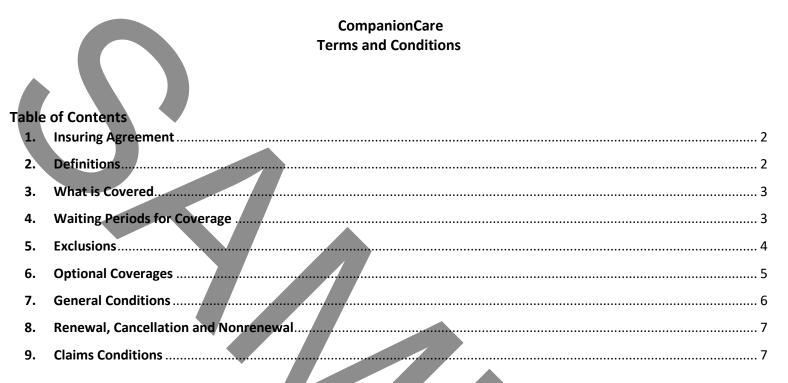
INDEPENDENCE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY



1. Insuring Agreement

In return for receiving **Your** payment of premium when due, **We** will provide insurance for **Your Pet(s)** as detailed in the **Policy** terms and conditions. This agreement also includes the **Declarations Page** and any endorsements.

2. Definitions

Defined terms are in bold print throughout the **Policy** for ease of reading.

- a. Accident means a sudden and unpreventable event that causes physical Injury to Your Pet(s).
- Alternative Therapies means Treatment that does not generally fall within the realm of conventional veterinary medicine as used by the American Association of Rehabilitation Veterinarians (AARV). These therapies include, but are not limited to, holistic, acupuncture and chiropractic Treatment, performed by a Veterinarian or a veterinary staff member under the direct supervision of a Veterinarian.
- c. Annual Limit means the maximum amount We will reimburse You for all Covered Expenses during a Policy year. Your Annual Limit is shown on the Declarations Page.
- d. **Behavioral Problems** means manifestations of a **Pet** exhibiting abnormal responses to stimuli, not caused by an underlying medical condition, including but not limited to, aggression, anxiety and destructive and/or compulsive behavior.
- e. **Bilateral Condition** means a condition or disease that affects both sides of the body (examples: cruciate ligament, cherry eye and lameness).
- f. Coinsurance means Your portion of Covered Expenses after the Deductible is met. Your Coinsurance amount is shown on the Declarations Page.
- g. Complementary Therapies means non-prescription Treatment(s) that are used alongside conventional medical therapies and have been prescribed by a Veterinarian. They are available from health shops, supermarkets, and pharmacies. Most of these Treatments are available for purchase over the counter.
- h. Congenital means an Illness, disease or condition that was present at or dated from the birth of Your Pet(s).
- i. **Coverage Period** means the time period specified on the **Declarations Page** beginning on the effective date and ending on the expiration date. All dates are as of 12:01 AM in the time zone of the **Policyholder**.
- j. **Covered Expenses** means the **Reasonable and Customary** charges for **Medically Necessary Treatments** provided by **Your Veterinarian** during the **Policy** period that are eligible for reimbursement under this **Policy**.
- k. **Declarations Page** means the page(s) sent to **You** with specific information about the **Policy** regarding **Policy** period, coverages, limits of liability and premiums.
- I. Deductible means the annual amount of Covered Expenses that must be paid by You for each Pet before We will pay a claim for Covered Expenses. Your Deductible is shown on the Declarations Page.
- m. **Dietary Indiscretion** describes gastrointestinal upset that occurs when a **Pet** ingests something its body cannot tolerate, including but not limited to, consumption of table scraps, garbage, or spoiled food. **We** consider this an **Illness**.
- Foreign Body Ingestion means the ingestion of a non-edible/non-digestible object(s) originating outside the body and
 ingested into the mouth and through the gastrointestinal tract leading to an obstruction or passing an item(s) on their
 own. We consider this an Accident.
- o. Illness means physical disease, sickness, infection, condition or failure, regardless of cause.
- p. Incident means a specifically identifiable Illness or Injury. Incident may include multiple diagnoses when they are secondary or related. If an Incident is recurring or chronic, it will be considered one (1) Incident.
- q. Inherited means an Illness, disease or condition whose presence is determined by genetic factors.
- r. Injury means physical damage caused by an Accident.
- s. Medically Necessary means medical services, supplies or care provided to treat covered Pet(s) which are:
 - i. consistent with **Symptoms** or diagnoses.
 - ii. accepted as good veterinary practice standards.
 - iii. not for the ease or at the request of the **Pet(s)** owner, **Veterinarian** or other providers.
 - iv. consistent with proper supply or level of services which can be safely provided to the Pet(s).
- t. **Medical Waste Fees** mean the charges associated with the disposal of medical, surgical or chemotherapeutical waste.
- u. Onset means the beginning or first appearance of the signs or Symptoms of an Illness or Injury.
- v. Per Incident Limit is the maximum We will reimburse You for a Covered Expense for each Incident with an Onset date within the Coverage Period. Your Per Incident limit is shown on the Declarations Page. Per incident Limits do not reset at renewal or with changes to coverage.

