

Gas Central Heating Breakdown Cover

Summary of Cover

This policy provides insurance for homeowners in the event of certain domestic incidents.

A summary of the main benefits and exclusions under the policy is set out below. **For a full description of what is and what is not covered, please see the policy terms and conditions.**

Examples of what is covered	Examples of what is not covered
<p>Gas Central Heating Breakdown</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ A leak within or breakdown of the 'natural gas' gas central heating boiler, the central heating system and its associated pipework ✓ Drain down and isolation of leaking water tanks, radiators and hot water cylinders ✓ Inability to control the temperature or timings of your boiler ✓ There is no claims limit and no limit to the number of claims provided the boiler is not beyond economical repair <p>If you suffer a gas leak, you should first call the National Gas Emergency Service immediately on 0800 111 999</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> × Repair, replacement or continued coverage of a boiler which is beyond economical repair (i.e. if the cost of parts inc VAT is more than 85% of the retail price of the boiler). × Systems specifically stated to be not covered, including; LPG systems, unvented cylinders, fan heating, under floor heating, warm air heating × Repairs if we have advised you to carry out maintenance work to prevent a future breakdown (until that work is complete) × Repairs, where due to obsolete parts, we can no longer cover you (your policy will have been cancelled)
<p>Annual Boiler Service Your policy includes provision for an annual gas boiler service. This is not an element of insurance and therefore is not part of the contract of insurance, underwritten by the underwriter and is not regulated by the FSA. You will also not therefore have the right to refer a complaint relating to this service to the Financial Ombudsman Service. We will contact you to arrange for an engineer to service the gas fired boiler to statutory requirements, manufacturer's recommendations and relevant codes of practice. Boiler services are normally undertaken Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm, between April and September.</p>	

Claims limits include the cost of labour, materials and VAT as applicable.

Who is eligible to apply?

This policy is for homeowners only. Retail, commercial and other premises used for business are not eligible for this cover, and council and housing association tenants will not need this service. The property must be your permanent home and owned and solely occupied by you and your family as a private residence with no business use. Mobile homes, bedsits, sub-divided homes and let and sub-let properties are not covered.

Do I already have cover elsewhere?

Homeowners should check if their existing home insurance or other policies provide cover, expert assistance and repairs in the event of the domestic incidents covered by this policy so you are not paying for cover you do not need.

Who provides this policy?

This policy is provided by Inter Partner Assistance SA (IPA), which is fully owned by the AXA Assistance Group. Inter Partner Assistance is a Belgian firm of Avenue Louise, 166 bte1, 1050, Brussels, which is authorised in Belgium by l'Authorité des Services et Marchés Financiers and has a UK branch office regulated by the Financial Services Authority (FSA) (FSA register number 202664). IPA's registered UK address is The Quadrangle, 106 - 118 Station Road, Redhill, Surrey, RH1 1PR, registered company number FC008998. It is arranged and administered by HomeServe, which is a trading name of HomeServe Membership Limited, Cable Drive, Walsall, WS2 7BN (Registered in England no. 2770612) which is authorised and regulated by the FSA (FSA registered number 312518) for advising on and arranging general insurance products. The regulatory status of IPA and HomeServe can be checked by visiting the FSA's website www.fsa.gov.uk/register/home.do or by contacting the FSA on 0845 606 1234 (call rates may vary).

When will I be covered?

For new policy holders, your policy starts the day your application is processed. To prevent claims on existing problems and to keep premiums low, there is an initial exclusion period of 28 days when you will not be covered, giving you 11 months' cover in your first year. For existing policy holders, if you decide to renew your policy before the date of expiry, there will be no exclusion period at renewal.

How can this policy be cancelled?

The cancellation period is 28 days after your policy start date which is inclusive of your 14 day statutory cancellation period. For further details of the cancellation terms, please see the policy terms and conditions.

What happens at the end of the policy period?

Your premium may increase at renewal. In addition, if you make any claim on your policy this may affect your future premiums. You will receive your new policy documentation in advance of renewal to give you time to consider whether the cover is still right for you. If you pay by Direct Debit or credit/debit card, excluding Maestro payments, your cover will automatically renew on the terms in your new policy documents unless you tell HomeServe you do not wish to renew. If you choose any other method of payment you will be sent an invitation to renew prior to your renewal date which will explain how you can renew.

Please read the policy terms and conditions for further information.