

## Updates to AMP Everyday Home Insurance – effective from 1 July 2024

We've updated the AMP Everyday Home Insurance policy wording. In some instances cover has been altered, other changes are focused on providing more clarity in the event of a claim.

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glance	Cover for fire, flood, storm, natural disaster and other major events		Cover for fire, flood, storm, natural hazards, and other major events	
When you need to contact us — You must contact us when:	WHEN YOU NEED TO CONTACT US You must contact us when: > your contact details change.	6	WHEN YOU NEED TO CONTACT US You must contact us when: > your contact details change; > you sell your home, or buy a new one; > Toka Tū Ake Natural Hazards Commission (NHC) has provided:  • you with written notice of cancellation of cover for your home  • you with written notice of limitation of liability for future damage to your home  • the Registrar-General of Land with written notice of cancellation or limitation of liability and a certificate of cancellation or limitation of liability has been registered on the record of title for your home.	6
Who we cover – You/Your	WHO WE COVER – YOU/YOUR  You/your refers to the person or persons named as the insured on your policy schedule and members of your family who normally live with you at the insured address ('you').  If the insured shown on your policy schedule is a company, trustee of a trust or body corporate, then you/your refers to:  > that company, trustee or body corporate;  > the following if they normally live at the insured address:  • any company director, company owner or trust beneficiary; and  • their respective family members.  Family means:	7	WHO WE COVER – YOU/YOUR  You/your refers to the person or persons named as the insured on your policy schedule, their partner, and members of their family who normally live with you at the insured address ('you').  If the insured shown on your policy schedule is a company, trust, trustee of a trust or body corporate, then you/your refers to:  > that company, trust, trustee of a trust, or body corporate; > the following if they normally live at the insured address:  • any company director, company owner, trustee or beneficiary of a trust; and • their respective family members.	7



	<ul> <li>your spouse, partner or de facto;</li> <li>your parents, parents-in-law;</li> <li>your children, brothers and sisters, including their respective spouse, partner or de facto; and</li> <li>the children, parents, parents-in-law, brothers and sisters of your spouse, partner or de facto.</li> </ul>		Partner means:  > a marriage partner, or de facto partner as defined in the Property (Relationships) Act 1976 or  > civil union partner as defined in the Civil Union Act 2004.  Family means:  > your spouse, partner or de facto;  > your parents, parents-in-law;  > your children, brothers and sisters, including their respective spouse, partner or de facto; and  > the children, parents, parents-in-law, brothers and sisters of your spouse, partner or de facto.	
What we cover as your home	WHAT WE COVER AS YOUR HOME  > decks, pergolas, pagodas, verandas and balconies, patios, fixed water tanks, fixed swimming pools and spas and their accessories, sheds, tennis courts;  > any permanently fixed outdoor items, including solar panels, satellite dishes, play equipment, clothes lines, animal housing, letter boxes, exterior blinds and awnings, built in barbeques and outdoor lights;	8	WHAT WE COVER AS YOUR HOME  > decks, pergolas, pagodas, verandas and balconies, patios, fixed water tanks, fixed swimming pools and spas and their accessories, sheds, tennis courts, and permanently installed artificial grass or turf;  > any permanently fixed outdoor items, including solar power systems, satellite dishes, play equipment, clothes lines, animal housing, letter boxes, exterior blinds and awnings, built in barbeques and outdoor lights;	8
Insured event natural disaster	Insured event natural disaster  We cover  > loss or damage caused by natural disaster to items of your contents, less any excess payable under this policy; > loss or damage to your home caused by natural disaster where:  • the loss or damage to your home is covered under the Earthquake Commission Act 1993 (the EQC Act); and  • the Earthquake Commission has accepted liability and has paid the maximum amount that it is liable for under the EQC Act for your claim; and  • all amounts paid to you by the Earthquake Commission have been used by you to carry out repairs, or to rebuild the home, and/or to mitigate further loss or damage;	16	Insured event natural hazard  We cover  > loss or damage caused by natural hazard to items of your contents, less any excess payable under this policy; > loss or damage to your home caused by natural hazard where:  • the loss or damage to your home is covered under the Natural Hazards Insurance Act 2023 (the NHI Act); and  • Toka Tū Ake Natural Hazards Commission (NHC) have accepted liability and have paid the maximum amount that it is liable for under the NHI Act for your claim; and  • all amounts paid to you by NHC have been used by you to carry out repairs, or to rebuild the home, and/or to mitigate further loss or damage;	16