- w. **Pet(s)** refers to the covered animal(s) listed on the **Declarations Page**.
- x. **Pet Ambulance** means a **Pet** medical transportation service vehicle equipped with stretchers, hydraulic tables, oxygen and a driver and/or veterinary technician.
- y. Pet Original Start Date means the effective date when the Pet was first covered by a Policy administered by Us or Our authorized administrator, unless otherwise stated on the Declarations Page.
- z. **Policy** means the terms and conditions and most recent **Declarations Page** which includes any forms and endorsements that apply .
- aa. Pre-existing Condition means any Illness or Injury which occurred, reoccurred, existed or showed Symptoms, whether or not diagnosed by a Veterinarian, prior to the Pet Original Start Date, Coverage Period or during the Waiting Period. Pre-Existing Conditions are only eligible after three hundred and sixty-five (365) days of continuous coverage and only for Treatment that occurs after the three hundred and sixty-five (365) day Waiting Period.
- bb. **Prescription Medication** means any medicine that is dispensed from a **Veterinarian** pharmacy or with a written prescription from a **Veterinarian** that may only be filled at a pharmacy.
- cc. Preventive Care means Treatment intended for the prevention of an Illness or Injury.
- dd. **Reasonable and Customary Charges** means typical fees or the cost that **Veterinarians** charge in **Your** geographic area based on available veterinary fee information and proprietary data.
- ee. Symptoms means the first departure from normal function or feeling which is noticed by You or Your Veterinarian, reflecting the presence of an Illness or Injury.
- ff. **Treatment** means any test, x-ray, medication, surgery, hospitalization, nursing and care provided or prescribed by a **Veterinarian** to treat a covered **Illness** or **Injury**. **Treatment** must be performed by a licensed **Veterinarian** to be considered for eligibility.
- gg. Veterinarian means a licensed physician for animals and a provider of veterinary medicine. Veterinarian shall not include You or a member of Your immediate family.
- hh. Waiting Period means a period of time specified in the Policy that must pass before some or all of the coverage begins. The Waiting Period applies to the Pet Original Start Date and any coverage increases but does not apply to Your annual renewal, provided You maintain continuous coverage with Us. The Waiting Period begins as of the effective date of the Coverage Period.
- ii. We/Us/Our (also Insurer) means Independence American Insurance Company.
- jj. You/Your (also Policyholder) means the person named in the Declarations Page.

3. What is Covered

After satisfying the annual **Deductible** indicated on the **Declarations Page**, **We** will reimburse **You** in accordance with **Your Policy**, less any limitations and exclusions, the amount after the **Coinsurance** is applied for eligible **Covered Expenses** that are **Medically Necessary** to treat or diagnose a current covered **Incident** showing **Symptoms** during the **Policy** period but after the **Waiting Period**, including but not limited to:

- a. Laboratory tests, x-rays, ultrasound, MRI and CT scans;
- b. Surgery;
- c. Hospitalization;
- d. Prescription Medication that is prescribed by a Veterinarian;
- e. Extractions to permanent broken teeth due to an Accident;
- f. Chemotherapy;
- g. Hydrotherapy and Physical Therapy;
- h. Emergency ground Pet Ambulance transportation in the case of an emergency;
- i. Euthanasia when advised by a Veterinarian to alleviate suffering; and
- j. Pre-existing Conditions after a three hundred and sixty-five (365) day Waiting Period.

