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Policy terms and conditions Mobile Essential

Introduction

Tulip Assist gadget insurance policies are underwritten by Tulip Assist Insurance Limited ('the Company') which is an insurance company authorised and regulated by the Malta Financial Services Authority ('MFSA') in Malta and regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland for conduct of business rules. This policy is regulated by the Consumer Protection Code 2012 which offers protection to consumers. The Code can be found on the Central Bank's website <u>www.centralbank.ie</u>. For questions about your insurance, the premium collection, or a claim settlement, please contact the Tulip Assist customer service (see Chapter 13).

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Terms and definitions

It's important to us that you fully understand the policy. For this reason, we have *italicized* important and difficult terms, and included '**Good to know'** headings in the policy. These *italicized* terms are explained further in chapter 14.



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Chapter 1 – What do we expect from you?

You are expected to take all necessary precautions to prevent any loss or damage to your device.

We also expect you to report damage to your device as soon as reasonably possible or at latest within 48 hours after the damage occurs, and if possible, during the term of your insurance (see chapter 6).

You must take reasonable care to provide us with complete and accurate answers to questions we ask you at the application stage and throughout your policy. You must inform us of any changes to your answers as soon as reasonably possible. If your answers are inaccurate or incomplete, this may result in your policy being cancelled and, in the event of a claim, your claim being rejected or the amount of your claim being reduced.

Chapter 2 – What is covered by the insurance?

2.1 – What is covered?

Your 'Mobile Essential insurance policy covers the following type of damage:

- a. Damage caused by falls.
- b. Damage caused by knocks or bumps.
- c. Humidity damage.
- d. Damage caused by fire or lightning strike.
- e. Damage caused by frost.

2.2 – What is not covered?

You will not receive compensation for damage to your device if you:

- a. Failed to take all the necessary precautions to take the best possible care of your device.
- b. What is meant by taking 'necessary precautions' does not include leaving your device *unattended* in a public space or leaving it visible in a means of transport.
- c. Stored your device in an *unsafe* place.
- d. Stored your device in a means of transport that wasn't locked.
- e. Acted in violation of the manual of your device.

Or if it is a case of:

- f. Loss of your device.
- g. Damage to your device caused intentionally, through negligence or recklessness.
- h. Monthly contract fees.
- i. Damage to accessories or other attachments of your device.
- j. Loss of data as a result of damage to your device.
- k. Normal wear and tear, (factory) warranty, gradual degradation of parts, depreciation, *cosmetic damage*, insufficient maintenance, or an inherent defect.
- 1. Damage occurred during repair, cleaning or processing by another party or person which was not assigned and/or contracted by Tulip Assist.
- m. Damage caused by a mail shipment.
- n. Damage caused by misuse, experimentation, or viruses.
- o. Damage that occurred before taking out the insurance.
- p. Damage you report after the end of your insurance term.



- q. Damage caused by natural disasters, armed conflicts, or use of weapons.
- r. Consequential loss or the damage has been reimbursed by another insurance.
- s. Damage that occurred during the letting or loan of your device, or as result of a confiscation.
- t. Fraud or deception.

Chapter 3 – Who is covered?

3.1 – Acceptance

Anyone over the age of 18 who has a permanent address or residence in Ireland and purchases a device from a connected Reseller can take out this insurance. Legal entities with a permanent seat in Ireland can take out this insurance as well.

3.2 – Rejection

We are not obliged to accept an insurance application and we may therefore decide to reject the application in certain situations, such as:

- i. If there is a negative personal or credit registration check at, for example, the Central Credit Register (CCR) of the Central Bank of Ireland or another credit rating agency; and/or
- ii. If we rejected or terminated an insurance of yours in the past.

Chapter 4 – Where are you covered?

This insurance offers world-wide coverage for damage to your device.

Chapter 5 – Start, length, and end

5.1 – Start

Once we have accepted your insurance application, you will receive a confirmation email. The confirmation email includes the policy terms and conditions, the policy sheet, and an information sheet. You can find the start date of your insurance on the policy sheet.

5.2 – Length

Your insurance runs for a minimum period of 30 days and a maximum of 5 years.

Your policy is a rolling monthly policy and is only in force if the monthly premium continues to be paid. Cover can continue up to a maximum of 5 years. There will be no option to renew cover when the 5-year period term expires. We will contact you 20 days in advance of the expiry of your policy term to remind you that your cover will be coming to an end.

