

POLICY NUMBER:

COMMERCIAL AUTO
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THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

VERMONT UNINSURED MOTORISTS COVERAGE

For a covered "auto" licensed or principally garaged in, or "garage operations" conducted in, Vermont, this endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

BUSINESS AUTO COVERAGE FORM
GARAGE COVERAGE FORM
MOTOR CARRIER COVERAGE FORM
TRUCKERS COVERAGE FORM

With respect to coverage provided by this endorsement, the provisions of the Coverage Form apply unless modified by the endorsement.

This endorsement changes the policy effective on the inception date of the policy unless another date is indicated below.

Named Insured:
Endorsement Effective Date:
Countersignature Of Authorized Representative
Name:
Title:
Signature:
Date:

SCHEDULE

Limit Of Insurance		
Bodily Injury:	\$	Each "Accident"
Property Damage:	\$ 10,000	Each "Accident"
Information required to complete this Schedule, if not shown above, will be shown in the Declarations.		

A. Coverage

1. We will pay all sums the "insured" is legally entitled to recover as compensatory damages from the owner or driver of an "uninsured motor vehicle". The damages must result from "bodily injury" sustained by the "insured", or "property damage" caused by an "accident". The owner's or driver's liability for these damages must result from the ownership, maintenance or use of the "uninsured motor vehicle".
2. With respect to damages resulting from an "accident" with a vehicle described in Paragraph **b.** of the definition of "uninsured motor vehicle", we will pay under the coverage selected under this endorsement only if Paragraph **a.** or **b.** below applies:
 - a. The limit of any applicable liability bonds or policies have been exhausted by payment of judgments or settlements; or
 - b. A tentative settlement has been made between an "insured" and the insurer of the vehicle described in Paragraph **b.** of the definition of "uninsured motor vehicle" and we:
 - (1) Have been given prompt written notice of such tentative settlement; and
 - (2) Advance payment to the "insured" in an amount equal to the tentative settlement within 30 days after receipt of notification.
3. Any judgment for damages arising out of a "suit" brought without our written consent is not binding on us.

B. Who Is An Insured

If the Named Insured is designated in the Declarations as:

1. An individual, then the following are "insureds":
 - a. The Named Insured and any "family members".
 - b. Anyone else "occupying" a covered "auto" or a temporary substitute for a covered "auto". The covered "auto" must be out of service because of its breakdown, repair, servicing, "loss" or destruction.
 - c. Anyone for damages he or she is entitled to recover because of "bodily injury" sustained by another "insured".

2. A partnership, limited liability company, corporation or any other form of organization, then the following are "insureds":

- a. Anyone "occupying" a covered "auto" or a temporary substitute for a covered "auto". The covered "auto" must be out of service because of its breakdown, repair, servicing, "loss" or destruction.
- b. Anyone for damages he or she is entitled to recover because of "bodily injury" sustained by another "insured".
- c. The Named Insured for "property damage" only.

C. Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to any of the following:

1. Any claim settled by the "insured" or any legal representative of the "insured" with the owner or driver of an "uninsured motor vehicle" without our consent, if the settlement prejudices our right to recover payments. However, this exclusion does not apply to a settlement made with the insurer of a vehicle described in Paragraph **b.** of the definition of "uninsured motor vehicle" in accordance with the procedure described in Paragraph **A.2.b.**
2. The direct or indirect benefit of any insurer or self-insurer under any workers' compensation, disability benefits or similar law.
3. The direct or indirect benefit of any insurer of property.
4. Damage to:
 - a. Any vehicle, or
 - b. Any property contained in or struck by any vehicle owned by the Named Insured or, if the Named Insured is an individual, any "family member" which is not a covered "auto".
5. The first \$150 of the amount of each claim for "property damage" sustained by an "insured" in any one "accident". This deductible applies only to direct physical damage to:
 - a. A covered "auto"; or
 - b. The property of an "insured".However, this exclusion does not apply if there is valid and collectible "auto" physical damage coverage applicable to that damage under this or any other policy.

6. Anyone using a vehicle without a reasonable belief that the person is entitled to do so.
7. "Property damage" for which the "insured" has been compensated by other property or physical damage coverage, including any physical damage coverage under this policy.
8. Punitive or exemplary damages.
9. "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising directly or indirectly out of:
 - a. War, including undeclared or civil war;
 - b. Warlike action by a military force, including action in hindering or defending against an actual or expected attack, by any government, sovereign or other authority using military personnel or other agents; or
 - c. Insurrection, rebellion, revolution, usurped power, or action taken by governmental authority in hindering or defending against any of these.

D. Limit Of Insurance

1. Regardless of the number of covered "autos", "insureds", premiums paid, claims made or vehicles involved in the "accident", the most we will pay for all damages resulting from any one "accident":
 - a. For "bodily injury" is the limit of Uninsured Motorists Coverage shown in the Schedule or Declarations; and
 - b. For "property damage" is \$10,000 per claim.
2. With respect to damages resulting from an "accident" with a vehicle described in Paragraph **b.** of the definition of "uninsured motor vehicle", the Limit of Insurance shall be reduced by all sums paid by or for anyone who is legally responsible, including all sums paid under this Coverage Form's Liability Coverage.
3. No one will be entitled to receive duplicate payments for the same elements of "loss" under this Coverage Form and any Liability Coverage Form or Medical Payments Coverage Endorsement attached to this Coverage Part.
We will not make a duplicate payment under this coverage for any element of "loss" for which payment has been made by or for anyone who is legally responsible.