Regardless of the number of claims made during the period of insurance, **Our** total liability of insurance for each **Pet** for all **Covered Expenses** will not exceed the amount shown on the **Declarations Page** under the **Annual Limit**, subject to **Coinsurance** and **Deductible** requirements and **Per Incident Limits**.

4. Waiting Periods for Coverage

There is a five (5) day Waiting Period per Pet before We will cover an Illness, except for IVDD (Intervertebral Disc Disease) including

slipped or herniated discs secondary to IVDD, where there is a one hundred and eighty (180)-day Waiting Period.

There is a one (1) day **Waiting Period** per **Pet** before **We** will cover an **Injury**, except for cruciate ligament related condition, where there is a one hundred and eighty (180)-day **Waiting Period**.

There is a three hundred and sixty-five (365) day Waiting Period per Pet before We will cover a Pre-existing Condition.

Waiting Periods are waived for subsequent renewals and add-on coverage from a preceding Policy year provided You maintain an active Policy, with no gap in coverage, annually renewed and continuously in-force.

5. Exclusions

- a. Pre-existing Conditions prior to the Waiting Period specified in section 4.
 Bilateral Conditions, presenting on one (1) side of the body will be considered Pre-existing Conditions. For example, a cruciate tear in the left leg that showed Symptoms prior to the Coverage Period or during a Waiting Period, a subsequent cruciate tear in the right leg will be considered a Pre-existing Condition.
- b. IVDD (Intervertebral Disc Disease) if diagnosed treated or showing **Symptoms** prior to the **Coverage Period** or during a **Waiting Period** and any further episodes of IVDD or any future occurrence of this condition will be considered **Pre-existing Condition**.
- c. Physical examination: including costs and/or fees for telephone consultation unless **You** purchase Optional ExamPlus Coverage.
- d. Treatment that has been pre-paid but not yet performed.
- e. Treatments or diagnostics of an Illness, Injury or service excluded by the Policy as well as secondary complications from such excluded Illness, Injury or service. Secondary complications include but are not limited to an Illness or Injury caused by an uncovered condition or the Treatment of an uncovered condition.
- f. Intentional, neglectful or preventable acts caused by You, a member of Your household or any other person that has care, custody or control of Your Pet(s), that result in Illness or Injury to Your Pet(s).
- g. Elective cosmetic, grooming, bathing and nail clipping, including any Illness or Injury that results from these services.
- h. Fees to diagnose or treat any **Illness** or **Injury** related to breeding, pregnancy, whelping and nursing, unless **You** purchase the optional Breeder Coverage.
- i. Any conditions related to teeth including but not limited to gingivitis, periodontal disease, root canals, caps and crowns, vital pulpotomies, deciduous teeth, diseased and abscessed teeth (except **Medically Necessary** extractions for permanent broken teeth due to an **Accident**). The cost of dental cleaning unless **You** purchase Optional DefenderPlus Coverage.
- j. **Preventive Care** including, but not limited to, wellness exams, preventative **Treatment**, vaccinations, flea control and other parasite prevention, unless **You** purchase Optional Defender or DefenderPlus Coverage.
- k. Spaying or neutering (including preventative sterilization surgery, such as for **Treatment** for cryptorchidism, chimerism or chromosomal abnormalities), unless **You** purchase Optional DefenderPlus Coverage.
- I. All diets, **Pet** food, whether prescribed or not. This does not include a prescription diet used as the sole **Treatment** of a covered condition.
- m. More than one (1) Illness or Injury for the life of a Pet arising from a repetitive and specific activity or similar activity that has previously occurred and displayed the propensity for this activity to happen again and cause Illness or Injury to Your Pet(s). Examples include, but are not limited to, foreign body ingestion, dogfights and toxin ingestion.
- n. Diagnostics or **Treatment** for internal or external parasites, and any secondary **Illness** or **Injury** that may arise including, but not limited to, fleas, ticks, giardia, heartworms, and roundworms.
- o. Air ambulance and non-emergency Pet Ambulance transportation.
- p. Experimental, investigational Treatment, organ and tissue transplants or prosthesis.
- q. Veterinary package discount cost, Sales tax, Medical Waste Fees, veterinary administrative, shipping and postage fees.
- r. The cost of disposing of the remains of Your Pet(s) unless You have purchased the Optional SupportPlus Coverage.
- s. Cost of **Treatment** for any **Illness** or **Injury** arising from **Your** decision to not follow **Your Veterinarian's** advice including, but not limited to, **Illness** for which a vaccine is available.
- t. House calls, travel time, boarding and/or transportation.
- u. Conditions resulting from activities related to training or participating in track or sled racing, guard security, law enforcement (unless authorized in advance by **Us**), working or organized fighting.
- v. Illness or Injury caused by: a) enemy attack by armed forces, with or without a state of war, including actions taken in resisting the attack; b) insurrection; c) rebellion; d) revolution; e) invasion; f) civil war; g) illegal acts; h) usurped power; i) nuclear radioactive contamination; j) pandemic conditions; k) chemical, biological, biochemical or electromagnetic weapon; l) acts of

