

# Travel Insurance

## Supplementary Product Disclosure Statement

This is a Supplementary Product Disclosure Statement (**SPDS**), issued by Australian Alliance Insurance Company Limited ABN 11 006 471 709 AFSL No. 235011.

This SPDS supplements the Apia Travel Insurance Product Disclosure Statement and Policy Wording dated 18 July 2006 (the **PDS**) and must be read together with the PDS and any other SPDS we may give you.

The purpose of this SPDS is to:

- provide information regarding your 'cooling off period';
- update information about when we give you personal advice;
- update information about complaints handling;
- include information about the Financial Claims Scheme;
- provide Apia's authorised representative number.

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## Changes to the PDS

1. Insert the following underneath the paragraph titled 'How to use this Product Disclosure Statement and Policy Wording' on the inside of the front cover of the PDS:

### ***"Cooling off period***

*After you take out this insurance or renew your policy for another period of insurance, you have 21 days to consider the information in your Product Disclosure Statement and Policy Wording. This is called the 'cooling off period'. If you decide to cancel your policy during the cooling off period we will refund the unexpired portion of the premium less any non refundable government charges, provided that you have not commenced your journey or made a claim."*

2. Delete the paragraph at the top of page 5 of the PDS in its entirety that starts with the following sentence:

*"You are also entitled to receive a statement of advice whenever we give you any personal advice about the authorised insurance policies."*

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3. Delete the wording on pages 38 and 39 of the PDS under the heading 'How we resolve your complaints' in its entirety and replace with the following:

***“How we will deal with a complaint***

*If you have a complaint about our products or services (even if through one of our service providers) or our complaints handling process, please let us know so that we can help.*

*You can contact us:*

***By phone*** 13 50 50

***In writing*** GPO Box 756

Melbourne

VIC 8060

***By email*** [customerservice@apia.com.au](mailto:customerservice@apia.com.au)

*Please include the full details of your complaint and explain what you would like us to do.*

***In person***

*Come in and talk to us face to face at your local Apia branch.*

*When we receive your complaint, we will consider all the facts and attempt to resolve your complaint by the end of the next business day.*

*If we are not able to resolve the matter to your satisfaction, it will be referred to the relevant team leader or manager, who will review your complaint and contact you with their decision within 5 business days of us receiving your complaint.*

*If you remain dissatisfied the matter will be referred to our Internal Disputes Resolution team (IDR). Our IDR team will review your complaint, and provide you with their final decision within 15 business days of your complaint being referred to them. The contact details for our IDR team are:*

***By phone*** 1300 240 531 (for the cost of a local call)

***By fax*** 1300 316 047

***In writing*** Internal Dispute Resolution

Apia

GPO Box 14180

Melbourne City Mail Centre

Victoria 8001

***By email*** [idr@apia.com.au](mailto:idr@apia.com.au)

*If we require additional information for our assessment or investigation of your complaint, we will agree with you a reasonable alternative timeframe to resolve your complaint.*

*If we are unable to resolve your complaint within 45 days, you may take your complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service (the FOS), even if we are still considering it. The contact details for the FOS are set out below.*

## **What if you are not satisfied with our final IDR decision?**

We expect our procedures will deal fairly and promptly with your complaint. However, if you remain dissatisfied, you may be able to access the services of the FOS. The FOS is an independent external dispute scheme and their service is free to you. Any decision the FOS makes is binding on us, provided you also accept the decision. You do not have to accept their decision and you have the option of seeking remedies elsewhere.

The FOS is available to customers who fall within their terms of reference. The FOS will advise if they can help you.

You can contact FOS:

**By phone:** 1300 780 808 (for the cost of a local call)

**By Fax:** (03) 9613 6399

**By email:** [info@fos.org.au](mailto:info@fos.org.au)

**In writing:** Financial Ombudsman Service  
GPO Box 3  
Melbourne VIC 3001

**By visiting:** [www.fos.org.au](http://www.fos.org.au)

4. Delete the 'Your travel notes' section on page 40 of the PDS and replace it with the following:

### ***“Financial Claims Scheme***

*This policy may be a ‘protected policy’ under the Federal Government’s Financial Claims Scheme (FCS) which is administered by the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA).*

*The FCS only applies in the unlikely event of an insurer becoming insolvent and the Federal Treasurer making a declaration that the FCS will apply to that insurer.*

*The FCS entitles certain persons, who have valid claims connected with certain protected policies issued by that insurer to be paid certain amounts by APRA.*

*Information about the FCS can be obtained from APRA at [www.apra.gov.au](http://www.apra.gov.au) or by calling 1300 55 88 49.”*

5. On the bottom of the back page of the PDS directly after 'ABN 14 099 650 996' add the following:

*“authorised representative number 239591,”*

### **Further information**

If you need more information, or if you have any questions about these changes, please phone us anytime on **13 50 50**. Or alternatively visit our web site [apia.com.au](http://apia.com.au)

### **Who we are**

Insurance is issued by Australian Alliance Insurance Company Limited (AAI) ABN 11 006 471 709 AFSL No. 235011. Australian Pensioners Insurance Agency Pty Limited ABN 14 099 650 996, authorised representative number 239591, acts as agent and authorised representative of AAI.

