

## Financial Services Guide

The **Financial Services Guide ('FSG')** provides information on key matters governing the relationship between you and Quantum (Quantum Underwriting Agencies Pty Ltd) prior to you receiving financial services and advice from us.

This FSG explains the services we can offer to you and the types of products we offer as authorised by our Australian Financial Services Licence (AFSL). It also explains how we (and other related persons) are remunerated for these services and includes details of our internal and external complaints handling procedures and how you can access them. Key information is set out in answer to the questions below. Should you require additional information or clarification, please ask us.

As a retail client you may wish to obtain financial product advice. We provide general advice only, meaning that when we provide advice we have not considered your objectives, financial situation or needs. General advice is not personal advice. We are unable to give you personal advice and, should you feel you need this, we would recommend you do find an insurance broker to advise you.

### Product disclosure statement

If we offer to arrange the issue of an insurance policy to you, we will also provide you with, or pass on to you, a product disclosure statement (PDS), unless you already have an up to date PDS. The PDS should be read in conjunction with the applicable Policy Wording for the product in question. Together they have been prepared to assist you in understanding the policy and making an informed choice about your insurance requirements.

### Who is my Adviser?

Your adviser is:

Quantum Underwriting Agencies Pty Ltd (Quantum).

Quantum is a Corporate Authorised Representative no: 328372 of Quantum Insurance Holdings Pty Ltd, Australian Financial Services Licence no: 541134.

### From when does this FSG apply?

This FSG applies from 25 October 2020 and remains valid unless a further FSG is issued to replace it. We may give you a supplementary FSG. It will not replace this FSG but will cover services not covered by this FSG.

### How can I instruct you?

You can contact us to give us instructions by post, phone, or email on the contact numbers or details mentioned on page 6 of this FSG.

### Who is responsible for the financial services provided?

Quantum Insurance Holdings Pty Ltd holds a current Australian Financial Services Licence no: 451134 and is responsible for the advice provided by its Representatives. Quantum Insurance Holdings Pty Ltd as the Financial Services Licensee authorises the distribution of this FSG.

### What kinds of financial services are you authorised to provide to me and what kinds of financial product/s do those services relate to?

Quantum Insurance Holdings Pty Ltd is authorised to advise, deal and issue general insurance products to retail and wholesale clients.

Quantum is authorised by the Licensee to provide advice and place cover for general insurance products.

**Will you give me advice that is suitable to my needs and financial circumstances?**

We provide general advice only, meaning that when we provide advice we have not considered your objectives, financial situation or needs. General advice is not personal advice. We are unable to give you personal advice. We will only ask for and take into account relevant information when assessing your application for insurance cover. In some cases we will not ask for any of this information.

**Material changes**

You must also notify your insurer of any significant changes which occur during the period of insurance. If you do not, your insurances may be inadequate to fully cover you, or you may void your insurance cover by breaching your duty of disclosure.

**What information do you maintain in my file and can I examine my file?**

We maintain a record of your personal profile, including details of insurance policies that we arrange or issue for you. We may also maintain records of any recommendations or advice given to you. We will retain this FSG and any other FSG given to you as well as any PDS that we give or pass on to you for the period required by law.

We are committed to implementing and promoting a privacy policy, which will ensure the privacy and security of your personal information. A copy of our privacy policy is available on request. A copy is also available on our website, [www.qua.net.au](http://www.qua.net.au). If you wish to look at your file please ask us. We will make arrangements for you to do so.

**How will I pay for the services provided?**

For each insurance product the insurer will charge a premium that includes any relevant taxes, charges and levies. We often receive a payment based on a percentage of this premium (excluding relevant taxes, charges and levies) called commission, which is paid to us by the insurers. However, in some cases we will also charge you a fee including GST. These will all be shown on the invoice that we send you. You can choose to pay by any of the payment methods set out in the invoice. You are required to pay us within the time set out on the invoice.

If there is a refund of premium owed to you as a result of a cancellation or alteration to a policy, we will retain any fee we have charged you. We may also retain commission depending on our arrangements with the insurer.

