## **Supplementary Product Disclosure Statement ("SPDS")**

(Notice of Policy Changes & Amendments) Effective Date: 30 June 2019

This notice sets out an important change made to the combined Product Disclosure Statement, Policy Terms and Conditions and Financial Services Guide for Manchester Unity Pet Insurance dated 1 March 2009. It is important that you read this SPDS and the policy booklet together to familiarise yourself with the policy Terms and Conditions as they now apply.

Section	Description of change
Where applicable	The Combined PDS FSG is amended by replacing all references to: PetSure (Australia) Pty Ltd ABN 95 075 949 923 Authorised Representative of Hollard (Number: 268991)
	with PetSure (Australia) Pty Ltd ABN 95 075 949 923 AFSL No. 420183.
Where applicable	Replace all references to 80% with 70%.
Where applicable	Replace all references to 'Per-Condition Excess' with 'Excess'.
Part A –	Replace Part A in its entirety with the following:
Product Disclosure Statement (PDS) (pages 4-7)	PART A – PRODUCT DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (PDS)
	Hollard is solely responsible for the PDS and is the insurer under each Manchester Unity Pet Insurance policy issued. PetSure has been given a binding authority by Hollard which authorises it to enter into, vary and cancel Manchester Unity Pet Insurance on behalf of Hollard as if it were Hollard, subject to the limits of authority agreed with Hollard. PetSure does not act for you. Manchester Unity Australia Ltd is authorised to distribute and promote Manchester Unity Pet Insurance but does not issue policies and is not involved in the assessment or payment of claims.
	This PDS contains important information about:
	significant features and benefits of Manchester Unity Pet Insurance;
	your Duty of Disclosure when applying for Manchester Unity Pet Insurance;
	our internal and external dispute resolution procedures; and      veur applies off rights when purchasing Management Unity Bot Insurance.
	your cooling off rights when purchasing Manchester Unity Pet Insurance.
	Please note that, while this PDS provides a summary of the significant features and benefits of Manchester Unity Pet Insurance, you must also read the Policy Terms and Conditions in this booklet to understand the insurance provided (including what terms, conditions, exclusions and limitations may apply to your Cover).
	Sometimes we need to change the wording of the policy before it is issued to you because your insurance varies depending on a number of factors. We do this by adding what is called an endorsement. You will find any endorsements that apply to your policy printed on your Certificate of Insurance.
	We may need to update this PDS from time to time if certain changes occur and where required by law If the change results in a material change from the PDS you hold, we will provide you with a new PDS or supplementary PDS.
	<ul> <li>Protection for your Pets</li> <li>Subject to the terms, conditions, exclusions and limitations that apply to your Cover (as set out in this document), Manchester Unity Pet Insurance provides:</li> <li>financial protection for Vet Expenses in respect of the insured Pet resulting from sudden and unexpected Accident or Illness (depending on the level of Cover selected by you) occurring or first showing clinical signs within the Policy Period and after any applicable Waiting Period; and</li> <li>cover for eligible Vet Expenses (as well as allowing you to use the services of any Vet in Australia and, in some cases, overseas).</li> </ul>
	'Vet Expenses' are defined in Section 1 – Definitions on page 11 and may be subject to stated limits and applicable Waiting Periods.
	Significant Risks  Manchester Unity Pet Insurance transfers many of the financial risks Pet owners face for Vet Expenses from the insured to the insurer. However, Manchester Unity Pet Insurance does not cover every circumstance or expense and we have certain terms, conditions, exclusions and limitations that help keep premiums low. These include, but are not limited to, Conditions such as pregnancy, elective

procedures, Pet foods/diets, grooming and medical Conditions that are present or that you were aware

of (or that a reasonable person in your circumstances should have been aware of) prior to the policy Commencement Date or that arise during the applicable Waiting Period.

Maximum monetary limits also apply to the benefits payable in any one Policy Period. These are called the Benefit Limit(s) and Sub-limit(s) and can vary depending on the relevant cover. Sub-limit(s) for particular Conditions may also apply.

Full details are specified in the Policy Terms and Conditions (pages 8 to 22).

## Your obligation to us

Before you enter into an insurance contract, you have a duty to tell us anything that you know, or could reasonably be expected to know, which may affect our decision to insure you and on what terms. You have this duty until we agree to insure you. You have the same duty before you renew, extend, vary or reinstate an insurance contract.

You do not need to tell us anything that:

- reduces the risk we insure you for; or
- is common knowledge; or
- we know or should know as an insurer; or
- we waive your duty to tell us about.

#### If you do not tell us something

If you do not tell us anything you are required to, we may cancel your contract or reduce the amount we will pay you if you make a claim, or both. If your failure to tell us is fraudulent, we may refuse to pay a claim and cancel your contract.

## Calculating your Premium

Your premium is calculated when your Manchester Unity Pet Insurance policy begins, and at each policy anniversary (and if you vary or extend cover) and is printed on the relevant Certificate of Insurance.

The premium for new policies is calculated based on a number of factors. Some are pre-set and don't vary for each insured (e.g. amounts we take into account for certain internal costs and expenses). Others can affect the premium amount up or down depending upon whether we believe it increases or decreases the risk to us, such as the Cover you have chosen, Excess selected, the Benefit Percentage applicable to the Cover you have chosen, the species, breed and age of your Pet and other factors related to our cost of doing business. These same factors may be used to calculate your premium when you amend your coverage.

Further information about renewal premiums can be found under 'Automatic Renewal of your Policy' below. The amount you pay includes allowances for government fees, taxes and charges (including stamp duty and GST). You can ask us for further information.

Minimum premiums and discounts/entitlements may apply, subject to certain criteria.

Discounts/entitlements/ premiums may be rounded up or down and only apply to the extent any minimum premium is not reached. They are also applied in a predetermined order (excluding amounts for government taxes and charges) as reduced by any prior applied discounts/entitlements. They are applied to the base premium calculated prior to any taxes being added.