foreign enemies; m) strikes; n) riots; o) civil commotion; p) epidemic; or q) avian or swine influenza or any mutant variation. This exclusion does not apply to terrorism.

- w. Anal gland expression. This does not include Prescription Medication and surgical Treatment for anal gland infection.
- x. Treatment for Your Pet being obese or overweight, if not due to an underlying medical condition.
- y. **Congenital** and **Inherited** conditions including Elbow Dysplasia, Hip Dysplasia, OCD (Osteochondritis Dissecans) Osteoarthritis, Spondylosis, Luxating Patella, and Diabetes unless you purchase Optional HereditaryPlus Coverage.
- z. Final Expenses for Necropsy, cremation, urns, etc. unless you purchase Optional SupportPlus Coverage.

6. Optional Coverages

If chosen by You, and shown as applicable on the **Declarations Page**, the following optional coverages apply separately to each **Pet** per **Policy** year. Some coverage options may be restricted by **Pets** age at time of sign-up.

Defender DefenderPlus

We will reimburse You, if shown on the Declarations Page, for the Preventive Care listed below that Your Pet(s) receives from a licensed Veterinarian during the Policy period. Benefits will not exceed the Maximum Allowable Limits shown below. Coinsurance and Deductible requirements do not apply to Preventive Benefits.

Our total liability of each Pet for each Policy Year is shown in the Maximum Allowable Limits.

Benefit Schedule

	Maximum Allowable Limits	
Preventive Benefit	Defender	DefenderPlus
Spay/Neuter or Teeth Cleaning*	\$0	\$150
Rabies Vaccine	\$15	\$15
Flea/Tick/Heartworm Prevention	\$80	\$95
Vaccination/Titer	\$30	\$40
Wellness Exam	\$50	\$50
Heartworm test or FELV (Feline Leukemia	\$25	\$30
Virus) screen		
Blood, fecal, parasite exam	\$50	\$70
Microchip	\$20	\$40
Urinalysis or ERD Test (Early Renal Disease	\$15	\$25
Test)		
Deworming	\$20	\$20

*Benefits may be combined or separate up to the maximum allowable limit

SupportPlus

We will reimburse You, if shown on the Declarations Page, for the cost of final expenses for necropsy, cremation and urns upon the death of each Pet covered for such costs incurred after the Waiting Period and during the Coverage Period up to a maximum benefit of three hundred dollars (\$300) subject to the Annual Limit amount. Coinsurance and Deductible provisions do not apply to SupportPlus Coverage.

ExamPlus

We will reimburse You, if shown on the Declarations Page, for the Covered Expenses that occur during the Coverage Period subject to Policy limits and exclusion including, but not limited to, Coinsurance, Deductible and Annual Limit for physical examination;

including costs and/or fees for telephone consultation; to diagnose a current covered **Illness** or **Injury**. This endorsement does not provide coverage for annual wellness office exams.

