

PLEASE READ THIS ENDORSEMENT CAREFULLY AS IT CHANGES YOUR POLICY.

UNINSURED MOTORISTS COVERAGE – RHODE ISLAND

PART C – UNINSURED MOTORISTS COVERAGE

Part **C** is replaced by the following:

INSURING AGREEMENT

A. We will pay compensatory damages which an "insured" is legally entitled to recover from the owner or operator of an "uninsured motor vehicle" because of "bodily injury":

1. Sustained by an "insured"; and
2. Caused by an accident.

The owner's or operator's liability for these damages must arise out of the ownership, maintenance or use of the "uninsured motor vehicle".

Any judgment for damages arising out of a suit brought without our written consent is not binding on us.

B. "Insured" as used in this Part means:

1. You or any "family member".
2. Any other person "occupying" "your covered auto".
3. Any person for damages that person is entitled to recover because of "bodily injury" to which this coverage applies sustained by a person described in **1.** or **2.** above.

C. "Uninsured motor vehicle" means a land motor vehicle or trailer of any type:

1. To which no bodily injury liability bond or policy applies at the time of the accident.
2. To which a bodily injury liability bond or policy applies at the time of the accident but the amount paid for "bodily injury" under that bond or policy to an "insured" is not enough to pay the full amount the "insured" is legally entitled to recover as damages.
3. Which is a vehicle whose operator or owner cannot be identified and which hits or which causes an accident resulting in "bodily injury" without hitting:
 - a. You or any "family member";
 - b. A vehicle which you or any "family member" is "occupying"; or
 - c. "Your covered auto".

If there is no physical contact with the vehicle causing the accident, the "insured" must prove by a fair preponderance of evidence that their injuries resulted from the negligence of an unidentified motorist.

4. To which a bodily injury liability bond or policy applies at the time of the accident but the bonding or insuring company:
 - a. Denies coverage; or
 - b. Is or becomes insolvent.

However, "uninsured motor vehicle" does not include any vehicle or equipment:

1. Owned by or furnished or available for the regular use of you or any "family member" unless it is a "your covered auto" to which Part **A** of the Policy applies and liability coverage is excluded for damages sustained in the accident.
2. Owned or operated by a self-insurer under any applicable motor vehicle law, except a self-insurer which is or becomes insolvent.
3. Operated on rails or crawler treads.
4. While located for use as a residence or premises.

EXCLUSIONS

- A. We do not provide Uninsured Motorists Coverage for "bodily injury" sustained by any "insured":
1. While "occupying", or when struck by, any motor vehicle owned by that "insured" which is not insured for this coverage.
 2. If that "insured" or the legal representative settles the "bodily injury" claim and such settlement prejudices our right to recover payment. However, this exclusion (A.2.) does not apply to Paragraph 2. of the definition of "uninsured motor vehicle".
 3. While "occupying" "your covered auto" when it is being used as a public or livery conveyance. This exclusion (A.3.) does not apply to a share-the-expense car pool.
 4. Using a vehicle without a reasonable belief that that "insured" is entitled to do so. This exclusion (A.4.) does not apply to a "family member" using "your covered auto" which is owned by you.
- B. This coverage shall not apply directly or indirectly to benefit any insurer or self-insurer under any of the following or similar law:
1. Workers' compensation law; or
 2. Disability benefits law.
- C. We do not provide Uninsured Motorists Coverage for punitive or exemplary damages.

LIMIT OF LIABILITY

- A. The Limit Of Liability shown in the Declarations for each person for Uninsured Motorists Coverage is our maximum limit of liability for all damages, including damages for care, loss of services or death, arising out of "bodily injury" sustained by any one person in any one accident. Subject to this limit for each person, the Limit Of Liability shown in the Declarations for each accident for Uninsured Motorists Coverage is our maximum limit of liability for all damages for "bodily injury" resulting from any one accident.

