



Conditions for Mortgage Protection 2004

Your policy

Mortgage is an insurance protection plan that can help to provide funds to pay the balance of a mortgage loan. It provides cover that reduces over a limited period of time.

We will pay benefits if the insured becomes **totally and permanently disabled** (before the age of 70) or dies during the term of the policy.

You cannot cash in this policy.

1 What your policy covers

If the insured becomes **totally and permanently disabled** (before the age of 70) or dies during the term of the policy, we will pay the sum assured. The sum assured we will pay depends on the policy year in which the insured becomes **totally and permanently disabled** (before the age of 70) or dies.

The sum assured that we will pay in each policy year is shown in the 'Table of Sum Assured' in the policy schedule.

The policy will end when we make this payment.

2 Your responsibilities

You will pay your first premium at the time you apply for this policy. You will then pay future premiums when they are due. You will have 30 days as a period of grace to make these payments for this policy to continue. If we are due to pay any benefits during this period, we will take off any unpaid premiums from the benefits.

If you still have not paid the premium after the period of grace, this policy will end.

If this policy ends because you have not paid the premium, you can reinstate it within 36 months by paying the premiums you owe along with interest.

This applies as long as you give us satisfactory proof of the insured's good health and there is no change in the risks covered by this policy.

3 What you need to be aware of

a Suicide

This policy is not valid if the insured commits suicide within one year from the **cover start date**.

We will refund the total premiums paid, without interest, from the **cover start date**.

b Total and permanent disability benefit

Under the definition of **total and permanent disability** (TPD), if the insured is under 65 years old, he or she must be unable to carry out any occupation. We do not pay if the insured is merely unable to perform the same job as before, or is unable to perform a job to which his or her training, education or experience is suited for.

If the insured is 65 years old and above, but under 70 years old, he or she must be suffering from a **severe disability**. Otherwise, we will not pay the benefit.

However, if there is **total physical loss**, and the insured is under 70 years old, we will pay.

We will pay this benefit in a lump sum, up to \$1 million each year. If the benefit is more than \$1 million, we will pay in yearly installments. Once we begin paying the TPD benefit, this policy and all riders (except for extended TPD benefit) will immediately end and you will not have to pay premiums.

If before **we** have finished paying all the yearly TPD installments the insured dies, or the policy reaches its original expiry date, **we** will pay the rest of the yearly TPD installments in a lump sum. **We** will not pay for death as the policy would have already ended.

We may ask **you** to provide proof of continued TPD before each yearly installment. If the insured is no longer **totally and permanently disabled**, **we** will stop the yearly TPD installments and **you** will have to pay the premiums again. The policy will then resume, but the benefits under the resumed policy will be based on a reduced amount, to take into account the amount of TPD benefit which has already been paid. **We** will tell **you** the amount of the reduced benefits.

We will not pay this benefit if your claim arises from:

- deliberate acts such as self-inflicted injuries, illnesses or attempted suicide;
- unlawful acts, provoked assault, or deliberate exposure to danger; or
- the effects of alcohol, drugs or any dependence.

We will also not pay this benefit unless the insured is certified by a **registered medical practitioner** to have been **totally and permanently disabled** for at least six months in a row.

If the insured is also covered for TPD under any policies which have been issued in the past (whether issued by **us** or by any other insurer), the total TPD benefit due under all these policies cannot be more than S\$3.75 million (not including bonuses). In this case **we** will first take into account the amounts due under the earlier policies, and then pay out only an amount to bring the total payments to S\$3.75 million (not including bonuses). The cover for death will be reduced by the TPD payment, and this remaining cover will continue as long as **you** pay premiums on it. **We** will work out the remaining cover and the reduced premium **you** will need to pay for this remaining cover.

c Making a claim

We must be told within six months after the diagnosis or the event giving rise to the claim.

d Refusing to pay a claim

After **you** have been continuously covered for one year from the **cover start date**, **we** will pay your claim unless:

- it is a case of fraud;
- **you** fail to pay a premium;
- the insured has a **material pre-existing condition**; or
- the claim is excluded or not covered under the terms of the policy.

e Transferring the legal right of the policy

You cannot assign (transfer) this policy unless **you** tell **us** in writing and **we** agree to the assignment.

f Excluding third-party rights

Anyone not directly involved in this policy cannot enforce it under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act (Chapter 53B).

4 Definitions

Cover start date means the date:

- **we** issue the policy;
 - **we** issue an endorsement to include or increase a benefit; or
 - **we** reinstate the policy;
- whichever is latest.

Material pre-existing condition means any condition that existed before the **cover start date** which would have reasonably affected **our** decision to accept your application and for which:

- the insured had symptoms that would have caused any sensible person to get medical treatment, advice or care;
- treatment was recommended by or received from a medical practitioner; or
- the insured had medical tests or investigations.

Registered medical practitioner means a doctor who is qualified in western medicine and is legally licensed in Singapore or has the qualifications recognised by the Singapore Medical Council.

Severe disability means the inability to perform at least three of the following activities of daily living, even with the aid of special equipment and always needing the help of another person throughout the entire activity.

- Washing - the ability to wash in the bath or shower (including getting into and out of the bath or shower) or wash satisfactorily by other means.
- Dressing - the ability to put on, take off, secure and unfasten all garments and, as appropriate, any braces, artificial limbs or other surgical appliances.
- Transferring - ability to move from a bed to an upright chair or wheelchair and vice versa.
- Mobility - the ability to move indoors from room to room on level surfaces.
- Toileting - the ability to use the lavatory or otherwise manage bowel and bladder functions so as to maintain a satisfactory level of personal hygiene.
- Feeding - the ability to feed oneself once food has been prepared and made available.

Total and permanent disability, and **totally and permanently disabled**, mean any of the below.

- If the insured is under 65 years old, **total and permanent disability**, and **totally and permanently disabled** mean **total physical loss**, or the inability to take part in any paid work for the rest of a person's life.
- If the insured is 65 years old and above but under 70 years old, **total and permanent disability**, and **totally and permanently disabled** mean **total physical loss**, or **severe disability**.

Total physical loss means:

- the total and permanent loss of sight in both eyes;
- the loss of, or total and permanent loss of use of, two limbs at or above the wrist or ankle; or
- the total and permanent loss of sight in one eye and the loss of, or total and permanent loss of use of, one limb at or above the wrist or ankle.

We, us, our means NTUC Income Insurance Co-operative Limited.

You means the policyholder shown in the policy schedule.