E. Changes In Conditions

The conditions are changed for Uninsured Motorists Coverage as follows:

1. **Other Insurance** in the Business Auto and Garage Coverage Forms and **Other Insurance – Primary And Excess Insurance Provisions** in the Truckers and Motor Carrier Coverage Forms are changed by addition of the following:
 - a. The reference to "other collectible insurance" applies only to other collectible uninsured motorists insurance.
 - b. Any insurance we provide with respect to a vehicle owned by the Named Insured or, if the Named Insured is an individual, any "family member", that is not a covered "auto" for Uninsured Motorists Coverage under this Coverage Form, shall be excess over any other collectible uninsured motorists insurance providing coverage on a primary basis.
2. **Duties In The Event Of Accident, Claim, Suit Or Loss** is changed by adding the following:
 - a. Promptly notify the police if a hit-and-run driver is involved, and
 - b. Promptly send us copies of the legal papers if a "suit" is brought.
 - c. A person seeking coverage from an insurer, owner or operator of a vehicle described in Paragraph **b.** of the definition of "uninsured motor vehicle" must also promptly notify us in writing of a tentative settlement between the "insured" and the insurer and allow us to advance payment to that "insured" in an amount equal to the tentative settlement within 30 days after receipt of notification to preserve our rights against the insurer, owner or operator of such vehicle.
3. **Transfer Of Rights Of Recovery Against Others To Us** is changed by adding the following:
If we make any payment and the "insured" recovers from another party, the "insured" shall hold the proceeds in trust for us and pay us back the amount we have paid.
However, if the "insured" settles with or recovers against any person, any reimbursement due to us under this section shall be reduced by deducting a fair portion of all reasonable expenses of recovery incurred in effecting the settlement or recovery. The expenses of recovery shall be apportioned between the parties as their interests appear at the time of the settlement or recovery.

Our rights do not apply under this provision with respect to damages caused by an "accident" with a vehicle described in Paragraph **b.** of the definition of "uninsured motor vehicle" if we:

- a. Have been given prompt written notice of a tentative settlement between an "insured" and the insurer of a vehicle described in Paragraph **b.** of the definition of "uninsured motor vehicle"; and
- b. Fail to advance payment to the "insured" in an amount equal to the tentative settlement within 30 days after receipt of notification.

If we advance payment to the "insured" in an amount equal to the tentative settlement within 30 days after receipt of notification:

- a. That payment will be separate from any amount the "insured" is entitled to recover under the provisions of Uninsured Motorists Coverage; and
- b. We also have a right to recover the advance payment.

4. The Two Or More Coverage Forms Or Policies Issued By Us Condition does not apply.

5. The following condition is added:

ARBITRATION

- a. If we and an "insured" disagree whether the "insured" is legally entitled to recover damages from the owner or driver of an "uninsured motor vehicle" or do not agree as to the amount of damages that are recoverable by that "insured", then the matter may be arbitrated. However, disputes concerning coverage under this endorsement may not be arbitrated. Both parties must agree to arbitration. If so agreed, each party will select an arbitrator. The two arbitrators will select a third. If they cannot agree within 30 days, either may request that selection be made by a judge of a court having jurisdiction. Each party will pay the expenses it incurs and bear the expenses of the third arbitrator equally.
- b. Unless both parties agree otherwise, arbitration will take place in the county in which the "insured" lives. Local rules of law as to arbitration procedure and evidence will apply. A decision agreed to by two of the arbitrators will be binding.

F. Additional Definitions

As used in this endorsement:

1. "Family member" means a person related to an individual Named Insured by blood, marriage or adoption, who is a resident of such Named Insured's household, including a ward or foster child.
2. "Occupying" means in, upon, getting in, on, out or off.
3. "Property damage" means injury to or destruction of the property of an "insured".
4. "Uninsured motor vehicle" means a land motor vehicle or "trailer":

- a. For which no liability bond or policy applies at the time of an "accident";
- b. That is an underinsured motor vehicle. An underinsured motor vehicle is a land motor vehicle or "trailer" for which the sum of all liability bonds or policies at the time of an "accident" provides at least the amounts required by the applicable law where a covered "auto" is principally garaged but:

(1) That sum is less than the sum of the limits of this coverage applicable to the "insured"; or

(2) The available liability insurance has been reduced by payments to others injured in the "accident" to an amount which is less than the limits of this coverage applicable to the "insured".

- c. For which an insuring or bonding company denies coverage or is or becomes insolvent; or
- d. Which is a hit-and-run vehicle and neither the driver nor owner can be identified. The vehicle must hit an "insured", a covered "auto", a vehicle an "insured" is "occupying" or the property of an "insured".

However, "uninsured motor vehicle" does not include any vehicle:

- a. Owned or operated by a self-insurer under any applicable motor vehicle law, except a self-insurer who is or who becomes insolvent and cannot provide the amounts required by that motor vehicle law.
- b. Owned by a governmental unit or agency while being used within the scope of permission of that governmental unit or agency; or
- c. Designed for use mainly off public roads while not on public roads.