This is the most we will pay regardless of the number of:

1. "Insureds";
 2. Claims made; or
 3. Vehicles involved in the accident.
- B. No one will be entitled to receive duplicate payments for the same elements of loss under this coverage and Part **A** or Part **B** of this Policy.
- C. We will not make a duplicate payment under this coverage for any element of loss for which payment has been made by or on behalf of persons or organizations who may be legally responsible.
- D. We will not pay for any element of loss if a person is entitled to receive payment for the same element of loss under any of the following or similar law:
1. Workers' compensation law; or
 2. Disability benefits law.
- E. With respect to coverage under Paragraph 2. of the definition of "uninsured motor vehicle", we will reduce the "insured's" total damages by any amount available to that "insured", under any bodily injury liability bonds or policies applicable to the "uninsured motor vehicle", that such "insured" did not recover as a result of a settlement between that "insured" and the insurer of an "uninsured motor vehicle". However, any reduction of the "insured's" total damages will not reduce the limit of liability for this coverage.
- This paragraph (E.) shall not apply if we advance payment to the "insured" in an amount equal to the tentative settlement with the insurer of the "uninsured motor vehicle".

OTHER INSURANCE

If there is other applicable insurance similar to the insurance provided under this Part of the Policy, we will pay only our share of the loss. Our share is the proportion that our limit of liability bears to the total of all applicable limits. However, any insurance we provide with respect to a vehicle you do not own, including any vehicle while used as a temporary substitute for "your covered auto", shall be excess over any other collectible insurance.

ARBITRATION

- A. If we and an "insured" do not agree:
1. Whether that "insured" is legally entitled to recover damages; or
 2. As to the amount of damages which are recoverable by that "insured";
- from the owner or operator of an "uninsured motor vehicle", then the matter may be arbitrated. However, disputes concerning coverage under this Part may not be arbitrated.
- Either party may make a written demand for arbitration. Arbitration may be enforced at the option of the "insured". In this event, each party will select an arbitrator. The two arbitrators will select a third. If they cannot agree within 30 days, either may request that selection be made by a judge of a court having jurisdiction.
- B. Each party will:
1. Pay the expenses it incurs; and
 2. Bear the expenses of the third arbitrator equally.
- C. Unless both parties agree otherwise, arbitration will take place in the county in which the "insured" lives. Local rules of law as to procedure and evidence will apply. A decision agreed to by at least two of the arbitrators will be binding as to:
1. Whether the "insured" is legally entitled to recover damages; and
 2. The amount of damages.

ADDITIONAL DUTY

A person seeking coverage under Paragraph 2. of the definition of "uninsured motor vehicle" must also promptly notify us in writing of a tentative settlement between the "insured" and the insurer of the "uninsured motor vehicle" and allow us 30 days to advance payment to that "insured" in an amount equal to the tentative settlement to preserve our rights against the insurer, owner or operator of such "uninsured motor vehicle".

PART F – GENERAL PROVISIONS

Part F is amended as follows:

- A. The following is added to the **Our Right To Recover Payment** Provision:
1. Our rights do not apply under Paragraph A. with respect to Paragraph 2. of the definition of "uninsured motor vehicle" if we:
 - a. Have been given prompt written notice of a tentative settlement between an "insured" and the insurer of an "uninsured motor vehicle"; and
 - b. Fail to advance payment to the "insured" in an amount equal to the tentative settlement within 30 days after receipt of notification.

If we advance payment to the "insured" in an amount equal to the tentative settlement within 30 days after receipt of notification:

- a. That payment will be separate from any amount the "insured" is entitled to recover under the provisions of Uninsured Motorists Coverage; and
 - b. We also have a right to recover the advanced payment.
2. Paragraph B. does not apply to Uninsured Motorists Coverage.
- B. The following is added to the **Two Or More Auto Policies** Provision:
1. This provision does not apply to Uninsured Motorists Coverage.
 2. No one will be entitled to receive duplicate payments for the same elements of loss under Uninsured Motorists Coverage.