When you pay us your premium it will be banked into our trust account. We retain the commission from the premium you pay us and remit the balance to the insurer in accordance with our arrangements with the insurer. We will earn interest on the premium while it is in our trust account or we may invest the premium and earn a return. We will retain any interest or return on investment earned on the premium.

**How are any commissions, fees or other benefits calculated for providing the financial services?**

Our commission will be calculated based on the following formula:

$$X = Y\% \times P$$

In this formula:

X = our commission

Y% = the percentage commission paid to us by the insurer. Our commission varies between 0 and 35%.

P = the amount you pay for any insurance policy (less any government fees or charges included in that amount).

Any fees that we charge you will be based upon a flat fee ranging from of \$0 to \$5000 (GST inclusive) for every transaction or a % fee no greater than 20% of the total premium on advice to you the client.

We do not often pay any commissions, fees or benefits to others who refer you to us or refer us to an insurer. If we do, we will pay commissions to those people out of our commission or fees (not in addition to those amounts), in the range of 0 to 20 % of our commission or fees. Our employees who assist you with your insurance needs will be paid a market salary and may receive an incentive bonus for new business. The incentive bonus received by staff will range between 0% and 10% of the commission for each product arranged with an insurer, during the first twelve months of insurance.

If we give you personal advice, we will inform you of any fees, commission or other payments we, our associates or anyone referring you to us (or us to any insurer) will receive in relation to the policies that are the subject of the advice.

**Do we earn any other commissions or fees?**

If we arrange premium funding for you we may be paid a commission by the premium funder. We may also charge you a fee (or both). The commission that we are paid by the premium funder is usually calculated as a percentage of your insurance premium (including government fees or charges). If you instruct us to arrange or issue a product, this is when we become entitled to the commission.

Our commission rates for premium funding are in the range of 0% to 2% of funded premium. When we arrange premium funding for you, you can ask us what commission rates we are paid for that funding arrangement compared to the other arrangements that were available to you. The amount of our commission and any fee that we charge will set out in the premium funding contract.

We may also receive a Contingent or Profit Commission payable by the Underwriters. Payment is contingent on whether there is an actual net annual profit on the insurance pool after deduction of claims and underwriter expenses.

**What Other Benefits Are Received?**

Quantum and its Representatives may from time to time receive non-cash benefits with a cash value less than \$300. Details of benefits between \$100 and \$300 will be maintained on a register. These benefits will normally be one off and will not be received from a product provider on a regular basis

You have a right to request for further information in relation to the remuneration, the range of amounts or rates of remuneration, and soft dollar benefits received by the licensee and/or representative.

**Do any relationships exist which might influence the service or advice I receive?**

Quantum is authorised to quote, bind and issue Certificates of Insurance under a Binding Authority Agreement (Binder) granted to Quantum Underwriting Agencies Pty Ltd by Certain Underwriters at Lloyd's. When we act under a binder or agency we will be acting as the agent of the insurer. This means that we represent and act for the insurer, not for you, when we arrange insurance or deal with claims under a binder arrangement. You will always be told when this is the case.

As a Steadfast Network Broker Quantum Insurance Holdings Pty Ltd has access to member services including model operating and compliance tools, procedures, manuals and training, legal, technical, banking and recruitment advice and assistance, group insurance arrangements, product comparison and placement support, claims support and group purchasing arrangements. These member services are either funded by Steadfast, subsidised by Steadfast or available exclusively to Steadfast Network Brokers for a fee.

Kalin Insurance Services Pty Ltd is an Authorised Representative (CAR No 1274720) of Quantum Insurance Holdings and is a General Insurance Broker. Quantum Underwriting Agencies Pty Ltd is an insurance provider that Kalin deals with regularly.

The shareholdings of Quantum Underwriting Agencies Pty Ltd and Kalin Insurance Services Pty Ltd include shares held by certain entities, controlled by the individual directors of Quantum Insurance Holdings Pty Ltd. These entities will receive a share of any profit distributed to shareholders

**Electronic Delivery of Disclosure Notices.**

Please note that where possible we prefer to provide all correspondence and disclosure notices (including Financial Services Guides and Product Disclosure Statements) to you electronically, via email or links to websites etc. If you have provided your email address to us we will typically use that email address for all correspondence and disclosure notices.