## Cooling off period

You have a full 21 days from the policy Commencement Date (or any renewal date) to make sure you are happy with every aspect of your Manchester Unity Pet Insurance policy. This is known as the "cooling off" period. During this time you may cancel the policy simply by contacting us. If we receive your request to cancel your policy within the 21 day period after the policy Commencement Date (or any renewal date), we will give you a refund of any monies received since commencement or renewal, less any transaction costs incurred by us, which we are unable to recover and any taxes or duties that we are unable to refund.

You cannot return your Manchester Unity Pet Insurance policy if you have exercised any of your rights or powers under the policy (e.g. you have made a claim) within the 21 day cooling off period. After the cooling off period ends you continue to be able to cancel your policy and you have rights upon cancellation in certain circumstances under the policy. These rights are set out in Section 8 – Cancellation.

## Your Privacy

Hollard, Manchester Unity Australia Ltd and PetSure (each a "Recipient" and referred to as "we", "us" or "our" in this Privacy section) are subject to the Australian Privacy Principles under the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth).

In connection with each Recipient:

- personal information is collected in various ways, including via telephone, our website, hard copy
  forms or email. Whenever you deal with us we will collect this information directly from you unless it
  is unreasonable or impracticable for us to do so. In some instances, we may collect your
  information from someone else. This may include our authorised representatives, our distributors
  or referrers, agents or related entities, veterinary service providers, another party involved in a
  claim, family members, anyone you have authorised to deal with us on your behalf, and/or our legal
  or other advisers;
- personal information is collected that is reasonably necessary in order for us to provide and offer you our products and services, or otherwise as permitted by law. Such purposes include responding to your enquiries, providing you with assistance you request of us, maintaining and administering our products and services (for example processing requests for quotes, applications for insurance, underwriting and pricing policies, issuing you with a policy, managing claims, processing payments); processing your survey or questionnaire responses; market research and the collection of general statistical information using common internet technologies such as cookies; providing you with marketing information regarding other products and services (of ours or a third party); quality assurance and training purposes; performing administrative operations (including accounting and risk management) and any other purpose identified at the time of collecting your information;
- if you do not consent to us collecting and using, or disclose all or some of the personal information
  we request, we may not be able to provide you with our products or services, such as processing
  your application for insurance, your claim or any payment due to you. It may also prevent us from
  maintaining or administering your policy or the provision of information regarding our products or
  services or those of any third party;
- we may collect your personal information so that we or our related entities or other third parties
  with whom we have a relationship can develop or offer you products and services which we believe
  may be of interest to you, but will not do so if you tell us not to by contacting us (our contact details
  are provided in this section);
- where appropriate, we will disclose your information to our related entities and third parties who provide services to us or on our behalf, including our authorised representatives, distributors or referrers, mailing houses and marketing companies, insurance reference bureaus, reinsurers, credit providers, external IT service providers, other insurance providers and advisers. In the case of claims (or likely claims) it may be disclosed to persons involved in the claim, veterinary service providers, external claims data collectors and verifiers. Your personal information may also be disclosed to the Australian Financial Complaints Authority (AFCA) or other dispute resolution providers, government bodies, regulators, law enforcement agencies and any other parties where required by law; and
- your personal information may also be disclosed to some of our service providers who are located overseas including but not limited to the Philippines. Details of who they are may change from time to time. You can contact us for details. In some cases, we may not be able to take reasonable steps to ensure they do not breach the Privacy Act and they may not be subject to the same level of protection or obligations that are offered by the Privacy Act. By proceeding to acquire our services and products you agree that you cannot seek redress under the Privacy Act or against us (to the extent permitted by law) and may not be able to seek redress overseas.

You consent to the use and disclosure of your personal information as set out in this section. Your consent applies whether you become or remain the insured unless you tell us otherwise by contacting us. You can read more about how we collect, use and disclose your personal information or how to make a complaint about a breach of the Australian Privacy Principles in our Privacy Policy which is available on our website or you can request a copy. If you wish to gain access to your personal information (including correcting or updating it), have a complaint about a breach of your privacy or have any other query relating to privacy, please contact the Privacy Officer at:

Hollard

Phone: (02) 9253 6600

E-mail: <u>privacy@hollard.com.au</u>
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#### Code of Practice (Code)

Hollard and PetSure are members of the Insurance Council of Australia and also signatories of the General Insurance Code of Practice. The objectives of the Code are:

- commit insurers to high standards of service;
- promote better, more informed relations between insurers and their customers;
- maintain and promote trust and confidence in the general insurance industry;
- provide fair and effective mechanisms for the resolution of complaints and disputes between insurers and their customers; and
- promote continuous improvement of the general insurance industry through education and training.

You can obtain a copy of the Code from the Insurance Council of Australia website at www.insurancecouncil.com.au.

#### Goods and Services Tax (GST)

All monetary limits in your policy are inclusive of GST. In the event of a claim, if you are not registered for GST, we will reimburse you the GST component in addition to the amount we pay you. If you are registered for GST, we will not pay you the GST component, you will need to claim the GST component from the Australian Taxation Office.

You must advise us of your correct input tax credit percentage where you are registered as a business and have an Australian Business Number. You are liable to us for any GST liability we incur arising from your incorrect advice or inaction.

## If you have any questions

For more information about Manchester Unity Pet Insurance, to confirm policy transactions, or if you have any questions about the information contained in the PDS or Policy Terms and Conditions, please call us on 1800 630 681. Our lines are open Monday to Friday (except public holidays) 8:30am – 5:00pm (AEST).

Alternatively, you can write to:
Manchester Unity Pet Insurance

Locked Bag 9021, Castle Hill NSW 1765

## If you have a complaint

We hope that you never have reason to complain, but if you do we will do our best to work with you to resolve it. Our complaints resolution process has three steps.

