



# 中國太平保險(香港)有限公司

China Taiping Insurance (HK) Company Limited

香港北角京華道18號15樓 15/F., 18 King Wah Road, North Point, Hong Kong

Tel: (852) 2815 1551 Fax: (852) 2541 6567 E-mai

E-mail: info@hk.cntaiping.com Website: www.hk.cntaiping.com Customer Service Hotline: (852) 3716 1616

# FIRE INSURANCE POLICY

Please read this Policy carefully upon receipt and promptly request for any necessary amendments

IN CONSIDERATION of the Insured named in the Schedule hereto paying to the Company named in the Schedule the Premium mentioned in the Schedule

THE COMPANY AGREES (subject to the terms exceptions and conditions contained herein or endorsed or otherwise expressed hereon which shall so far as the nature of them respectively will permit be deemed to be conditions precedent to the rights of the Insured to recover hereunder) that if the Property Insured at the Situation described in the Schedule or any part thereof shall suffer any loss destruction or damage (hereinafter referred to as 'Damage') caused by fire, or by lightning, or by explosion of boilers or gas used for domestic purposes only, or by any Extra Peril specified in the Schedule, at any time during the Period of Insurance or of any subsequent period in respect of which the Insured shall have paid and the Company shall have accepted the premium required for the renewal of this Policy, the Company will pay to the Insured the value of the Property Insured at the time of the happening of its loss or destruction or the amount of such damage or at the Company's option reinstate or replace such Property or any part thereof

# PROVIDED THAT the liability of the Company shall in no case exceed:

- (a) in the whole the Total Sum Insured or in respect of any item its Sum Insured at the time of the Damage, or
- (b) if any other Damage shall have occurred during the same period of insurance, the Sum Insured remaining after payment for such Damage unless the Company shall have agreed to reinstate any such Sum Insured.

# **EXCEPTIONS**

Unless otherwise expressly stated in the Policy, this insurance does not cover:

- 1. Damage occasioned by or through or in consequence of, directly or indirectly, any of the following:
  - (a) fire or explosion resulting from earthquake, volcanic eruption or other convulsion of nature;
  - (b) the Property Insured's own spontaneous fermentation or heating;
  - (c) the Property Insured undergoing any process involving the application of heat;
  - (d) burning whether accidental or otherwise of forests, bush, prairie, pampas or jungle, and the clearing of lands by fire;
  - (e) the burning of property by order of any public authority;
  - (f) riot, civil commotion, strikers or locked-out workers;
  - (g) war, invasion, act of foreign enemy, hostilities or warlike operations (whether war be declared or not), civil war;
  - (h) mutiny, military or popular uprising, insurrection, rebellion, revolution, military or usurped power, martial law or state of siege or any of the events or causes which determine the proclamation or maintenance of martial law or state of siege;
  - (i) any nuclear weapons material;
  - ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel, solely for the purpose of this exception combustion shall include any self-sustaining process of nuclear fission;
  - (k) pollution or contamination not resulting from an insured peril;
  - (l) theft during or after the occurrence of a fire;
  - (m) explosion other than of boilers or gas used for domestic purposes only.
- Damage to any electrical machine, apparatus, or any portion of the electrical installation arising from or occasioned by its own over-running, excessive pressure, short circuiting, self heating, arcing or leakage of electricity arising from whatever cause (lightning included);
- 3. Damage to property which at the time of the happening of such Damage is insured by, or would but for the existence of this Policy, be insured by any marine policy or policies, except in respect of any excess beyond the amount which would have been payable under such marine policy or policies had this Policy not been effected;
- 4. goods held in trust or on commission, bullion, unset precious stones, works of art, manuscripts, plans, drawings or designs, patterns, models, moulds, securities, obligations, documents, stamps, coined or paper money, cheques, books of accounts, business books, computer systems records, explosives:
- 5. consequential loss or damage of any kind or description.

# CONDITIONS

## Identification

This Policy and the Schedule (which forms an integral part of the Policy) shall be read together as one contract and words and expressions to which specific meanings have been attached in any part of this Policy or of the Schedule shall bear such specific meanings wherever they may appear.

## 2. Misrepresentation

If there be any material misdescription of any of the Property Insured, or of any building or place in which such property is contained, or any misrepresentation as to any material fact to be known for estimating the risk, or any omission to state such fact, the Company shall not be liable under this Policy so far as it relates to property affected by any such misdescription, misrepresentation or omission.

1910 1/3

## 3. Reasonable Precautions

The Insured shall maintain the Property Insured in a proper state of repair and take all reasonable precautions to prevent Damage thereto.

#### 4. Alterations and Removals

Unless the Insured has obtained the consent of the Company in writing before the occurrence of any Damage, the insurance ceases to attach regarding the Property affected under any of the following circumstances:

- (a) if the trade or manufacture carried on by the Insured be altered, or if any circumstances affecting the Situation insured be changed in such a way as to increase the risk of Damage by any of the Insured Perils;
- (b) if the Situation insured becomes unoccupied and so remains for a period of more than 30 days;
- (c) if the Property Insured is removed from the Situation insured;
- (d) if the interest in the Property Insured passes from the Insured otherwise than by will or operation of law.

#### 5. Cancellation

This Policy may be cancelled at any time:

- (a) by the Insured on notice to that effect being given in writing to the Company, in which case the Company will retain the customary short period rate for the time the Policy has been in force;
- (b) by the Company on 7 days' advance notice to that effect being given in writing to the Insured's last known address, in which case the Company shall be liable to repay on demand a rateable proportion of the premium for the unexpired term from the date of the cancellation.