Should you not wish to be sent disclosure documents electronically please advise us and we will update our records accordingly.

**What should I do if I have a complaint?**

We take any and all complaints seriously and have established internal dispute resolution procedures to ensure all complaints are handled fairly, honestly and in a timely manner in accordance with the General Insurance Code of Practice.

The Code sets out a two-stage process.

**Stage One**

We will respond to your Complaint within 15 business days of the date of receipt of your Complaint, provided we have all necessary information and have completed any investigation required.

If we cannot respond within 15 business days because we do not have all necessary information, or we have not completed our investigation:

- a. We will let you know as soon as reasonably practicable within the 15-business-day timeframe and agree a reasonable alternative timetable with you. If we cannot reach an agreement with you on an alternative timetable, we will advise you of your right to take your Complaint to Stage Two of the Complaints process; and
- b. We will keep you informed about the progress of our response at least every ten business days, unless you agree otherwise.

We will respond to your Complaint in writing and tell you:

- a. Our decision in relation to your Complaint;
- b. The reasons for our decision;
- c. Your right to take your Complaint to Stage Two if our decision at Stage One does not resolve your Complaint to your satisfaction.

If you wish to make a complaint, please contact:

The Complaints Officer  
Quantum Underwriting Agencies Pty Ltd  
Unit 2 10 Cassowary Bend  
Eaton  
WA 6232

Phone: (08) 9724 1555  
Email: [complaints@qua.net.au](mailto:complaints@qua.net.au)

**Note: If at any time during Stage One you are dissatisfied with the way we are handling your complaint, you may elevate the Complaint to Stage Two**

## **Stage Two – Review by Lloyd’s Australia**

If our Stage One decision does not resolve your Complaint to your satisfaction or if you are unhappy with the way we are handling your Complaint, you may take it to Stage Two. You can do this at any time during Stage 1.

If you wish to take your Complaint to Stage Two, you should contact:

Lloyd’s Australia Limited  
Level 9, 1 O’Connell Street  
Sydney NSW 2000  
**Telephone: (02) 8298 0783**

**Email: [ldraustralia@lloyds.com](mailto:ldraustralia@lloyds.com)**

Where your Complaint is eligible for referral to the Australian Financial Complaints Authority (AFCA), your Complaint will generally be reviewed by a person at Lloyd’s Australia with appropriate authority to deal with your dispute. Otherwise, your matter will be referred to the Complaints Team at Lloyd’s based in the UK.

Your Complaint will be acknowledged in writing within 5 business days of receipt, and you will be kept informed of the progress of our review of your Complaint at least every 10 business days.

## **External Dispute Resolution**

If your Complaint is not resolved in a manner satisfactory to you or we do not resolve your complaint within 45 calendar days of receiving it at Stage 1, you may refer the matter to AFCA.

AFCA can be contacted by post GPO Box 3, Melbourne VIC 3001, phone 1800 931 678 or email [info@afca.org.au](mailto:info@afca.org.au). More information can be found on their website [www.afca.org.au](http://www.afca.org.au)

## **What arrangements do you have in place to compensate clients for losses?**

Quantum Insurance Holdings Pty Ltd confirms that it holds Professional Indemnity Insurance in accordance with s.912B of the *Corporations Act 2001* (as amended). The Professional Indemnity Insurance extends to indemnify Quantum and its employees (past, present and former employees), subject to its terms and conditions, up to the Limit of Indemnity in respect of the authorisations and obligations under the Australian Financial Services Licence of Quantum Insurance Holdings Pty Ltd.

## **Conflicts of Interest**

For Retail Clients receiving Personal Advice, details of relationships that impact the advice will be included in any SOA or invoice documentation we send you. All material conflicts that impact our advice, that are not mentioned in this FSG, will be advised to you on the invoices related to that advice.

## **Any questions?**

If you have any further questions about the financial services Quantum provides, please contact us. Please retain this document for your reference and any future dealings with us.



**Contact Details:**

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