	> loss or damage caused by natural disaster to the following items that are part of your home if they are covered by this policy but are not subject to insurance under the EQC Act:  • permanently installed swimming or spa pools; or  • drains, pipes, and cables; or  • driveways, paths, patios, fences and walls (policy limits apply); or  • tennis courts.  A natural disaster excess of \$5,000 will apply to claims for these non-EQC Act items.  Where the loss or damage to your home caused by natural disaster is covered by this policy, we will only pay:  • the difference between the amount we would have paid under this policy if the cause of the loss or damage was an insured event other than natural disaster and the amount paid or payable by the EQC Act (including excesses);  • less any excess payable under this policy.  We do not cover		<ul> <li>loss or damage caused by natural hazard to the following items that are part of your home if they are covered by this policy but are not subject to insurance under the NHI Act:         <ul> <li>permanently installed external swimming or spa pools; or</li> <li>drains, pipes, and cables; or</li> <li>driveways, paths, patios, fences and walls (policy limits apply); or</li> <li>tennis courts.</li> </ul> </li> <li>An additional natural hazard excess of \$5,000 applies to amounts we pay for these parts of your home.</li> <li>Where the loss or damage to your home caused by natural hazard is covered by this policy, we will only pay:         <ul> <li>the difference between the amount we would have paid under this policy if the cause of the loss or damage was an insured event other than natural hazard and the amount paid or payable by the NHI Act (including excesses);</li> <li>less any excess payable under this policy.</li> </ul> </li> <li>We do not cover</li> </ul>	
	Only the 'General exclusions' apply to this insured event.		<ul> <li>any excess charged by NHC</li> <li>loss or damage that has been determined by NHC as imminent damage under the NHI Act.</li> </ul>	
Benefits that apply only to your home cover  Temporary accommodation – We cover	Temporary accommodation When an insured event results in damage to your home which makes it unliveable, and we agree, we will pay for your reasonable temporary accommodation costs while it is unliveable and for the time it will take to repair or rebuild your home to a condition where it is no longer unliveable. We will also pay for temporary accommodation for your domestic pets in a commercial boarding establishment for the same period that we pay for your temporary accommodation.	25	Temporary accommodation When an insured event results in damage to your home which makes it uninhabitable, and we agree, we will pay for your reasonable temporary accommodation costs while it is uninhabitable and for the time it will take to repair or rebuild your home to a condition where it is no longer uninhabitable. We will also pay for temporary accommodation for your domestic pets in a commercial boarding establishment for the same period that we pay for your temporary accommodation.	25
Benefits that apply only to your home cover	• where you decide that you do not wish to live in the home and it is not unliveable.	25	• where you decide that you do not wish to live in the home, and it is not uninhabitable.	25



Temporary accommodation – We do not cover				
Benefits that apply only to your home cover Environmental improvements	Environmental improvements  We provide cover for the costs associated with the purchase and installation of environmental improvements at the insured address such as a rainwater tank, solar systems or compost equipment when all of the following applies:	26	Environmental improvements  We provide cover for the costs associated with the purchase and installation of environmental improvements at the insured address such as a rainwater tank, solar power system, or compost equipment when all of the following applies:	26
Benefits that apply only to your home	Retaining walls We cover	27	Retaining walls We cover	27 & 28
cover Retaining walls	Where we pay a claim for loss or damage to your home, we will also pay for:  > loss or damage to retaining walls, including your share in retaining walls that are jointly owned by you and other property owners; and > the cost of gaining access to the wall, stabilising the soil and providing footings and drainage materials directly necessary for the work to the retaining wall or part of the retaining wall that has suffered loss or damage.		Where we pay a claim for loss or damage to your home, we will also pay for:  > loss or damage to retaining walls, including your share in retaining walls that are jointly owned by you and other property owners; and > the cost of gaining access to the wall, stabilising the soil and providing footings and drainage materials directly necessary for the work to the retaining wall or part of the retaining wall that has suffered loss or damage.	
	<ul> <li>The most we will pay for any one insured event is \$50,000, unless:</li> <li>you are able to provide us with a valuation for your home that:</li> <li>was issued by a quantity surveyor, suitably qualified valuer or builder prior to the loss or damage; and</li> <li>separately identifies the total amount that would be required to completely rebuild each retaining wall and all other improvements contained within the residential boundaries; and</li> <li>the home sum insured is at least the total amount that would be required to completely rebuild the home and all other improvements, including the retaining wall, as shown in the valuation;</li> </ul>		To be covered, the <i>retaining walls</i> must meet all the following criteria.  • Be complete — we don't cover <i>retaining walls</i> unless they were complete, reasonably maintained, and functioning as intended immediately prior to the <i>loss or damage</i> occurring.  • Have the sole purpose of retaining land (meaning their purpose doesn't include repelling water of any kind).  • Had all necessary permits, consents, and certificates from local authorities when they were built, and whenever they were altered.  • The <i>loss or damage</i> must be from a single event — we don't cover gradual damage to <i>retaining walls</i> .	
	in which case we will pay up to the full value of the retaining walls as shown in the valuation.  This benefit will be paid within the home sum insured for any one insured event.		We'll pay reasonable costs of repairing or rebuilding the damaged part of the retaining wall to the same condition as when it was	