## 1 - Immediate Response

Usually when you have a concern, we can resolve it immediately on the phone. If we can't immediately resolve your concern we will treat it as a complaint and take steps to resolve your matter as soon as possible. Please contact us using one of the following means:

Phone: 1800 630 681

Monday to Friday (except public holidays)

8:30am – 5pm (AEST)

Writing: Customer Service Complaints

Manchester Unity Pet Insurance Locked Bag 9021, Castle Hill 1765

Please supply your enquiry number to enable the enquiry to be dealt with promptly. Your complaint or enquiry will be dealt with by someone with appropriate authority.

#### 2 - Internal Dispute Resolution

If we haven't resolved your matter to your satisfaction, at your request (refer to contact details provided for "1 – Immediate Response"), we will escalate your complaint for review by our Internal Disputes

Resolution team. All escalated matters will be acknowledged within two (2) business days of being escalated. After full consideration of the matter a written final response will be provided that will outline the decision reached and the reasons for the decision.

## 3 - External Dispute Resolution

In the event that your complaint is not resolved to your satisfaction, or a final response has not been provided within forty-five (45) days, you can refer your matter to the Australian Financial Complaints Authority (AFCA), providing your matter is within the scope of the AFCA Rules. AFCA is an independent dispute resolution service provided free of charge. You may contact AFCA at:

## Australian Financial Complaints Authority

Mail: GPO Box 3, Melbourne VIC 3001

Phone:1800 931 678Website:www.afca.org.auEmail:info@afca.org.au

## Financial claims scheme and compensation arrangements

Hollard is an insurance company authorised under the Insurance Act 1973 (Cth) (Insurance Act) to carry on general insurance business in Australia by the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA) and is subject to the prudential requirements of the Insurance Act.

The Insurance Act contains standards designed to ensure that, under all reasonable circumstances, financial promises made by us are met within a stable, efficient and competitive financial system. Because of this we are exempted by the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) from the requirement to meet the compensation arrangements Australian Financial Services licensees must have in place to compensate retail clients for loss or damage suffered because of breaches by the licensee or its representatives of Chapter 7 of that Act. We have compensation arrangements in place that are in accordance with the Insurance Act.

If we were to fail and were unable to meet our obligations under your policy, a person entitled to claim under insurance cover under the policy may be entitled to payment under the Financial Claims Scheme (access to the Scheme is subject to eligibility criteria). Information about the Financial Claims Scheme can be obtained from the APRA website at www.fcs.gov.au.

#### Authorised for Issue

This PDS including the Policy Terms and Conditions was prepared by Hollard. Manchester Unity Australia Ltd and PetSure have given their consent to all statements by or about them in the form and context in which they are included and have not withdrawn as at the date of the PDS. These statements appear throughout the PDS.

# Part B – your policy document (page 8)

## Replace Part B in its entirety with the following:

#### PART B - YOUR POLICY DOCUMENT

## The Manchester Unity Pet Insurance Policy

Upon acceptance of application for your Cover, you will be issued a Certificate of Insurance. We will issue a new Certificate of Insurance:

- on renewal of your policy each year; or
- if you or we change your Cover.

Your policy will continue for a period of twelve (12) months from the policy Commencement Date unless cancelled by you under the cooling off period as explained on page 5 or cancellation provisions of the policy as explained in Section 8 – Cancellation. We also have certain cancellation rights at law. For your convenience and to ensure continuity of cover for your Pet, we will automatically renew your policy each year, (refer to the "Automatic renewal of your policy" section below).

Your policy comprises of the Certificate of Insurance, PDS, Policy Terms and Conditions, FSG and any endorsements issued by us from time to time.

#### The basis on which we insure you

Subject to the Terms and Conditions of the policy, we will reimburse the Vet Expenses incurred by you as a result of a Treatment to the insured Pet for covered Accident or Illness Conditions up to the specified Benefit Percentage, but subject to any applicable Benefit Limit or Sub-limit and less any Excess which may apply, provided that:

- you have paid or agreed to pay the premium to us for the Cover provided;
- the Accident or Illness Conditions (whichever is applicable) arose during the Policy Period and after any applicable Waiting Period; and
- the Treatment occurred during the Policy Period.

Coverage under the policy will depend on the level of Cover you have chosen. Your Certificate of Insurance will state whether your Pet is covered for Accident only, or for both Accident and Illness. Additional and optional benefit(s) may also be provided if specified on your Certificate of Insurance.

## Automatic renewal of your policy

We will advise you regarding renewal of your policy prior to the expiration of the current policy, and your renewal premium will also be adjusted accordingly.

Every year, we review the cost of everyone's insurance with regards to a combination of factors as well as claims inflation across all our insured Pets. These factors include your Pet's age and breed, as well as data relating to the health of Pets that are a similar age and breed. Your premium takes into account the average cost of care for Pets like yours.

We may also change the terms and conditions of the policy upon renewal to reflect the portion of the risk associated with insuring your Pet.

Unless you notify us otherwise, your Cover will be automatically renewed on the terms contained in the renewal offer and we will deduct/charge the renewal premium from your nominated account/credit card unless you tell us not to. If the account/credit card is not yours, you confirm you have the authority of the relevant person to use it and they have agreed to these terms.

We require you to notify us should you decide not to renew your policy.

Should you renew your policy, you must tell us if the information you have previously supplied is incorrect or incomplete in order to comply with your Duty of Disclosure. If you do not, we may reduce or refuse to pay a claim or cancel the policy.

## Delivery of your policy documents

Unless you tell us otherwise or we tell you it is no longer suitable we will send your policy documents and policy related communications electronically. This includes email and/or other methods of electronic communication. You will need to provide us with your current email address and your mobile phone number. Each electronic communication will be deemed to be received by you on the transmission date recorded in our systems. Where we deliver your policy documents and policy related communications by mail in printed form all such communications will be deemed to have been successfully delivered once mailed by us to your last notified postal address.