5.3 – End

You may cancel the 'Mobile Essential' insurance at any time. Cancel your insurance online by logging into your account via <u>www.tulipassist.ie/login</u>. Go to the tab 'My Policies' and click on 'Terminate Policy' to cancel your 'Mobile Essential' insurance.

You have a right to withdraw from your policy within 14 days of:

- a) the starting date of cover or;
- b) the date on which you receive the full terms and conditions of your policy.



Within the 14-day cooling off period you can cancel your policy at any time by logging into your account via <u>www.tulipassist.ie/login</u>. During the cooling-off period you will not be charged any premium.

5.3.1 Cancellation After the 14 Day Period

After the cooling-off period, we work within a 30-day notice period. You can cancel your insurance by logging into your account via <u>www.tulipassist.ie/login</u>. You will not be charged any premium for the first 3 months of your policy term (which includes the duration of the cooling-off period).

After the 3-month period, if you decide to cancel your insurance by giving a 30-day notice we will return to you the amount of premium in respect of any unexpired period of insurance.

We will terminate your insurance in case of:

- a. Claims adding up to a total of twice the original purchase value of your device
- b. Reaching the maximum insurance length
- c. Not paying the premium on time (see chapter 9.1)
- d. Non-receipt of required documentation
- e. Transferred ownership of your device to someone else
- f. Moving outside of Ireland
- g. Death
- h. Fraud, deception, or providing false information when taking out the insurance
- i. Use of your device for criminal activities

Good to know: If any claim is in any respect fraudulent, we will cancel your policy and you will <u>not</u> be entitled to premium refunds. We will always report *fraud* to the police. Tulip Assist may engage a third party to recover all costs related to the *fraud*

Chapter 6 – What should I do in case of damage?

If you discover damage to your device, we expect that you let us know within a reasonable timeframe after the damage occurred by sending us a claim form that can be found here <u>www.tulipassist.ie/login</u> (see Chapter 7). You should at least report the damage during the term of your insurance. This means you must be insured at the time of reporting and at the time the damage occurs. You can read how to report damage in chapter 7 of this policy.

It's important that you endeavour not to prejudice the interests of the insurer and act in an honest and reasonably careful manner for the duration of the policy term.

Good to know: we may decide not to compensate the damage if you do not report the damage to us in time (within the term of your insurance) or if you are (temporarily) uninsured when payment of the premium is not performed in time.

Chapter 7 – How do I register damage?

Follow the four steps below in order to register a damage.

 File your damage claim online by logging into your account via <u>www.tulipassist.ie/login</u>. Go to the tab 'My claims' and click on 'File claim' to register a damage.



Good to know: if you register a damage with us, you will be charged with an excess. The amount of the excess is included on your policy sheet. You can find more information in chapter 9.2 of this policy.

2. Follow the instructions we send you by email. This way, we can process your damage claim quickly and well.

Good to know: the treatment of your claim can take longer if you do not follow the instructions given by your Insurer or if you do not provide the Insurer with all the required information and/or documents, we may decide not to compensate the damage to your device. So please read the instructions carefully. Should you require any help in filling the claim or encounter any problems, please contact our customer support team. You can find more information in chapter 13 of this policy.

3. Make a backup of the information on your device before sending us your device. This way, you will prevent loss of personal files like pictures and device numbers.

Good to know: we are not responsible or liable for loss of or damage to (personal) data stored on your device caused by a repair. You are fully responsible for making a backup of your personal files <u>before</u> sending us your device. You can find more information in chapter 11 of this policy.

4. Reset your device to factory settings.

Good to know: we can only repair your device if you have removed your Google or Apple account from your device. You should also remove 'Find My iPhone' from an Apple device. After you reset your device to factory settings, all data stored on your device could be deleted from your device, including but not limited to photos, videos, contacts, and installed applications.

Chapter 8 – What is compensated?

8.1 – In kind

Compensation for damage to your device will always be paid in kind. We do not pay out in cash for damage on your device caused by damage.

8.2 - Repairs or replacement

We will pay for the repair fees for damage to your device. During a repair time you will not receive a loan device from us. The repair fees may turn out higher than the market value of your device. In that case, we will replace the device rather than repair it. You will then receive a device of the same brand and type. If this is no longer available, you will receive a similar device with equal features. This device may be new or refurbished. The insurance will automatically transfer to the new device. The device we have replaced becomes the property of Tulip Assist.

