

## Metropolitan General Insurance Company Warwick, Rhode Island

## Disclosure of Important Policy Provisions For Residents of Maine Applies to Policies Effective On or After January 1, 2023

As used in this disclosure, terms that appear with initial capitalization are defined in the Policy, including any endorsements attached to the Policy.

- The Policy is underwritten by Metropolitan General Insurance Company.
- You have 30 days from the day You receive Your Policy to review it and return it to Us if You decide not to keep it. You do not have to tell Us why You are returning it. If You decide not to keep it, simply return it to Us at the address shown on Your Policy or You may return it to the agent/insurance producer that You bought it from as long as You have not filed a claim. You must return it within 30 days of the day You first received it. We will refund the full amount of any premium paid within 30 days after We receive the returned Policy. The premium refund will be sent directly to You. The Policy will be void as if it had never been issued. (This provision only applies to the initial policy that We issue to You with a one year policy period; it does not apply to renewal policies).
- The Policy covers Illness. An Illness may include a physical sickness, infirmity or disease due to:
  - a hereditary disorder;
  - a congenital anomaly or disorder; or
  - a chronic condition.
- The Policy excludes coverage for a Pre-Existing Condition.
- Other exclusions may apply. Please refer to the Limitations and Exclusions section of the Policy for more information.
- The Policy may include:
  - a Waiting Period;
  - a Deductible;
  - a Covered Percentage; or
  - a Policy Limit.
- Depending on the Policy coverage, the following formula is generally used as a basis to which We determine claim payments:

(Total Treatment Cost - Deductible) x Covered Percentage = Claim Payment

- The Policy does not reduce coverage or increase premiums based on the Pet Parent's claim history.
   Premiums may increase based on:
  - a change in Your address;
  - a change in coverage; or
  - the age of Your Pet, upon renewal.

- The Waiting Period for Illness is a 14 calendar day period that begins on the date coverage first takes effect for a Pet under the Policy. Once the Waiting Period is completed for a Pet, Illnesses will be covered for that Pet, subject to the terms and provisions of the Policy. The Waiting Period does not apply to Injuries and does not apply at Policy renewal for a Pet that has already completed the Waiting Period, provided You maintain Continuous Coverage for that Pet with Us. (Note that policies with a 30 day policy period do not include a Waiting Period for Illness).
- The Waiting Period for Illness may be fully or partially waived for Your Pet as described below.

For purposes of this provision, a Waiver Exam means an Exam of Your Pet, performed at Your option and expense that includes:

- an assessment of all body systems and parts; and
- documentation of the results, including any identified Illnesses, Injuries, and medications Your Pet takes.

## **Full Waiver**

The Waiting Period for Illness will be fully waived for Your Pet, if within 7 calendar days before Your Pet's effective date of coverage, Your Pet has a Waiver Exam. This means that the Waiting Period will not apply to any Illness that first begins after Your Pet's effective date of coverage.

## **Partial Waiver**

The Waiting Period for Illness will be partially waived for Your Pet, if within 5 calendar days after Your Pet's effective date of coverage, Your Pet has a Waiver Exam. In this case, the portion of the Waiting Period that remains after the date of the Waiver Exam will not apply to any Illness that first begins after the date of the Waiver Exam.

In order for Us to fully or partially waive the Waiting Period for Illness, documentation of the Waiver Exam must be provided to Us the first time You submit a claim for an Illness.

If You elect to exercise the waiver of the Waiting Period, please note the following:

- if the Waiver Exam identifies an Injury that occurred before Your Pet's effective date of coverage, that Injury will be considered a Pre-Existing Condition for which there is no coverage under the Policy; and
- if the Waiver Exam identifies an Illness that began on or before the date of the Waiver Exam, that Illness will be considered a Pre-Existing Condition for which there is no coverage under the Policy.
- When used in the Policy, the following terms will have the meanings stated below:
  - Chronic condition means a condition that can be treated or managed, but not cured.
  - Congenital anomaly or disorder means a condition that is present from birth, whether inherited
    or caused by the environment, which may cause or contribute to illness or disease.
  - **Hereditary disorder** means an abnormality that is genetically transmitted from parent to offspring and may cause illness or disease.
  - **Pet insurance** means a property insurance policy that provides coverage for Accidents and Illnesses of pets.

- **Renewal** means to issue and deliver at the end of the Policy Period a new Policy which supersedes the Policy previously issued and delivered by Us which provides coverage that is substantially similar to the coverage contained in the Policy being superseded.
- **Veterinarian** means an individual who holds a valid license to practice veterinary medicine from the appropriate licensing entity in the jurisdiction in which he or she practices, other than You, Your business partner, or a member of Your immediate family or household.
- Waiting Period means the period of time specified on the Declarations Page of the Policy that is required to transpire before coverage for Illness can begin for a Pet. The Waiting Period does not apply to Injuries and does not apply at Policy renewal for a Pet that has already completed the Waiting Period, provided You maintain Continuous Coverage for that Pet with Us.
- Pre-Existing Condition means, with respect to a covered Pet's Illness or Injury, that prior to the
  date that Continuous Coverage begins or, for an Illness that begins during an applicable Waiting
  Period under this Policy or a Prior Policy issued during the period of Continuous Coverage:
  - a Veterinarian provided medical advice;
  - the Pet received a diagnosis, care or Treatment; or
  - based on information from verifiable sources, the Pet had signs or symptoms directly related to the condition for which a claim is being made.
- The contact information of Your state insurance department is:

Maine Bureau of Insurance 34 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333 800-300-5000

https://www.maine.gov/pfr/insurance/home

You may contact Us at:

 700 Quaker Lane
 Warwick, Rhode Island, 02886

 866-937-7387