AlternativePlus

We will reimburse You, if shown on the Declarations Page, after a thirty (30) day Waiting Period, for the Covered Expenses that occur during the Coverage Period subject to Policy limits and exclusions including, but not limited to, Coinsurance, Deductible and Annual Limit, for Alternative and Complementary Therapies and the diagnosis and Treatment of Behavioral Problems. There is an Annual Limit of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for Behavioral Problems.

HereditaryPlus

We will reimburse You, if shown on the Declarations Page, after a thirty (30) day Waiting Period, for the Covered Expenses that occur during the Coverage Period, subject to the Policy limits and exclusions including, but not limited to Coinsurance, Deductible, and the Annual Limit for Congenital and Inherited conditions as well as Elbow Dysplasia, Hip Dysplasia, OCD (Osteochondritis Dissecans) Osteoarthritis, Spondylosis, Luxating Patella and Diabetes. Symptoms present prior to the Coverage Period or during the Waiting Period are considered Pre-Existing.

Breeder Coverage

We will reimburse You, if shown on the Declarations Page, after a thirty (30) day Waiting Period, for any Illness or Injury that occurs during the Coverage Period, subject to Policy limits and exclusions including, but not limited to, Coinsurance, Deductible and Annual Limit, for Treatment related to breeding, pregnancy, giving birth, and nursing including, but not limited to, emergency c-sections, mastitis, metritis, pyometra, uterine/vaginal stricture or prolapse, eclampsia, gestational diabetes, pregnancy-related liver failure, complications from dystocia and complications from retained placenta. This endorsement does not provide coverage for planned c-sections, artificial insemination or other elective, wellness or preventive Treatment related to breeding, pregnancy, giving birth and nursing.

7. General Conditions

- a. This **Policy** only applies to losses that occur and are treated within the United States, its territories and possessions, and Canada. No coverage exists for an **Incident** or **Treatment** that occurs outside of the above territories.
- b. If a claim arises under this **Policy** and there is any other insurance providing **Coverage** to **Your Pet(s)**, this **Policy** is excess insurance. This **Policy** will only apply to any claim costs once all other valid and collectible insurance has been exhausted, and then only for the excess amount not covered by the other insurance, always subject to the terms and conditions of this **Policy**.
- c. We will not insure Your Pet under more than one (1) Pet insurance Policy with Us during any Policy period. If We find that an insured has more than one (1) such Policy with Us, coverage will be provided under the Policy that has been in force for the longer period of time.
- d. Your Pet(s) must receive an annual physical exam, as well as all prescribed vaccines as advised by Your Veterinarian.
- e. You must follow and carry out the Veterinarian's advice and show reasonable care to protect the Pet(s) from harm.
- f. You are the owner of Your Pet(s).
- g. Coverage for Your Pet(s) will cease if ownership is changed.
- h. If any **Policy** wording conflicts with the laws of the state of Florida in which this **Policy** is issued, the wording will be amended to meet Florida laws.
- i. Authorized representatives must be added by the **Policyholder**. Any authorized representative may cancel or change the **Policy**. The action of any authorized representative will be binding.
- j. Continuing coverage for a covered Incident from a preceding Policy is subject to the terms and conditions of this Policy. Per Incident Limits for any covered expense under a previous Policy will not reset at Policy renewal or replacement. In the case of continuous coverage where a Per Incident Limit is lower than the previous term, the lower Per Incident Limit will apply.
- k. If You have elected to opt-in to electronic delivery, You agree to receive this Policy, endorsements and any other notices or Policy-related documentation by electronic mail. Notice will be sent to You advising of Your right to receive all Policy forms, any notices and endorsements via U.S. mail instead of electronic mail at no charge to You. A copy of Your Policy forms are also available on Our customer portal.
- I. Your Policy will become legally binding once **You** activate **Your** 30-Day coverage. In order to continue coverage, **Your** premium (monthly or annual) must be paid before the end of **Your** 30-Day coverage.
- m. This **Policy** will automatically renew unless **We** receive a cancellation or intent to not renew notice from **You** before the renewal date. Premiums may increase at renewal for: **Pet** age, veterinary cost inflation, actuarial changes, address

changes, Annual Limit increase and other Policy parameters as initiated by You.