## We do not cover

- > retaining walls that are over 1.5 metres above ground level which do not have appropriate local authority permit, consent or certificate;
- > incomplete retaining walls;
- > loss or damage to retaining walls which are caused by earthworks excavations.

new.  $\ensuremath{\textit{We'II}}$  use equivalent materials and techniques that are available now.

The most we will pay for any one *insured event* is \$50,000, unless: > you are able to provide us with a valuation for your home that:

- was issued by a quantity surveyor, suitably qualified valuer or builder prior to the loss or damage; and
- separately identifies the total amount that would be required to completely rebuild each retaining wall and all other improvements contained within the residential boundaries; and
- > the home sum insured is at least the total amount that would be required to completely rebuild the home and all other improvements, including the retaining wall, as shown in the valuation;

in which case we will pay up to the full value of the retaining walls as shown in the valuation.

## We'll top up the cover provided by NHC

If *loss* to *retaining walls* arises from *natural hazard*, *we* will pay this benefit in addition to cover provided under the Natural Hazards Insurance *Act* 2023 (the NHI *Act*).

Toka Tū Ake Natural Hazards Commission (NHC) must have done both of the following:

- accepted liability for *your* claim for damage to the *retaining wall*
- already paid the maximum entitlement under the NHI *Act* for the *loss*.

This benefit will be paid within the *home sum insured* for any one *insured event*.

## We do not cover

- any undamaged parts of the retaining wall.
- > loss or damage to retaining walls which are caused by earthworks or excavations.



Optional benefit	SumExtra	42	SumExtra	43
applicable to home	We cover		We cover	
cover	If we have accepted a claim for loss or damage to your home under this policy and we elect to settle your claim by repairing or rebuilding your home or by paying you the replacement cost to repair or rebuild your home (including where you will be building at a different location), and the replacement cost exceeds the home sum insured, we will pay:  • up to a further 10% of the home sum insured towards the replacement cost, where the loss or damage is caused by natural disaster; or  • the full replacement cost where the loss or damage arises from any cause other than natural disaster.		If we have accepted a claim for loss or damage to your home under this policy and we elect to settle your claim by repairing or rebuilding your home or by paying you the replacement cost to repair or rebuild your home (including where you will be building at a different location), and the replacement cost exceeds the home sum insured, we will pay:  • up to a further 10% of the home sum insured towards the replacement cost, where the loss or damage is caused by natural hazard; or  • the full replacement cost where the loss or damage arises from any cause other than natural hazard.	
Legal liability – what we do not cover	Legal liability – what we do not cover  We do not cover legal liability directly or indirectly caused by, arising from, in connection with or involving:  Asbestos  exposure to or potential exposure to asbestos in any form.	47	Legal liability – what we do not cover  We do not cover legal liability directly or indirectly caused by, arising from, in connection with or involving:  Asbestos  exposure to or potential exposure to asbestos.	47
General exclusions	The first 72 hours of your policy - excluded events	48 &	The first 72 hours of your policy – excluded events	49
	loss or damage to your home or contents that occurs within 72 hours of you taking out this policy for the first time, caused by storm, flood, landslip, bush fire or volcanic activity.  This exclusion doesn't apply:  where this policy started immediately following any other policy that insured the home or contents against storm, flood, landslip, bush fire or volcanic activity; or  where you took this policy out at the time you first purchased the home.	49	loss or damage to your home or contents that occurs within 72 hours of you taking out this policy for the first time, caused by storm, flood, landslide, bush fire or volcanic activity.  This exclusion doesn't apply:  > where this policy started immediately following any other policy that insured the home or contents against storm, flood, landslide, bush fire or volcanic activity; or  > where you took this policy out at the time you first purchased the home.	
General Exclusions		49	Asbestos asbestos of any form or amount.  We also won't cover legal liability resulting from any direct,	49



