

# 1300 Insurance Ezicover<sup>®</sup> Life Insurance

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1300 Insurance Ezicover Life Insurance is low-cost, do-it-yourself insurance paying a lump sum in the event of death or medically diagnosed terminal illness

## About this PDS

This PDS is prepared by Zurich Australia Limited. It is an important document and you should read it in full before making a decision about 1300 Insurance Ezicover Life Insurance. This PDS will help you to:

- decide whether this product will meet your needs; and
- compare this product with other products you may be considering.

Information in this PDS is general information only. It does not take into account your individual objectives, financial situation or particular needs. You should consider the appropriateness of this product having regard to your objectives, financial situation and needs. You may wish to consider seeking professional financial advice, or compare the product with products offered by other insurers.

## Definitions

Throughout this document, 'Zurich', 'us', 'our' and 'we' means Zurich Australia Limited, '1300 Insurance' means 1300 Insurance Pty Ltd, a Corporate Authorised Representative of Bombora Advice Pty Ltd (Bombora Advice) and 'you' or 'your' means the policy owner who is also the life insured.

## Important notice

The primary purpose of the 1300 Insurance Ezicover Life Insurance policy is to pay a lump sum on your death. **It is not a savings plan.** If you terminate your policy at any time other than during the cooling off period (see Cooling off period), you will not get any money back.

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## About us

### Issuer information

This product is issued and administered by:  
Zurich Australia Limited  
ABN 92 000 010 195, AFSLN 232510  
5 Blue Street North Sydney NSW 2060

Zurich is the insurer of the policy and is responsible for the issue of this PDS and the ongoing administration and operation of this product. Neither Bombora Advice nor 1300 Insurance underwrite or guarantee Zurich's obligations under the policy, including the payment of claims.

## What are the benefits?

### Death and Terminal illness benefits

The policy pays a lump sum benefit on death or on confirmed medical diagnosis of a terminal illness where your life expectancy is less than 12 months (supported by specialist medical practitioners and by Zurich's medical advisers). The amount payable under this Death benefit is reduced by any amount paid under the Cash advance benefit.

### Cash advance benefit

While a claim for the Death benefit is being settled, we will advance \$15,000 of the benefit towards payment of funeral or other expenses.

The Cash advance benefit will be paid once we have received a death certificate, or other proof of death which shows the cause of death, and your death is covered by this policy. We do not require probate or letters of administration for this benefit. The Cash advance benefit will be payable to your estate or to another person acceptable to us (see Benefit payments on page 3).

### Future insurability benefit

The Death benefit can be increased by a maximum of \$100,000 each year, up to the policy anniversary following your 54th birthday without our reassessment of your personal circumstances, if you:

- marry
- divorce
- become a parent (through the birth or adoption of a child)
- become a full-time carer
- become a widow or widower (through the death of your spouse).

The option can be exercised within 30 days of the policy anniversary following any of the specified events and you must provide us with evidence acceptable to us of the specified event. Your premiums will reflect this increase in cover.

### Inflation protection benefit

Your insurance cover is protected against the impact of inflation by an automatic increase to the benefit amount each year on your policy anniversary by the greater of 5% and the most recently published change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI)\*. Premiums will reflect this increase. Refer to the policy document for full details. You may decline any increase if you contact us.

\*'CPI' means the 'Weighted Average of Eight Capital Cities Index' as published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics or, if that index ceases to be published or is substantially amended, such other appropriate index as we will select.

### Are there any exclusions?

We will not pay a benefit where your death is as a result of suicide within 13 months of the start date of the cover, any increase in cover (but only in respect of the increase) or the latest reinstatement of the policy.

We will not pay a benefit where your death is as a result of an excluded condition at any time. Your responses to the application questions may result in a decline or a specified condition or exclusion being applied to your policy. If we intend to apply any additional exclusion to your policy, we will agree the exclusion with you before your cover begins and the exclusion will be shown on your policy schedule.

### Are there any significant risks?

There are certain risks associated with holding a 1300 Insurance Ezicover Life Insurance policy:

- if premiums are not paid when due, the policy will lapse meaning you will no longer be covered and you cannot make a claim
- your chosen level of cover may not be sufficient to provide adequate cover for your circumstances
- if you do not comply with your duty of disclosure, we may not pay your claim, pay only a portion of your claim or cancel your cover. See the section Your duty of disclosure on page 3.

### What is the cost of cover?

#### Premiums and charges

Your premium will depend on:

- your level of cover (the higher the sum insured, the higher the premium)
- your age (generally premiums increase each year in line with age)
- your gender (premiums are generally higher for males)
- whether or not you smoke (premiums are higher for smokers; a non-smoker is defined as a person who has not smoked tobacco or any other substance for the past 12 months)
- your health and
- any pastimes you participate in (generally premiums are higher for those who engage in hazardous activities).

