Pet Insurance

Insurance Product Information Document

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Product: Tesco Bank – Accident & Injury Policy

This document is a summary and includes details of cover and restrictions that we believe are important to our customers. Full details of your cover and restrictions will be provided in your policy documentation. To ensure that you have the correct level of cover for your needs please read the Policy Booklet and Your Schedule of Cover.

What is this type of insurance?
Pet insurance is an annual contract that helps you pay for the cost of vet treatment if your pet is hurt in an accident. This policy gives you up to £3,000 for vet fees. Each accident is covered for up to 12 months from the first date of treatment or until your vet fee limit is used up, whichever comes first, as long as your policy is renewed, there is no break in cover and your premiums are paid. It’s important you budget for renewal prices to increase as your pet gets older. There are a number of reasons why prices increase including new developments in diagnosis and treatments which have meant that vets can give pets even better care, great news for your pet but means an increase in vet costs. There is no limit to how much your renewal price can increase over time.

What is insured?

✓ Vet fees of up to £3,000 if your pet has been hurt in an accident or is ill as a result of the accident. Vet fees include:
  - Complementary therapy up to £500.
  - Dental care for teeth and gums if they are damaged by an accident.
  An accident is a sudden, unexpected, specific event that results in an injury to the pet.
✓ Third Party Liability (dogs only) up to £2m.

What is not insured?

✗ Pets less than 8 weeks of age.
✗ Any pedigree, cross or mixed breed of any of the following: Pit Bull, Pit Bull type, Japanese Tosa, Fila Brazileiro, Dogo Argentino, American Bulldog, Wolf or Wolf hybrid or of any breed not on our breed list unless we have agreed to cover it.
✗ Any dog that is trained to attack, used for security purposes or as a guard dog or which is used for fighting or any form of racing.
✗ Pets used for commercial breeding (this means used for breeding more than 2 times in the pet’s lifetime) or as a business or to make money or earn an income.
✗ Preventative or cosmetic treatments, routine examinations or check ups, vaccinations, homeopathic vaccination alternatives, flea, tick or worming treatments, clipping nails, bathing, dematting, spaying or castration.
✗ Supplements and probiotics.
✗ Food, even if prescribed by a vet.
✗ Pregnancy, giving birth, rearing puppies or kittens.
✗ Any treatment for any cruciate ligament problems however caused.
✗ Admin fees your vet might charge or costs charged by a vet to fill or provide a prescription.

Are there any restrictions on cover?

! Once you use up your vet fee limit or 12 months of treatment has been given, whichever happens first, you will no longer have cover for that accident or any health issues linked to it.

! If the same accident causes your pet to suffer from:
  - disc problems to one or more discs we don’t pay a separate vet fee limit for each disc we will pay it once for all the health issues linked to that accident;
  - a number of injuries or if the accident causes your pet to suffer from an illness we don’t pay a separate vet fee limit for each injury or each illness, we will pay it once for all the health issues linked to that accident.

! We will not pay for health issues, concerns, illnesses and injuries which you or your vet were aware of before you took out the policy, they are known as pre-existing conditions, they are:
  - signs or symptoms of diagnosed or undiagnosed injuries or illnesses;
  - existing illnesses or injuries;
  - existing physical abnormalities;
  - existing illnesses, injuries or physical abnormalities which lead to other health issues or injuries;
  - illnesses or injuries which are medically linked to existing illnesses, injuries or physical abnormalities.

We consider the following to also be a pre-existing condition:
  - treatment of spinal disc problems if any disc has shown signs, been diagnosed or been treated for spinal disc problems before you took out the policy.

! Accidents within the first 5 days of your policy first starting, or any illness or injury that develops from them.

! Vet fees for an illness which isn’t as a result of an accident.

! Liability claims covered by any other policy unless all cover under that policy has been used up.

! The excess is the part of a claim you have to pay; details are on your schedule. If our referral vets are not used, you may also need to pay £200 of the referral vet fee, plus your policy excess.
Where am I covered?

Within the territorial limits of the United Kingdom, Channel Islands and Isle of Man.

What are my obligations?

• You must answer our questions honestly, accurately and provide true and complete information, and tell us of any changes in your circumstances that may affect your insurance and the cover provided.
• You must tell us as soon as you become aware of any incident or legal proceeding which may lead to a liability claim.
• You must agree that your current, previous or referral vet may release information or records regarding the medical history, including test results for any pet insured with us.
• You must comply with the conditions in the policy and pay the premium shown on the policy schedule for each policy period.
• If you make a claim and have any remaining cover benefits you wish to use in the next policy year, you must renew your policy with us and there must be no break in cover.
• If the policy isn’t renewed, your cover will end and it might be difficult to find a new insurer who will cover any health problems your pet already has.
• Please check your breed information to ensure it is correct, as this may affect any claims and your premium.

When and how do I pay?

You may pay for your policy either annually or by monthly instalments. Annual premiums may be paid by credit card or debit card. Monthly instalments can only be paid by Direct Debit.

When does the cover start and end?

Your cover start and end date is shown on your policy schedule.

How do I cancel the contract?

You can cancel the policy by telephoning our Customer Service Line. You can find the contact number in your policy documentation or on our website.