriter(s) identified in the contract of insurance and/or in the certificate of insurance.

#### The basics

We collect and use relevant information about **you** to provide **you** with **your** insurance cover or the insurance cover that benefits **you** and to meet our legal obligations.

This information includes details such as **your** name, address and contact details and any other information that we collect about **you** in connection with the insurance cover from which you benefit. This information may include more sensitive details such as information about **your** health and any criminal convictions **you** may have.

In certain circumstances, we may need **your** consent to process certain categories of information about **you** (including sensitive details such as information about **your** health and any criminal convictions **you** may have). Where **we** need **your** consent, **we** will ask **you** for it separately. **You** do not have to give **your** consent and **you** may withdraw **your** consent at any time. However, if **you** do not give **your** consent, or **you** withdraw **your** consent, this may affect our ability to provide the insurance cover from which **you** benefit and may prevent **us** from providing cover for **you** or handling **your** claims.

The way insurance works means that your information may be shared with, and used by, a number of third parties in the insurance sector for example, insurers, agents or brokers, reinsurers, loss adjusters, sub-contractors, regulators, law enforcement agencies, fraud and crime prevention and detection agencies and compulsory insurance databases.

**We** will only disclose **your** personal information in connection with the insurance cover that **we** provide and to the extent required or permitted by law.

#### Other people's details you provide to us

Where **you** provide **us** or your agent or broker with details about other people, **you** must provide this notice to them.

#### Want more details?

For more information about how **we** use your personal information please see **our** full privacy notice(s), which is/ are available online on our website(s) or in other formats on request.

#### Contacting us and your rights

You have rights in relation to the information we hold about you, including the right to access your information. If you wish to exercise your rights, discuss how we use your information or request a copy of our full privacy notice(s), please contact us, or your broker, Lark Music, who will provide you with our contact details.