Your premiums include any stamp duty charged by State governments as well as any other taxes that may be levied by State or Federal governments. Generally, your premium increases in line with your age and if your level of cover increases because of automatic indexation (see Inflation protection benefit).

On request, a table of premium rates and calculation methods will be provided. Premium rates are not guaranteed and can change from

time to time. Any change, however, will affect all policies in the same category, not just an individual policy.

Premiums are payable via credit card or direct debit from your Bank, Building Society or Credit Union account. Direct Debits from your financial institution may incur an additional fee. Any overpayment of premium will be retained by Zurich unless it exceeds \$5.

If Zurich changes premium rates or introduces any new charges, or there is an increase to current charges, you will be notified 30 days prior to such change taking effect.

Should changes in the law result in changes to or additional taxes or imposts in relation to your policy, these amounts may be added to your policy.

#### Multi-life discount of 10%

If we receive two applications at the same time and issue two 1300 Insurance Ezicover Life Insurance policies, the second consecutive policy will receive a 10% discount on the premium. For example, if you and your spouse both buy a 1300 Insurance Ezicover Life Insurance policy at the same time, your spouse will receive a 10% discount on the premium for their policy.

#### First month's cover is free

With 1300 Insurance Ezicover Life Insurance, your first month's cover is free, meaning no premiums are payable for the period of one month from the start date of your policy.

#### What if I don't pay my premium?

We can cancel your policy if a premium remains unpaid for 30 days after it was due. This means you will not be covered and you cannot make a claim.

### Applying for 1300 Insurance Ezicover Life Insurance

This policy is only available to Australian citizens or those holding Permanent Resident status of Australia, who are residing in Australia on a permanent basis, aged between 19 and 69 and receiving this PDS (including electronically) within Australia.

You can apply for cover online or by completing and submitting the Application Form accompanying this PDS. Depending on your age, you can apply for cover amounts between \$50,000 and \$1,500,000:

Maximum cover available	Eligible ages
\$1,500,000	19 to 45
\$1,000,000	46 to 54
\$750,000	55 to 59
\$500,000	60 to 69

Premiums can only be paid in Australian dollars.

## When does cover begin?

Your cover begins when we accept your application and issue you a policy document. This sets out the terms and conditions of your cover. You will also receive a policy schedule which outlines the start date and the specific details of your particular cover. These are important documents and should be read carefully. Please keep them in a safe place because you will need them to make a claim.

Each year Zurich will provide you with a notice stating your new premium amount and, where applicable, an offer to increase your level of cover in line with the increase in the CPI.

## When does cover end?

Your policy ends on the first to occur of the following:

- payment of the Terminal illness benefit
- the non-payment of any premium within 30 days of its due date
- on receipt of your written notification to terminate the policy
- the policy anniversary following your 99th birthday
- your death.

## Can I increase my cover?

You can apply to increase your cover under this policy up to the maximum cover available for your age at the date of the increase. Please refer to the table above. The maximum level of cover currently available is \$1,500,000.

You can also apply to increase your cover in accordance with the Future insurability benefit without reassessment of your personal circumstances.

## Additional information about Ezicover

### Promoter information

The promoter of this product is 1300 Insurance Pty Ltd, ABN 50 124 845 727, a Corporate Authorised Representative of Bombora Advice Pty Ltd ABN 40 156 250 565, AFSLN 439065, of Level 2, 406 Collins Street, Melbourne VIC 3000. The role of 1300 Insurance is limited to promotion only. It is not authorised to act on behalf of Zurich and cannot legally bind Zurich. Neither 1300 Insurance nor Bombora Advice has issued or caused the issue of the PDS and is not responsible for any statements in this PDS.

### Commission

Bombora Advice and 1300 Insurance receive commissions for the promotion of this product. Commissions are paid by Zurich to Bombora Advice and Bombora Advice will deduct its licensing fees before passing those commissions through to 1300 Insurance. Please refer to the Bombora Advice and 1300 Insurance Financial Services Guides for more information. These commissions are paid by Zurich and are not a separate charge to you.

### Up-to-date information

The information in this PDS is up to date at the date of issue. Certain information in this PDS may change from time to time – this includes but is not limited to possible changes which we have identified in this PDS. Where we indicate to you that we will give notice of such changes, then you will be advised of such changes in writing. Where other changes that are not materially adverse to you occur, we will update such information on our website, [www.zurich.com.au](http://www.zurich.com.au). A paper copy of the updated information will be available free of charge upon request if you contact us.

## 24 hour world wide cover

The policy provides you with cover 24 hours a day, seven days a week, world wide.

### Claims

All of the information you need about the claims process is set out in the policy document. You should read the policy document carefully when you receive it.