#### Some Important things you should know

Benefits do not accumulate across Policy Periods. The policy benefits will expire at the end of each Policy Period.

Your rights and duties under the policy cannot be transferred without our prior written consent. It is a condition of Cover that your Pet must regularly reside with you and be under your regular care and supervision at the physical address you provided to us.

## Section 1 – Definitions (page 9-11)

Chronic Condition and Recurring Condition lifetime cover limits are removed. Refer to the new definition of Benefit Limit(s) and Sub-limit(s) below. Delete the following definitions:

- Chronic Condition
- Per-Condition Excess

## Section 1 – Definitions (page 9-11)

## Insert the following new definitions:

**Benefit Percentage** means the stated percentage of each claim for eligible Vet Expenses for which we will reimburse you, subject to any applicable Benefit Limits and Excesses. Note: The applicable Benefit Percentage will be shown on your Certificate of Insurance. For example: for an 70% Benefit Percentage we will reimburse you for 70% of the eligible Vet Expenses, subject to Benefit Limits and Excesses payable.

**Consultation** and other derivations mean an examination performed by or under the supervision of a Vet, including a physical consultation, inpatient examination, in-hospital examination, health certificate, consultation or recheck consultation/visit, referral/specialist consultation/visits, emergency and after hours consultations/visits.

**Excess** means that the first amount of a claim we do not pay and which you are required to pay yourself as shown on your Certificate of Insurance. **Note:** The Excess is deducted from your benefit for each Condition treated during the same Policy Period. Refer to page 21 for an example of how claim payments are calculated.

**Related Condition** means a Condition that even though it has shown first signs or symptoms during the Policy Period (outside of the Waiting Period) is considered to be a Pre-existing condition if it has the same clinical symptoms, diagnostic classification or results from the same disease process as a Pre-existing Condition regardless of the number of areas of your Pet's body affected. **For example:** if your Pet suffers from arthritis in its legs prior to the Commencement Date of the policy or during the Waiting Period, all future occurrences of arthritis for example in the back or neck, will be considered to be Related Conditions and will not be covered.

**Skin Condition** means any Condition regardless of cause or origin presenting in or affecting the skin (as an organ) in any way whatsoever. Note: For the purposes of the policy, Skin Conditions are:

- deemed to include skin lumps;
- regarded as one Condition.

## Section 1 – Definitions (page 9-11)

## Replace the existing definitions as follows:

**Benefit Limit(s)** and **Sub-limit(s)** mean the applicable amount/s payable in any one Policy Period, in relation to the relevant Cover as specified on your Certificate of Insurance (determined as follows):

- if a Sub-limit for a particular Cover, item, Condition or Treatment on an individual or per claim basis is specified to apply on your Certificate of Insurance, we will not pay more than that amount (subject also to the overall annual Benefit Limit or other relevant Sub-limit not having been exceeded); and
- we will never pay more than the overall annual Benefit Limit specified on your Certificate of Insurance.

Note: Benefit Limits and Sub-limits reset on renewal. The Benefit Limit is also subject to any applicable Excess.

**Certificate of Insurance** means the relevant certificate we provide outlining the key details of the contract of insurance between you and us, and identifying the policy number, Commencement Date, Cover End Date, insured Pet, schedule of benefits including Benefit Limits.

**Condition** means any Accident, or any manifestation of an Illness, including but not limited to any:

• Skin Condition; Bilateral Condition; Related Condition or Recurring Condition.

**Illness** means a sickness or disease which:

- is not included under Accident Cover; and
- is independent of any Pre-existing Condition.

**Pre-existing Condition** means any Condition(s) or symptoms or signs of that Condition occurring or existing in any form prior to the Commencement Date or during any applicable Waiting Period. Including but not limited to:

 any cruciate ligament Condition; a Recurring Condition; any Skin Condition (as defined); latent infectious Conditions that manifest within a known incubation period indicating clear evidence that the Condition had existed prior to the Commencement Date; any Condition in remission at the time of the insurance application; any seasonal Condition; Conditions currently or previously being controlled by medication(s) or by a prescription diet; and whether or not diagnosed or treated by a Vet. (If your Pet has a Pre-existing Condition, please also refer to definitions for a "Related Condition" and "Bilateral Condition").

**Recurring Condition** means a Condition that is curable but may relapse repeatedly with intervals of remission in between. **For Example:** if your Pet has an ear infection once every year prior to taking out an insurance policy, or it reoccurs during the Waiting Period, this would be a Recurring Condition and therefore be excluded form Cover as a Pre-existing Condition.

**Treatment** means reasonable and customary examinations, Consultations, hospitalisation, surgery, x-rays, medication, diagnostic tests, nursing and other care and procedures provided by a Vet to relive or cure a disease, Illness or Accident during the Policy Period.