			However, we'll pay the cost to remove asbestos from the insured address during repairs or rebuilding if we have accepted a claim for loss or damage to your home.  We'll also pay the cost to remove asbestos from your contents if we have accepted a claim for loss or damage to your contents.  We'll only cover the removal of asbestos from the immediate area of the home or item of contents that has suffered the loss or damage.	
General Exclusions	Biological, chemical, other pollutant or contaminant  But we will cover:  > fire damage that is covered by 'Insured event fire';  > your legal liability under 'Legal liability' cover, to the extent your legal liability arises from your use of pesticides or herbicides at the insured address;  > the cost to remove asbestos or its derivatives from the insured address during repairs or rebuilding if we have accepted a claim for loss or damage to your home or contents;  > damage to the extent it is covered under additional cover 'Damage from physical injury or incident'.	49	Biological, chemical, other pollutant or contaminant But we will cover:  > fire damage that is covered by 'Insured event fire';  > your legal liability under 'Legal liability' cover, to the extent your legal liability arises from your use of pesticides or herbicides at the insured address;  > damage to the extent it is covered under additional cover 'Damage from physical injury or incident'.	49 & 50
General exclusions	Ground movement  > erosion, vibration, weakening or removal of support, subsidence, landslip, shrinkage, expansion, settling, ground heave or any other earth movement, but we will cover landslip, landslide or subsidence that is proved to have occurred within 72 hours of, and directly because of the following insured events:  - 'Insured event storm'; - 'Insured event flood'; - 'Insured event explosion'; and not because of erosion over time, structural fault or design fault.	51	Ground movement  > vibration, weakening or removal of support, subsidence, landslide, shrinkage, expansion, settling, ground heave or any other earth movement > erosion arising from action of wind or water. Erosion includes but is not limited to:  • erosion landslides • coastal erosion • bank erosion • sheet erosion	51 & 52



	This exclusion does not limit anything that would be covered under 'Insured event natural disaster'.		but we will cover landslide or subsidence that is proved to have occurred within 72 hours of, and directly because of the following insured events:  • 'Insured event storm';  • 'Insured event flood';  • 'Insured event explosion'; and not because of erosion over time, structural fault or design fault.  This exclusion does not limit anything that would be covered under 'Insured event natural hazard'.	
General exclusions	Land damage  > erecting or upgrading improvements to land, which are required to avert or mitigate loss or damage to the home, even if such loss or damage or costs are covered by the Earthquake Commission	52	Land damage  > erecting or upgrading improvements to land, which are required to avert or mitigate loss or damage to the home, even if such loss or damage or costs are covered by Toka Tū Ake Natural Hazards Commission	52
General exclusions	Moving the home lifting or moving the home, or removal of structural support.	52	Lifting, moving, or relocating your home lifting or moving your home (including while in transit or storage, and while placed on temporary blocks or supports before, during, or after relocation), or removal of structural support.  We also won't cover any costs associated with relocating your home.	52
General exclusions		52	Sanctions  any cover, service, or benefit, or pay anything in connection with your policy, including any premium refund, if doing so may breach or risk exposure to any of the following.  1. Penalties, sanctions, prohibitions, proscriptions, preventions, or restrictions under United Nations resolutions.  2. Sanctions, proscriptions, preventions, laws or regulations of New Zealand, Australia, the United Kingdom, the United States of America, or the European Union.	53