#### Warranties

Every warranty to which the Property Insured or any item thereof is or may be made subject shall from the time the warranty attaches apply and continue to be in force during the whole currency of this Policy, and non-compliance with any such warranty shall be a bar to any claim in respect of such Property or item, provided that whenever this Policy is renewed a claim in respect of Damage occurring during the renewal period shall not be barred by reason of a warranty not having been complied with at any time before commencement of such period.

# 7. Claims (Action by the Insured)

If any event giving rise to or likely to give rise to a claim under this Policy comes to his knowledge the Insured shall:

- (a) immediately
  - (i) take steps to minimise the Damage and recover any missing property
  - (ii) give notice in writing to the Company
  - (iii) give notice to the Police in the event of deliberate or malicious damage;
- (b) within 30 days or such further time as the Company may in writing allow deliver to the Company
  - a claim in writing for the Damage containing as particular an account as may be reasonably practical of all the several
    articles or items of property Damaged and the amount of Damage thereto respectively, having regard to their value at the
    time of the Damage
  - (ii) particulars of all other insurances if any;
- (c) at all times at his own expense provide to the Company all such information and available documents or proofs regarding
  - (i) the origin and cause of the Damage and the circumstances under which the Damage occurred
  - (ii) any matter touching the liability or the amount of liability of the Company

as may be reasonably required by the Company together with a declaration on oath or in other legal form of the truth of the claim and any matters connected therewith.

# 8. Forfeiture of Benefits

All benefits under this Policy shall be forfeited:

- (a) if any claim made be in any respect fraudulent;
- (b) if any fraudulent means or devices are used by the Insured or any one acting on his behalf to obtain benefit under this Policy.
- (c) if any Damage is caused by the wilful act or with the connivance of the Insured;
- (d) if the Insured or any person acting on his behalf shall hinder or obstruct the Company in the exercise of its rights;
- (e) in respect of any claim made and rejected if an action or suit be not commenced within twelve months after such rejection;
- (f) in respect of any claim where arbitration takes place pursuant to Condition 14 of this Policy and an action or suit be not commenced within twelve months after the making of an arbitration award;
- (g) in respect of any claim after the expiration of twelve months from the happening of the Damage, unless such claim is the subject of pending legal action or arbitration.

# 9. Possession Rights

On the happening of Damage in respect of which a claim is made:

- (a) the Company and any person authorised by the Company may without hereby incurring any liability or diminishing any of the Company's rights under this Policy:
  - (i) enter take or keep possession of the premises where such Damage has occurred;
  - (ii) take possession of or require to be delivered to the Company and Property Insured and deal with such Property for all reasonable purposes and in any reasonable manner;
- (b) no Property may be abandoned to the Company whether taken possession of by the Company or not.

## 10. Option to Reinstate

The Company may at its option, repair or replace the Property Damaged, or any part thereof, instead of paying the amount of the Damage, or may join with any other persons companies or insurers in so doing, but the Company shall not be bound to repair exactly or completely, but only as circumstances permit and in reasonably sufficient manner, and in no case shall the Company be bound to expend more in repair than it would have cost to repair such Property as it was at the time of the occurrence of such Damage, nor more than the Sum Insured thereon.

If the Company so elects to repair or replace any property, the Insured shall at his own expense furnish the Company with such plans specifications measurements quantities and such other particulars as the Company may require, and no acts done or caused to be done by the Company with a view to repair or replace shall be deemed an election by the Company to repair or replace.

If in any case the Company shall be unable to repair or replace the Property Insured because of any law or regulations in force affecting the alignment of streets, or the construction of buildings, or otherwise, the Company shall, in every such case, only be liable to pay such sums as would be required to repair or replace such Property if the same could lawfully be repaired to its former condition.

## 11. Average (Underinsurance)

If at the time of Damage, the Property Insured be collectively of greater value than the sum insured thereon, the Insured shall bear a share of the Damage corresponding directly to the proportion of underinsurance. Every item, if more than one, of the Property Insured shall be separately subject to this Condition.

### 12. Contribution

If at the time of Damage, there be any other insurance effected by or on behalf of the Insured covering any of the Property Damaged, the liability of the Company hereunder shall be limited to its rateable proportion of such Damage.

If any such other insurance is expressed to cover any of the Property Insured, but is subject to any provision whereby it is excluded from ranking concurrently with this Policy either in whole or in part or from contributing rateably to the Damage, the liability of the Company hereunder shall be limited to such proportion of the Damage as the sum hereby insured bears to the value of the Property.

### 13. Subrogation

The Insured shall at the request and at the expense of the Company do and concur in doing and permit to be done all such acts and things as may be necessary or reasonably required by the Company for the purpose of enforcing any rights and remedies or of obtaining relief or indemnity from any other parties, to which the Company shall be or would become entitled or subrogated upon its paying or making good any Damage under this Policy, whether such acts and things shall be or become necessary or required before or after indemnification by the Company.

### 14. Arbitration

If any difference shall arise as to the amount to be paid under this Policy such difference shall be determined by arbitration in accordance with the prevailing Arbitration Ordinance. If the parties fail to agree upon the choice of arbitrators or umpires, then the choice shall be referred to the Chairman for the time being of the Hongkong International Arbitration Centre. It is hereby expressly stipulated that it shall be a condition precedent to any right of action or suit upon this Policy that an arbitration award shall be first obtained.

# 15. About 《Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Ordinance》

Any person or entity who is not a party to this Policy shall have no rights under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Ordinance (Cap 623 of the Laws of Hong Kong) to enforce any terms of this Policy.

# 16. Jurisdiction and Governing Law Clause

This Policy is subject to exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the Hong Kong SAR and is to be construed according to the laws of Hong Kong SAR.



1910 3/3 FIRE INSURANCE POLICY