- If You wish to make changes to Your coverage, please contact Us. Any change is subject to underwriting and Our approval.
 Certain changes may result in a new enrollment, which would terminate Your existing Policy and reset the Waiting Period and the determination of Pre-existing Conditions.
- O. Each named insured may receive a one-time per Policy period promotional offer, which includes, but is not limited to, gift cards, coupons, gift certificates, and items of merchandise. The maximum value of any promotional item will not exceed one hundred (\$100) dollars.
- p. From time to time, at **Our** option and in compliance with all applicable law, **We** may advertise special promotions or offer the policyholder free gifts, including small cash rewards and incentives, for customer referrals or if the person recommended to **Us** purchases a **Policy**.
- q. From time to time, at **Our** option and in compliance with all applicable law, **We** may offer value added benefits or services directly relating to this coverage that may assist in the service of the **Policy**, mitigate loss or provide loss control that aligns with the risks of the **Policy**.
- r. Benefits are not assignable except that You may direct **Us** to pay benefits to the Veterinary provider on whose charges any claim is based. Any such payment that **We** make will fully discharge **Us** to the extent of the payment.
- s. Once the thirty (30) day coverage period is activated, **We** will provide benefits for **Covered Expenses** that occur during the initial thirty (30) day period. Coverage is subject to any **Waiting Periods** and exclusions.
- t. Your Policy will expire thirty (30) days after inception unless premiums are paid. If coverage continues after the thirty (30) day period, You must pay Us the premium, monthly or annual, to continue the Policy. Your Policy will continue as a twelve (12) month Policy expiring twelve (12) months from the inception date of Your Policy. You must comply with all terms and conditions of the twelve (12) month Policy that is issued to You.

8. Renewal, Cancellation and Nonrenewal

- a. We will automatically renew Your Policy at expiration unless You are otherwise notified of nonrenewal.
- b. You may cancel this **Policy** at any time by providing to **Us** advance notice, by telephone, email, or written notice, of cancellation or **Your** intent to not renew.
- c. We may cancel this Policy by mailing or delivering to You written notice of cancellation at least:
 - i. Ten (10) days before the date of cancellation if We cancel for nonpayment of premium.
 - ii. Twenty (20) days before the date of cancellation if **We** cancel for any other reason.
- d. We will mail or deliver Our notice of cancellation or nonrenewal to Your last mailing address known to Us.
- e. Notice of cancellation will state the reason for cancellation and the effective date of cancellation. Insurance coverage under this **Policy** will end on that date.
- f. After the **Policy** has been in effect for more than ninety (90) days, **We** may cancel for only one (1) or more of the following reasons:
 - i. Nonpayment of premium;
 - ii. Material misrepresentation by You;
 - iii. A failure to comply with the underwriting requirements of the Insurer, within 90 days of the date of issue;
 - iv. A substantial change in the risk; or
 - v. Cancellation of all policyholders within a given class of policyholders.
- g. We will mail You written notice within ten (10) days before the date of cancellation if due to nonpayment of premium, or within forty-five (45) days for all other reasons stated above.
- h. We may elect to nonrenew this Policy on the expiration date shown on the Declarations Page. We may do so by mailing to You written notice, stating the reason for nonrenewal, at least forty-five (45) days prior to the expiration date of Your Policy.
- i. If notice of cancellation or nonrenewal is mailed, proof of mailing will be sufficient proof of notice.
- j. Upon cancellation, **We** will compute any refund on a daily pro-rata basis.
- k. We may change the premium, **Coinsurance** amounts, annual **Deductibles** and **Policy** terms and conditions at renewal. **You** will be notified of all changes in writing at least forty-five (45) days before the renewal date. We will provide You with a renewal notice even if there are no changes to Your Policy or premium amount.
- I. If **You** intentionally misrepresent or conceal any material fact that **We** rely on to issue or administer coverage, **We** may cancel **Your Policy** effective the date of discovery of the germane misrepresentation.