General exclusions	Unrepaired land	54	Unrepaired land	54
	land where:  > you are aware that the land requires repair or poses a threat to the home; or		land where:  > you are aware that the land requires repair or poses a threat to the home; or	
	> you or a previous owner of the home has received payment from the Earthquake Commission to effect repairs to land, and those repairs have not been undertaken.		> you or a previous owner of the home has received payment from Toka Tū Ake Natural Hazards Commission (previously referred to as the Earthquake Commission) to effect repairs to land, and those repairs have not been undertaken.	
Your excess Natural disaster excess	Natural disaster excess  This excess applies in addition to any other excess if you make a claim as a result of natural disaster for loss or damage to items of your home that are not insured under the EQC Act.	57	Natural hazard excess  This excess applies in addition to any other excess if you make a claim as a result of natural hazard for loss or damage to items of your home that are not insured under the Natural Hazards Insurance Act 2023.	57
Other Claims Information	-	n/a	Information sharing We will share and collect information about your claim. You allow us to share information with third parties about any claim you make under this policy. You also allow us to get information from third parties that's relevant to any claim you make under this policy.	64
Other important information	Cancellation by you  You may cancel this policy at any time. If you cancel this policy, you will be refunded the unexpired portion of the premium, if the refund is more than \$10. The cancellation will take effect from the time that we receive your request to cancel.	65	Cancellation by you  You may cancel this policy at any time. If you cancel this policy, you will be refunded the unexpired portion of the premium. The cancellation will take effect from the time that we receive your request to cancel.	65
Other important information	Cancellation by us  We can cancel your cover by giving you notice of cancellation. This cancellation will take effect 7 days after we advise you of the cancellation. Where we cancel with notice, you will receive a refund of the unexpired portion of the premium if the refund is more than \$10.	65	Cancellation by us  We can cancel your cover by giving you notice of cancellation. This cancellation will take effect 7 days after we advise you of the cancellation. Where we cancel with notice, you will receive a refund of the unexpired portion of the premium.	65
Words with special meanings	cyber act means one or more unauthorized, malicious, or criminal acts involving accessing, processing, using, or operating any computer system. Cyber act also includes the threat or hoax of these acts.	66	cyber act means one or more unauthorized, malicious, or criminal acts involving accessing, processing, using, or operating any computer system. Cyber act also includes the threat or hoax of these acts.	66



Words with special	environmental improvements	67	environmental improvements	67
meanings	means an alteration or addition to your home which is intended to contribute to the protection or conservation of the environment. These may include, but are not limited to, items such as solar panels, rainwater tanks or compost equipment.		means an alteration or addition to <i>your home</i> which is intended to contribute to the protection or conservation of the environment. These may include, but are not limited to, items such as solar power systems, rainwater tanks or compost equipment.	
Words with special meanings	natural disaster means earthquake, natural landslip, volcanic eruption or activity, hydrothermal activity, tsunami or fire resulting from any of these. It does not include any gradual or slow movement of land.	68	natural hazard(s) means earthquake, natural landslide, volcanic activity, hydrothermal activity, tsunami or fire resulting from any of these. It does not include any gradual or slow movement of land.	68
Words with special meanings	natural landslip means the sudden movement (whether by way of falling, sliding, or flowing, or by a combination of these) of ground-forming materials composed of natural rock, soil, artificial fill, or a combination of such materials, which, before movement, formed an integral part of the ground, but does not include any gradual or slow movement of these materials.	68	means the sudden movement (whether by way of falling, sliding, or flowing, or by a combination of these) of ground-forming materials composed of natural rock, soil, artificial fill, or a combination of such materials, which, before movement, formed an integral part of the ground, but does not include any gradual or slow movement of these materials.	68
Words with special meanings	unliveable means the home is no longer a safe and sanitary place to live, as determined by government or local authorities, or by us, due to physical damage to the home, and where notice to this effect has been issued. It does not mean a disinclination by you to remain in occupancy of an otherwise safe or sanitary home.	69	<ul> <li>uninhabitable</li> <li>means we, or government or local authorities, determine the home is no longer a safe or sanitary place to live because of physical damage to the home — and we or they have therefore given you notice of this.</li> <li>Uninhabitable doesn't mean you or your tenants not wanting to live in an otherwise safe or sanitary home.</li> </ul>	69
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