8.3 – Limitations

During the maximum five-year term, we will pay out a maximum of twice the purchase value of your device. The purchase value is included on the policy sheet. We will inform you by email when you have reached the limit of your insurance. It may occur that the repair fees exceed the



maximum amount. In that case, we will also inform you via email. We will then decide together whether you want to have your device repaired for an extra payment or you do not want to go through with the repairs.

Chapter 9 – Payments

9.1 – Premium payment

The monthly insurance premium is paid in advance by direct debit. The collection is always made before the first calendar day of the month. If the premium cannot be collected, we will inform you by sending you a payment reminder by email. We will then try to collect the payment once again.

If the second attempt to collect the payment fails as well, you will receive another email with a second payment reminder.

If the second attempt to collect the payment fails and the premium has not been paid manually by the 14th day of the calendar month, the insurance coverage will <u>expire</u> on the 15th day of the calendar month, with retroactive effect from the 1st day of the month. This is called suspension of insurance. We will inform you by email if we have suspended your insurance. You are not insured during a suspension. You will have 14 days after we have suspended your insurance to pay the overdue premium. The insurance will come into effect again on the day we have received the overdue premium.

If we have not received the premium within 14 days of the suspension of your insurance, we will <u>terminate</u> your insurance (see chapter 5.3).

Good to know: once we have terminated your insurance, you <u>cannot</u> reactivate it again. The overdue premium still has to be paid after termination.

9.2 – Policy excess

When we accept a damage claim, we will charge you an excess. The amount of the excess can be found on the policy sheet. The excess will be deducted from every accepted damage claim.

Good to know: we are only responsible for the value of the damage after the excess has been deducted.

Chapter 10 – What happens to my personal details?

10.1 – Privacy

Your personal details are in safe hands, and we will do everything we can to protect them. We only process your personal details in order to draw up and execute the insurance. If necessary, we can request additional details from your provider. We can also use your personal details to prevent and combat *fraud*. Your details may also be used for marketing purposes when you have given us your express permission.

You can find more information about the way we handle your personal details on https://www.tulipassist.ie/customer-service/privacy-policy

10.2-Notification obligation

When completing documentation, you are required to answer all questions posed by us or the Insurer honestly and with reasonable care. Specific questions will be asked. Where you do not



provide additional information (after being requested to do so) it can be presumed that the information previously provided remains unchanged.

Our contact details can be found in chapter 13. You can also view and change the data yourself by logging into your account via <u>www.tulipassist.ie</u>.

Good to know: if you fail to to answer questions honestly and with reasonable care, we may decide to terminate or suspend your insurance, or to reject or reduce your claim.

Chapter 11 – Liability

We are not responsible or liable for:

- a. Loss or damage to (personal) data or files (e.g., pictures, device numbers) on your device as a result of a repair
- b. Not or incorrectly following the instructions we give you

Chapter 12 – Other terms and conditions

12.1 – Complaints procedure

We will do everything we can to process your complaint well and as quickly as possible. If you have a complaint about the insurance or the execution of the insurance, please contact the Tulip Assist customer service.

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If you cannot come to an agreement with the customer service department, and you remain dissatisfied with your experience of Tulip Assist, please submit your complaint via:

Email: complaints@tulipassist.ie

You may also approach the insurer directly:

Tulip Assist Insurance Limited 3rd Floor - Development House St. Anne Street Floriana FRN9010 Malta

In case your complaint has not been resolved to your satisfaction, you may approach the responsible authority via: Financial Services and Pensions Ombudsman (FOS) Lincoln House, Lincoln Place Dublin 2, D02 VH29 Phone: (01) 567 7000 Email: <u>info@fspo.ie</u> Website: www.fspo.ie



Or via:

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If the previous steps fail to produce a desired and satisfying result, you may approach the appropriate Irish court.

Good to know: we take any complaints very seriously, and we will do anything we can to come to a solution together. Additional details on how we manage complaints are available on https://www.tulipassist.ie/customer-services/complaints-procedure.

12.2 – Changes to premium and conditions

We may change the premium and policy terms and conditions of this insurance at any time. If anything changes, we will let you know via email. If a change is to your disadvantage, you can cancel your insurance within 30 days after receiving notice of this change.

12.3 – Applicable law

This insurance contract is governed by the law of the Republic of Ireland.

12.4 – Competent court

Disputes concerning this insurance contract or its implementation must be submitted to the competent national Courts in Ireland.

12.5 – Language

All contract documents and insurance conditions are published in English. Communication will be conducted in English.