#### Replace points 1 and 2 with the following: Section 2.2 -We will not reimburse 1. a Pre-existing Condition, a Related Condition or a Condition arising within the applicable any Vet Waiting Period; Expenses 2. patella luxations (dislocating kneecap), hip dysplasia, skin mites, elbow dysplasia, toxicity attributable (other than that resulting from a confirmed snake bite) and intervertebral disc disease (IVDD) under Accident Cover no matter how the Condition arises. These Conditions will only be (page 12) covered (where eligible) under Section 3 - Illness Cover on page 13 of the PDS if you have selected that level of Cover: 3. any dental Treatment, including fractured teeth; or 4. any of the excluded matters listed in Section 6 – Exclusions. Section 3.2 -Replace points 1-5 with the following: We will not reimburse 1. a Pre-existing Condition, a Related Condition or a Condition arising within the applicable any Vet Waiting Period: Expenses 2. An Illness caused by: attributable a. endoparasites, such as intestinal worms; or b. ectoparasites, such as ticks (other than a paralysis tick) and fleas, with the exception of skin and ear mites; (page 13) 3. Treatment of the following irrespective of whether your dog or cat was vaccinated or not: a. for dogs: infectious canine hepatitis (canine adenovirus), parvovirus, canine distemper, parainfluenza, canine influenza and all forms of kennel cough; or b. for cats: panleukopenia, chlamydia, feline leukaemia virus (FeLV), feline immuno deficiency virus (FIV), viral rhinotracheitis, calicivirus, herpes virus and all forms of cat flu; 4. any declared widespread pandemic disease that affects dogs or cats; or 5. any of the exclusions explained in Section 6 - Exclusions. Section 4.1 -Replace all text under 'What we will pay' with the following text: Emergency 1. If you, (the insured and sole carer of the Pet) are hospitalised (other than in the circumstances Boarding specified below) for five (5) or more consecutive days during the Policy Period; or Section 2. If you, (the Insured and sole carer of the Pet) require emergency accommodation due to family (page 14) violence. You will be responsible for any Excess as shown on the applicable Certificate of Insurance. Under 'We will not pay' insert the following point: 4. Any costs under this benefit if someone else living with you can reasonably be expected to look after your Pet whilst you are in hospital. Section 4.2 -Replace all text under 'What we will pay' with the following: Essential We will pay you the Benefit Percentage for Vet Expenses incurred by you up to the Benefit Limit to euthanasia euthanase your Pet during the Policy Period provided that this was deemed a humane and essential (page 14) course of action by the Vet, and as a result of a Condition coverable under your policy. You will be responsible for any Excess as shown on the applicable Certificate of Insurance. Section 4.4 – Replace all text under 'What we will pay' with the following: Pet Overseas We will pay for Vet Expenses incurred for the Treatment of your Pet whilst it is overseas with you in New Zealand or Norfolk Island, subject to: Travel Insurance 1. the Cover selected, the Benefit Percentage, Benefit Limits and any Excess as shown on your (page 15) applicable Certificate of Insurance; and 2. the payment of the benefits under this section to you in AUD at the exchange rate applicable on the date your claim is received by us. Under 'We will not pay' insert the following point: 6. any amount if you or your Pet live permanently outside Australia. Replace exclusions 1-16 with the following: Section 6 -Exclusions 1. Pre-existing Conditions – a Related Condition or a Condition arising within the applicable Section Waiting Period. Refer to page 11 for definition of Pre-existing Conditions. (page 16) 2. Dental Care – dental procedures; dental diseases; gingivitis; Treatment of teeth fractures; teeth

cleaning/scaling; orthodontics; removal of deciduous or fractured teeth or any oral disease (with the exception of oral tumours). These Conditions will only be covered up to a specified Benefit Limit if you have the Routine Care benefit, as shown on your Certificate of Insurance (see 'Section 5 – PetFit (Wellbeing Plan)').

#### 3. Certain Treatments & Conditions

- a. any Vet Expense relating to regular, prescription or dietary Pet food or treats, special diets, vitamins, nutraceuticals, or mineral supplements, whether recommended by your Vet or not (unless covered under Section 5 and specified on your Certificate of Insurance);
- b. preventative procedures and treatments (including, but not limited to, vaccinations, microchipping or flea/tick/worm control);
- c. grooming and bathing of your Pet, and injuries sustained (such as lacerations and cuts) while your Pet is being groomed by you or any other person;
- d. non-medicated bathing or grooming products including but not limited to shampoos and conditioners:
- e. medicated baths and shampoos, unless your Vet deems them medically necessary to treat a Condition covered by your policy;
- f. accessories such as but not limited to pill poppers, cage hire, crates, bedding and collars;
- g. training, socialisation, therapy and alternative therapies (including, but not restricted to, Consultations and Treatments involving homeopathic remedies, acupuncture, laser therapy, hydrotherapy, chiropractic Treatments and/or physiotherapy) whether recommended by your Vet or not:
- h. Treatment for Accidents or Illnesses that occur while your Pet is used for (or as a direct result of) hunting, commercial or occupational purposes including but not limited to racing, breeding, organised fighting, law enforcement, guarding or pig hunting dogs. Conditions that occur during or as a result of Guide Dog or Assistance Dog duties are exempt from this exclusion;
- i. Treatment of or Conditions attributable to behavioural problems regardless of the cause (including but not limited to anxiety disorders, phobias or chemical imbalance);
- j. cell-replacement therapies, including but not limited to stem cell therapy and platelet-rich plasma. This exclusion does not include blood transfusions, which are covered when medically necessary;
- k. a Condition where the diagnosis is inconclusive, but where the Treatment protocol is consistent with a Treatment protocol typically applied to an Accident or Illness which is not covered (e.g. Treatment for coughing where kennel cough is suspected but not diagnosed or excluded as a diagnosis);
- I. Treatment for Conditions excluded by the policy and/or due to complications and/or adverse reactions arising from any policy exclusion;
- m. medication not approved or listed by the APVMA (Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medication Authority) unless specifically agreed to by us in writing;
- n. the provision of medication(s) for your Pet that covers a period of more than thirty (30) days beyond the policy End Date;
- o. your decision to pursue a course of Treatment other than that which was recommended to you by your Vet unless specifically authorised by us prior to Treatment. For example: ignoring a Vet's recommendation to remove an eye, which then results in extra costs associated with chronic eye issues;
- p. chemical castration, suprelorin implants or other desexing procedures, unless required to treat your Pet's reproductive organs due to inflammation, infection or cancer;
- q. cryptorchidism (undescended testicles); or
- r. breeding or obstetrics, or Treatment of Conditions arising as a result of breeding or obstetrics.

