# FREE LIFE COVER.

We know how important it is for you and your loved ones to have peace of mind. That's why we provide free life cover when you take out one of our term assurance products.

# WHAT IS IT?

Free life cover is a benefit we include automatically at no extra charge when you take out one of our mortgage related term assurance or critical illness products. It is a benefit that pays out if you die before your policy starts.

During the home buying process, once you exchange contracts or, in Scotland, complete missives, you are legally bound to purchase the property. If you die after exchanging contracts/completing missives but before you purchased the property, your mortgage lender could withdraw their mortgage offer. This could mean your estate would be in a situation where they are legally bound to buy the property but may not have the money to do so. This benefit provides cover for this situation, giving you a comprehensive level of cover before your policy starts.

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## **HOW LONG IS THE COVER FOR?**

The cover begins once you have exchanged contracts (conclusion of missives) and lasts until:

- the completion of the purchase (date of entry);
- for up to 90 days; or
- · your policy starts,

whichever happens first.

If you die between these times and you fulfil the terms and conditions that apply to this cover we'll pay out. Please note any claims are subject to the same exclusions as the standard life cover for which you are applying.

This benefit is separate from, but runs alongside, the policy you applied for.

## **HOW MUCH WILL WE PAY OUT?**

The amount we will pay out on death is:

- · your proposed amount of cover;
- the amount of your loan (or the proportion of the loan that the policy is designed to cover); or
- £300,000,

whichever is the lowest.

If you have chosen critical illness cover, free life cover will only pay out if you die and not if you are diagnosed with a critical illness.

In the event of a claim, if you're covered by one or more of the following, free life cover, accidental death benefit, immediate cover or the policy you applied for, we'll only pay out once, not on each of these benefits.

Any benefit payable from this cover may be subject to inheritance tax. Please speak to your adviser if you are concerned that this may affect you.

#### WHO DOES THE MONEY GO TO?

The money will go to whoever has been set up to receive the benefits from the term assurance or critical illness policy you applied for. Please speak to your adviser if you are unsure who should receive the benefit.

#### CONDITIONS

To benefit from free life cover you must meet the following conditions:

- You must be under 55 when you take out the mortgage. If there are two people covered on one policy, you must both be under 55
- You must be accepted on standard terms for the benefits you applied for.
- No other policies covering the same mortgage may be in force or applied for.
- You must have answered the questions in your application truthfully and accurately, and returned your signed 'Checking Your Details' document.
- We have the right to investigate any claims that arise under this agreement and to refuse them if the answers in your application are incorrect.
- Cover can only commence when exchange of contracts (conclusion of missives) has taken place.
- In the event of a death, any benefit paid either under this benefit or your mortgage protection plan(s) will be paid once and no further benefits will be payable.

Free life cover should not be confused with our accidental death benefit and immediate cover facilities, which offer benefits for different situations. Please speak to your adviser for further details on these other facilities.