9. Claims Conditions

a. In the event **You** incur a loss **You** must notify **Us** by providing the following:

- A completed claim form within one hundred and eighty (180) calendar days, or as soon as practicable, of the date of **Treatment** or veterinary services or date of receipt furnished to **You** in connection for such **Treatment** or veterinary services.
- ii. Invoices from Your treating Veterinarian listing the services performed, products provided and the itemized charges for Treatment, including packages and/or discounts.
- iii. A payment receipt when submitting a handwritten invoice. If payment receipt is not provided the invoice will be verified with **Your Veterinarian** prior to claim processing.
- b. We reserve the right to ask for information from any Veterinarian that has ever seen Your Pet(s) to assess its health.
- c. We, at Our expense, have the right to have any covered Pet(s) examined by a Veterinarian of Our choice as often as reasonably necessary while a claim is pending.
- d. If **You** disagree with the decision made by **Us**, **You** have the right to an appeal. Any claim submitted for reconsideration must be submitted within sixty (60) days, or as soon as reasonably practicable, of the decision and must be in writing on a Claims Redetermination Request Form which is available from **Us**. If the appeal is regarding a disagreement over medical facts, rather than **Policy** coverage or terms, **We** may, at **Our** own discretion, consult with an impartial **Veterinarian** selected by **Us**, who is independent, not controlled by **Us**, and not involved in the handling of **Your** claim, to conduct a review. Any such redetermination by the impartial **Veterinarian** will be binding on **Us**.
- e. If **We** pay a claim contrary to this **Policy's** terms and conditions, that payment does not waive **Our** rights to apply those terms and conditions to any paid or any future claim. **We** also have the right to stop payment or recover from **You** any claim amount paid incorrectly.
- f. If **You** or anyone acting on **Your** behalf submits a fraudulent claim, **We** may deny any current or future claim and cancel **Your Policy**.
- g. No action can be taken against Us unless You have complied with all of the terms and conditions of this Policy, and ninetyone (91) days has elapsed after proof of loss is filed and the amount of loss is determined as provided in this Policy. You will have the amount of time prescribed by applicable law from the date the claim is denied to take legal action against Us with respect to recovery of a claim under this Policy.
- h. It is hereby mutually agreed that any dispute or difference of agreement arising between **Us** and the **Policyholder** with respect to this agreement may be submitted to arbitration under rules of the American Arbitration Association (AAA). Any arbitration proceedings will be conducted in Florida.
- i. You must cooperate with Us in the investigation or settlement of any claim.
- j. Any claim for an **Illness** or **Injury** where a final diagnosis has not been made will be pended as ineligible until **We** receive written documentation from **Your Veterinarian** with the definitive diagnosis.
- k. In any case in which a person and an insurer have agreed in writing to the settlement of a claim, the insurer shall tender payment according to the terms of the agreement no later than twenty (20) days after such a settlement is reached. The tender of payment may be conditioned upon execution by such person of a release mutually agreeable to the insurer and the claimant, but if the payment is not tendered within twenty (20) days, or such date as the agreement may provide, it shall bear interest at a rate of twelve (12) percent per year from the date of the agreement; however, if the tender of payment is conditioned upon the execution of a release, the interest shall not begin to accrue until the executed release is tendered to the insurer.
- I. Every judgment or decree for the recovery of money entered in any of the courts of Florida against any authorized Insurer shall be fully satisfied within sixty (60) days from and after the entry thereof or, in the case of an appeal from such judgment or decree, within sixty (60) days from and after the affirmance of the same by the appellate court. If the judgment or decree is not as required, and proof of such failure to satisfy is made by filing with the office a certified transcript or the docket of the judgment or decree together with a certificate by the clerk of the court wherein the judgment or decree was entered that judgment or decree remains unsatisfied, in whole or in part, after the time aforesaid, the office shall forthwith revoke the Insurer's certificate of authority until the judgment or decree is wholly paid and satisfied and proof thereof filed with the office under the official certificate of the clerk of the court wherein the judgment was recovered, showing that the same is satisfied of record, and until the expenses and fees incurred in the case are also paid by the Insurer.

For information or questions regarding Your Policy or coverage and for assistance in resolving complaints, please contact:

PetPartners, Inc.

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The Company has caused this **Policy** to be executed, attested and countersigned by an authorized representative of the Company.