#### 4. Certain Services & Procedures

- a. transport or boarding expenses other than the benefits provided in Section 4.1 Emergency Boarding on page 14, regardless of reason;
- b. ambulance fees and non-essential hospitalisation;
- c. additional costs associated with house calls, phone Consultations and out-of-hours Treatment unless the Vet believes an emergency Consultation was necessary, in which case our liability is limited to the amount that would have been payable had the Treatment been provided at a Vet practice during normal Consultation hours;
- d. genetic/chromosome testing including procedures to determine the suitability or categorisation of your Pet for breeding or genealogical purposes; or
- e. The following items and any associated expenses:
  - i. any trial or experimental procedures and Treatments;
  - ii. organ transplant surgery, open heart surgery, artificial limbs, mitral valve and chordae tendineae replacement surgery and pacemakers;
  - iii. external fixtures (such as wheelchairs);
  - iv. prosthetics (including but not limited to hip replacements and elbow replacements); or
  - v. 3D printing.

#### 5. Elective Treatments and Procedures

- a. routine examinations and health checks, cosmetic procedures, hip and elbow scoring, nail clipping, pre-anaesthetic blood tests, declawing, ear cropping and nasal fold, skin fold, stenotic nares and soft palate resections; and
- b. tail docking and debarking.
- 6. Your Pet not being protected due to gross negligence by you or your failure to take all reasonable precautions to protect your Pet from situations that may result in injury or Illness (such as ingestion of hazardous substances) or from aggravating a treated Condition).

## 7. Policy Conditions

- a. any consequential loss, economic or otherwise, loss of enjoyment or other such loss not mentioned in the policy; or
- b. a Condition specifically excluded on your Certificate of Insurance.

## Section 7.1 – Paying your premium (page 18)

## Replace the sentence under point 3 with the following text:

3. When premiums are paid monthly or fortnightly by instalment, claims are paid on the basis that you agree to pay the remaining premiums for that Policy Period. If you pay your premium by instalments, you will be charged a collection fee per instalment.

**Note:** if we accept and pay a claim under the policy, we may deduct the balance of any outstanding premium from the claim payment.

## Section 7.2 – Paying on the due date (page 18)

## Replace points 3-4 with the following text:

3. Where you have an instalment policy and we have not received an instalment payment, we will send you a notice in writing (either mail, email or text message) regarding your non-payment at least fourteen (14) calendar days before any cancellation by us for non-payment.

If after sending the above notice we do not receive the instalment payment, we will send you a second notice in writing (either mail, email or text message), either:

- a. prior to cancellation, informing you that your instalment policy is being cancelled for non-payment if the unpaid premium remains in arrears for more than thirty (30) days; or
- b. within fourteen (14) days after cancellation by us, confirming our cancellation of your instalment policy.
- 4. If at least one instalment has remained unpaid for a period of at least fourteen (14) days then we may refuse to pay your claim(s).
- 5. If we cancel your policy due to non-payment of an instalment premium you need to be aware that:
  - no benefits or entitlements can be paid under the policy,
  - you may be refused cover in the future under any policy administered by PetSure; and
  - any application for general insurance products in the future may be affected because you had a policy cancelled as a result of unpaid premiums.

## Section 8 – Cancellation (page 19)

## Section 8 – Cancellation is replaced with the following text:

## Cancellation by you

You may cancel your policy with us at anytime by contacting our customer service team. Our contact details are set out on page 3. The cancellation will be effective once we provide you our confirmation of your cancellation request. These cancellation provisions also apply to policies cancelled where you have entered into a new policy because you change your level of Cover, type of policy or amount of Excess.

## Cancellation during the cooling off period

If you cancel your policy during the 21 day cooling-off period, and no claim has/is to be made by you, we will refund any premiums paid by you since commencement or renewal, less any transaction costs incurred by us which we are unable to recover, and any taxes or duties that we are unable to refund. You cannot return your policy during the cooling off period if a claim has/is to be made by you.

## Cancellation where no claims have been made

If you cancel the policy for whatever reason after the cooling off period and you have paid the annual premium in full, provided no claim has been made, we will refund the premium less:

- The amount covering the period you were insured for;
- The cancellation fee of \$30 (which will not be deducted if your cancellation is due to your Pet passing away); and
- Any government or statutory charges we are unable to recover.

If you have been paying your premium by instalments, there is no premium refund including for any remaining days of a current instalment period). No further premium instalments will be deducted.

#### Cancellation after a claim has been made

If you cancel your policy for whatever reason (other than your Pet passing away) after having made a claim, no premium refunds are payable and the remaining premium for that Policy Period must be paid if it has not already been paid. Any outstanding premium may be deducted from any claim payment owed, or alternatively, charged to your nominated bank/credit card account. This clause survives termination of this contract.

If you cancel your policy because your Pet has passed away and after having made a claim, your policy will be cancelled in the same way as set out above in 'Cancellation where no claims have been made'.

## Cancellation by us

We may cancel your policy where the law allows us to do so. If we cancel your policy, we may refund any money we owe you less any non-refundable statutory fees. If we cancel your policy due to fraud, we may not refund any money to you. If you advise us that your Pet has passed away, your policy will be cancelled in accordance with 'Cancellation where no claims have been made'.

## Section 9 – Claims (page 20-21)

## Replace Sections 9.1-9.3 with the following:

#### 9.1 How to make a claim

Should you need to submit a claim, your Vet may be able to do this for you electronically, at the time of your visit. If you elect to have your Vet submit your claim on your behalf, we will still communicate with you regarding the status of your claim. If your Vet has agreed to submit your claim electronically on your behalf, you agree we are authorised to receive each such claim submitted.

You can also complete a paper claim form and send your original documentation via post. If you choose to claim via post, the attending Vet must complete all sections on the claim form where designated and both you and the attending Vet must sign the claim form. All claims must be completed carefully and honestly.

Claim forms are available by calling us on 1800 630 681.