### Benefit payments

Benefits under this policy are payable to you, your estate, or another person acceptable to us. If you would prefer that benefits were paid to one or more beneficiaries nominated by you, you can contact us to set up a nomination.

### Taxation

In most cases, you cannot claim a tax deduction for the premiums you pay for your policy. Any benefit received would not normally be assessable for taxation purposes. This information is a guide only and is based on current taxation laws, their continuation and their interpretation. For information about your individual circumstances, contact your tax adviser.

### Guaranteed renewable

If you meet your obligations, including paying your premium when due, your policy cannot be cancelled by Zurich.

### Cooling off period

If after receiving your policy document you wish to cancel for any reason, you have a 30 day cooling off period during which time any premiums or charges paid will be fully refunded. To cancel please advise Zurich in writing and return your policy document.

You cannot cancel the policy and receive a refund if you exercise any rights in relation to your policy (for example, you make a claim) before the 30 day period has elapsed. You also cannot make a claim after cancelling your cover.

### Residency and compliance with laws

The Zurich worldwide group of companies has obligations under various Australian and foreign laws. Despite anything to the contrary in this or any other document related to the policy, your policy terms will operate subject to all laws with which a Zurich worldwide company considers it must comply. The policy is designed for Australian residents, and its operation and your rights may be restricted if you cease to be an Australian resident.

### If you have a complaint about your policy

Please contact us. We acknowledge all complaints within 5 days and we aim to resolve your complaint within 45 days (or up to 90 days if you agree). If you are not satisfied with our response or we haven't resolved the complaint within 45 days (or any extended period you approve) you can raise the matter with the Financial Ombudsman Service Limited, GPO Box 3, Melbourne, VIC 3001. The telephone number is 1300 780 808, or email [info@fos.org.au](mailto:info@fos.org.au).

### Your duty of disclosure

Before you enter into a contract of life insurance with us, you have a duty, under the Insurance Contracts Act 1984, to disclose to us every matter that you know, or could reasonably be expected to know, is relevant to our decision whether to accept the risk of the insurance and, if so, on what terms.

You have the same duty to disclose those matters to us before you extend, vary or reinstate a contract of life insurance.

Your duty of disclosure however does not require disclosure of a matter a) that diminishes the risk to be undertaken by us; b) that is common knowledge; c) that we know or, in the ordinary course of business, ought to know; or d) where we have waived compliance.

Your duty of disclosure continues until we have informed you as to whether we accept or decline your application. This means that you must advise us of any changes to the information included in your application up until the date that we confirm that the application has been accepted or declined.

In particular, you should advise us of any changes in medical or physical conditions, and of any visits to medical service providers.

#### **Non-disclosure**

If you fail to comply with your duty of disclosure and we would not have entered into the contract if the failure had not occurred, we may avoid the contract within 3 years of entering into it. If your non-disclosure is fraudulent, we may avoid the contract at any time.

If we do not avoid the contract we may, within 3 years of entering into it, elect not to avoid it but to reduce the sum that you have been insured for in accordance with a formula that takes into account the premium that would have been payable if you had disclosed all relevant matters to us.

#### **Your privacy**

Zurich collects your personal information (including sensitive information) to assess your application, administer your policy and enhance customer service or products ('purposes'). If you do not provide all information requested, we may not be able to issue or administer your policy. We may disclose your information, where relevant for the purposes, to affiliates of the Zurich Insurance Group Ltd, other insurers and reinsurers, our service providers, our business alliance partners or as required by law within Australia or overseas. These laws include the Australian Securities and Investment Commissions Act 2001, Corporations Act 2001, Insurance Contracts Act 1984, Life Insurance Act 1995, Anti Money Laundering and Counter Terrorism Financing Act 2006 and Income Tax Assessment Act 1997, as those acts are amended and any associated regulations. From time to time other acts may require, or authorise us to collect your personal information.

We may collect information about you from third parties to assess a claim. We may use personal information (but not sensitive information) collected about you to notify you of other products and services we offer. If you do not want your personal information to be used in this way, please contact us. For further information on the service providers and business partners that we may disclose your information to, a list of countries in which recipients of your information are likely to be located, details of how you can access or correct the information we hold about you or make a complaint, please refer to the Zurich Privacy Policy, available at [www.zurich.com.au](http://www.zurich.com.au) or contact us on 132 687.

#### **Direct debit request service agreement**

The Account Holder (ie. you or the person whose account is used to pay the premiums) needs to agree to the Direct Debit Request Service Agreement which sets out the terms and conditions on which the Account Holder has authorised Zurich to debit money from their account, and the obligations of Zurich and the Account Holder under this Agreement. This information will be forwarded with your policy documents, and can also be found at [www.zurich.com.au](http://www.zurich.com.au).