12.6 – Demands and needs

This Mobile Essential insurance product meets the demands and needs of those who wish to insure their device against damage. We have not provided you with advice or recommendations on this insurance policy and whether this insurance policy is suitable to your specific needs.

12.7 – Insurance act

All monies which become or may become payable by the Company under this Policy shall in accordance with Section 93 of the Insurance Act 1936 be payable and paid in the Republic of Ireland.

12.8 – Stamp duty

The appropriate stamp duty has been or shall be paid in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 of the Stamp Duties Consolidation Act 1999.



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Chapter 14 – Glossary

The meaning of all *italicized* terms in the policy are further explained below.

Insurer – Your insurer, as the manufacturer of the insurance product, is Tulip Assist Insurance Limited. The words '**we**', '**our**' and '**us**' are used to refer to Tulip Assist Insurance Limited.

Distributors – Tulip Assist act as distributor in the formation of this insurance. Tulip Assist does <u>not</u> give advice.

Term - Your insurance runs for a minimum period of 30 days and a maximum of 5 years.

Authorised Agent - Tulip Assist is an insurance intermediary who acts as the authorised agent/ distributor of Tulip Assist Insurance Limited. Tulip Assist acts as a point of contact for this insurance. Tulip Assist is a trade name of Tulip Assist Services B.V. Tulip Assist Services B.V. is an insurance intermediary authorised by the Dutch Authority for the Financial Markets (AFM) in the Netherlands and is regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland for conduct of business rules. The authorisation details can be found on

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Insured person – You, as a natural person, are the insured person. The terms **'you'** and **'your**' are used to refer to the insured person.

Device – This is the apparatus you have insured with us.

Excess – The amount you pay towards each claim with the balance covered by your insurer. The excess amount is specified on your policy sheet.

Insured object – This is the device you have insured with us. The term **'device'** is used to refer to the insured object. When we replace your device as part of the insurance, the coverage automatically transfers to the new device.

Fraud –we mean a situation where you:

- a. Intentionally withhold information we have requested from you.
- b. Provide us with information you know is false.
- c. Provide us with documentation you know is forged or false.
- d. Make a claim for any loss or damage you caused deliberately.
- e. Make a claim under the policy, knowing the claim to be false or fraudulent in any way.

Deception – we mean a situation where you deliberately mislead us with the purpose of benefiting yourself or someone else. For example, by obtaining compensation for a damage you are not entitled to.

Repair by another party - By this we mean the situation in which your device has been repaired by a party other than Tulip Assist and that this repair has caused damage. In situations such as this, it cannot be guaranteed that the repair was properly performed. It is therefore important that you report damage to your device as soon as possible after the damage occurred.

Damage - by this we mean damage to or in your device, as a result of which the device no longer functions properly and / or the damage prevents the daily use of your device. You can think of

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large cracks in the screen, moisture in your device or large defects in the housing which prevent normal use of the device.

Cosmetic damage – we mean damage to your device where the device is still working properly, and the damage does not interfere with daily use of the device. This includes small scratches or dents that are caused by carrying your keys in the same pocket as your device.

Fire – we mean damage caused to or in your device by flames, as a result of which the device is no longer working properly and such damage refrains a normal and daily use of your device.

Lightning strike – we mean damage caused to your device due to electrical charges from lightning, as a result of which the device is no longer working properly and such damage refrains a normal and daily use of your device.

Frost – we mean damage caused to your device due to freezing temperatures, as a result of which the device is no longer working properly and such damage refrains a normal and daily use of your device.

Unsafe place – we mean bags, clothes, or furniture in freely accessible public places (tables, chairs, couches etc.) where there is a high risk of damage or loss/theft. This includes bags and clothes with easily accessible pockets.

Leave unattended – we mean the situation where you leave your device, either intentionally or unintentionally, out of your sight or stored in a place where it is almost impossible for you to prevent damage or theft.

This also includes the situation where you leave or store your device in your sight, but are so far removed from your device that it is almost impossible to prevent damage or theft.

Loss – we mean a situation where your device was lost because you either left or placed it – intentionally or unintentionally – in an unusual place, or because you forgot about it. This includes furniture (like tables, chairs, couches etc.) in public spaces that are freely accessible, and also in the work place, or in houses.

A situation where you lost your device because it (unintentionally) fell from your pocket or bag is also included here.

Consequential loss – we mean the additional damage that occurred as a consequence of damage to or loss/theft of your device. This includes being temporarily unavailable in the period of repairs.

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