## 9.2 Important claim information

- 1. Unless we agree otherwise, all claims must include itemised tax invoice(s), payment receipt(s) and applicable Consultation notes. If submitting a claim by post all claim documentation must be originals and must be accompanied by a completed claim form.
- 2. Incomplete claim forms will be returned to you and this may result in a delay in processing your claim. We recommend that you retain copies of all documentation for your records.
- 3. If submitting a claim for the first time, please include a full veterinary history from the attending Vet and any previous Vets who have treated your Pet. Failure to include this may result in delays in processing your claim;
- 4. All claims should be submitted to us and received within ninety (90) days of the relevant Treatment being provided and all accounts must be paid in full prior to submission of your claim.
- 5. You agree that your Vet (current or previous) or any other service provider that provided Treatments to your Pet is authorised to release information and/or records to us about your Pet.
- 6. Where a Vet submits a claim on your behalf, you agree that the Vet is able to view the outcome and status of that claim and previous claims (where applicable);
- 7. You agree that we are authorised to discuss with the Vet, details relating to your claim or Treatment provided to your Pet in relation to a claim made under the policy;
- 8. You agree that we have the right to decline to process a claim where you or your Vet refuse or are unable to provide information reasonably requested by us in order to process your claim.
- 9. We will not reimburse you for the provision of any information required in the purchase and administration of the policy nor for the assistance provided to you in the completion of any forms relating to the policy including the provision of any information in relation to a claim made under this policy.

#### 9.3 Processing of your claim

- 1. We will deal directly with you regarding settlement of the claim. In the instance your Vet submits your claim on your behalf, they may receive status updates, or when agreed to by us, payment on your behalf.
- 2. Unless we agree otherwise, we will pay you, not the Vet.
- 3. If the Vet Expenses:
  - a. are considered by us to be excessive or unreasonable;
  - b. are higher than the Vet Expenses normally charged by a general or referral practice;
  - c. in our opinion may not be required; or
  - d. are regarded to be excessive when compared with the Treatment normally recommended to treat the same Condition by general or referral practices;

then claim payments will be adjusted and paid based on the reasonable and customary Treatment or fees typically charged for the Treatment of that Condition. We reserve the right to request a

second opinion from a Vet that we choose. If the Vet we choose does not agree that the Treatment provided, or fees charged were reasonable, we may decide to pay only the cost of the Treatment that was necessary and/or reasonable to treat the Condition (as advised by the Vet from whom we have requested the second opinion).

- 4. We will send you a letter/remittance advice regarding the settlement of your claim that will provide details of how your claim has been dealt with.
- 5. If you submit a fraudulent claim or solicit your Vet to behave in a fraudulent manner regarding a claim, then the claim may be denied, and we may cancel your policy altogether. We may also be entitled to reclaim any payments already made to you in respect of such claims.
- 6. When we settle your claim, we reserve the right to deduct from the benefit amount any amount due to us.
- 7. In the event that we pay a benefit contrary to the Policy Terms and Conditions for whatever reason, this will not constitute a waiver retrospectively as they stand to any paid claims or to any future claims for that or any Related Condition. We also reserve our right to recover from you any benefit amount received by you as a result of such error.

## 9.4 How we settle your claim

Settlement of your claim, where cover is provided, will be calculated in the following manner (illustrative calculation based on 70% cover option and \$100 Excess – all amounts include GST):

Vet fee claimed:\$37070% of this amount:\$259Less: Per-condition excess (see\$100

definition)

Benefit payable to you: \$159

## Replace Section headings 9.4 and 9.5 as follows:

9.5 Our rights of recovery

9.6 Other insurance arrangements

## New Section Added -Fraud

## Insert the following new Section:

#### **FRAUD**

It is unfortunate that with all types of insurance, fraud and attempted fraud can occur. We employ sophisticated fraud detection and prevention techniques to ensure we only pay out on genuine claims. By doing this we are protecting the interest of all policyholders and are able to offer a comprehensive policy with competitive premiums.

You must not act in a fraudulent manner. If you or anyone acting for you:

- make a claim under the policy knowing the claim to be false or fraudulently exaggerated in any respect;
- make a statement in support of a claim knowing the statement to be false in any respect;
- solicit your Vet to behave in a fraudulent manner regarding a claim;
- submit a document in support of a claim knowing the document to be forged or false in any respect; or
- make a claim in respect of any loss or damage caused by your wilful act or with your connivance.

#### Then:

- 1. we shall not pay the claim;
- 2. we shall not pay any other claim which has been or will be made under the policy;
- we may at our option cancel the policy;
- 4. we may at our option cancel any other pet insurance policies you hold which are issued by Hollard:
- 5. we may be entitled to reclaim any payments already made to you in respect of such claims;
- 6. we may not make any refund of premium already paid;
- 7. we may inform the police of the circumstances; and
- 8. we may pursue legal proceedings.

## New Section Added

#### Insert the following new Section:

#### **CHANGING LEVEL OF COVER**

- 1. If you opt to transfer your Pet to a level of Cover with higher or additional benefits (including but not limited to a higher Benefit Percentage, Benefit Limit) then the additional or higher benefits will not apply to claims for Conditions first noted, diagnosed, or treated prior to the policy upgrade. In such cases, benefits will be restricted to the lesser of the maximum benefits payable under the:
  - a. current level of Cover; or
  - b. policy that applied during the Policy Period in which such Condition(s) was/were first noted, diagnosed, or treated.

For the sake of clarity, maximum benefits referenced in this section include taking the following factors into consideration:

the policy Benefit Limit(s);

- applicable Sub-limit(s);
- applicable Benefit Percentage and Excess; and
- any applicable policy exclusions.
- 2. If you opt to transfer your Pet to a level of Cover with additional benefits, then the applicable 21 day Waiting Period for the Illness Cover will apply.
- 3. If you pay your premium via fortnightly or monthly instalments, there is no premium refund (including any remaining days of a current instalment period) when you change your level of cover.
- 4. You cannot change your level of Cover in a Policy Period if a claim has been paid.

Financial Services Guide (FSG) (page 23)

## Replace Part C in its entirety with the following:

## PART C - FINANCIAL SERVICES GUIDE (FSG)

PetSure and Manchester Unity Australia Ltd are responsible for this FSG as it relates to the financial services provided by them. This FSG provides you with information about the financial services that they provide in relation to Manchester Unity Pet Insurance (to help you decide whether or not to use those services) as well as information on how they are remunerated in relation to the services, how they deal with complaints and how they can be contacted.

#### In this FSG:

- Hollard means The Hollard Insurance Company Pty Ltd.
- Manchester Unity Australia Ltd means Manchester Unity Australia Ltd.
- PetSure means PetSure (Australia) Pty Ltd.
- You, and your means the applicant for a Manchester Unity Pet Insurance policy and if a policy is issued, the insured.

Manchester Unity Pet Insurance is promoted by Manchester Unity Australia Ltd issued by Hollard and administered by PetSure. Full details about these companies are given at the start of the Policy Booklet & PDS. The Manchester Unity Pet Insurance PDS including the Policy Terms and Conditions are set out in this booklet. The Manchester Unity Pet Insurance PDS contains information on the benefits and significant characteristics of the product and is aimed to assist you in making an informed decision about whether to purchase it or not. Before you acquire the product, you should read the PDS carefully and use it to decide whether to purchase the product.

## About Hollard, Manchester Unity Australia Ltd, PetSure and other relevant persons/organisations

Hollard is an Australian Financial Services Licensee (AFSL 241436) authorised to provide advice and deal in relation to all general insurance products. Hollard is the insurer and issuer of Manchester Unity Pet Insurance policies. In providing the financial services set out in this FSG, Hollard does not provide personal advice and does not act for you.

**Manchester Unity Pet Insurance** is an Authorised Representative (Number 261360) of Hollard and is authorised to promote Manchester Unity Pet Insurance which is issued by Hollard. Manchester Unity Australia Ltd does not act for you or provide personal advice.

**PetSure**, a subsidiary company of Hollard, is an Australian Financial Services Licensee (AFSL 420183) and authorised to deal in and provide general advice on general insurance products. It administers pet insurance policies on behalf of the insurer Hollard and determines, on behalf of Hollard, whether a policy can be issued to you by Hollard. PetSure has been given a binding authority by Hollard which authorises it to enter into, vary and cancel these policies on behalf of Hollard as if it were Hollard. PetSure's authority is subject to the limits of authority agreed with Hollard. PetSure does not act for you. PetSure has also been appointed by Hollard as its agent to manage, administer and settle claims made under Manchester Unity Pet Insurance policies. This means PetSure makes decisions about claims on behalf of Hollard. In providing the financial services set out in this FSG PetSure does not provide personal advice and does not act for you.

## Important information you should know

The organisations in this section have not and will not consider whether Manchester Unity Pet Insurance is appropriate for your personal objectives, financial situation or needs as they do not provide such services to you. Any information provided in relation to this product is of a general nature only and is not based on a consideration of your personal needs, objectives or financial situation. Therefore, you need to consider the appropriateness of any information given to you, having regard to your personal circumstances before buying a Manchester Unity Pet Insurance policy. You need to read the PDS including the Policy Terms and Conditions to determine if the product is right for you. The PDS contains information on the relevant risks, benefits and significant characteristics of the product and is aimed to assist you in making an informed decision about whether to buy it or not. If you require personal advice, you need to obtain the services of a suitably qualified adviser.

#### How each party is paid for its services

When you purchase a Manchester Unity Pet Insurance policy you pay the premium to Hollard for the product. This amount is provided to you before the product is purchased.

Manchester Unity Pet Insurance may receive a commission of up to 20% of the net premium (this is the premium less any government taxes and charges) for promoting Manchester Unity Pet Insurance policies. This commission is used by Manchester Unity Australia Ltd to cover costs associated with the marketing and distribution of this product to you and may include any referral fees to people or organisations that refer new customers to Manchester Unity Pet Insurance.

Our agents are paid a salary or wages, but do not receive a commission or other payments attributable to the sale of insurance.

PetSure receives a portion of the underwriting profit, if any, for administering Manchester Unity Pet Insurance products.

You may request particulars about the above remuneration (including commission) or other benefits from the relevant entity providing the relevant financial service; however, the request must be made within a reasonable time after you have been given this document and before the relevant financial service has been provided to you by them. The contact details for each of Manchester Unity Australia Ltd and PetSure are shown in the Policy Booklet and PDS.

## Compensation Arrangements

The Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) requires Australian Financial Services licensees to have arrangements for compensating retail clients for losses they suffer as a result of a breach by the licensee or its representatives of Chapter 7 of that Act, unless an exemption applies.

To this end PetSure has Professional Indemnity Insurance in place which meets the legislative requirements covering PetSure's activities and the activities of its authorised representatives and includes the conduct of any employees who are no longer employed by PetSure or its authorised representatives but were so at the time of the relevant conduct.

Refer to the "Financial Claims Scheme and Compensation Arrangements" section above for further information on Hollard's compensation arrangements.

#### Your privacy

Refer to the "Your Privacy" section of the PDS for further information on what we do with your information.

#### How are Complaints resolved?

Refer to the "If you have a complaint" section above for further information on how complaints are dealt with.

## Authorised for issue

This FSG was prepared by PetSure and Manchester Unity Australia Ltd (as it relates to the financial services provided by them) to be issued on 30 June 2019 and Hollard has authorised the distribution of this FSG by them.

If you have any questions regarding this change, you can contact us on 1800 630 681 or via manchesterunity@petsure.com.au.