



DETERIORATION OF STOCK SECTION

Defined events

Loss of or damage to the insured property specified in the schedule caused by deterioration due to unforeseen physical loss of or damage to the machinery specified in the machinery breakdown section and indemnifiable under the machinery breakdown section in force

Provided that the liability of the company during any one year of insurance shall not exceed the limit of indemnity stated in the schedule in respect of each item specified.

Specific exceptions

The company shall not be liable for:

1. loss arising within the no-claim period stated in the schedule of goods stored in the refrigeration chambers due to deviation from the prescribed refrigeration temperature, unless deterioration is caused by contamination as a result of leakage of refrigerant or by accidental freezing of goods or unless fresh goods that have not yet reached the prescribed refrigeration temperature are affected thereby;
no-claim period is defined as the time period immediately following cessation of cooling during which, with the storage room left sealed, no deterioration would take place;
2. loss to the goods stored arising as a result of shrinkage, inherent defects or diseases, natural deterioration or natural putrefaction;
3. loss arising from improper storage, damage to packing material, insufficient circulation of air, non-uniformity of temperature;
4. loss caused by temporary repair carried out without the company's consent of the refrigeration machinery specified in the insured's list of machinery;
5. penalties for delay, consequential loss or damage or liability of any nature whatsoever;
6. loss or damage directly or indirectly caused by, or arising out of, or aggravated by
 - (a) the wilful act or wilful negligence of the insured or his representatives;
 - (b) fire, lightning, chemical explosion, extinguishing of a fire or subsequent demolition, aircraft or other aerial devices or articles dropped therefrom, theft or attempts thereat, collapse of buildings, flood, inundation, earthquake, subsidence, landslide, avalanche, hurricane, cyclone, volcanic eruption or other natural catastrophes.

Specific conditions

This section shall apply only if

1. the refrigeration machinery is insured under an in force machinery breakdown section;
2. the insured refrigeration machinery is connected to an automatic alarm system in an attended location;
3. the stock is not stored in "controlled atmosphere" chambers;
4. at the time of the loss or damage the goods are stored in the refrigeration chambers;
5. the insured maintains on a daily basis a stock book in which the type, quantity and value of the goods stored and the beginning and the end of the storage period are entered separately for each refrigeration chamber;
6. the sum insured is equal to the estimated maximum selling price obtainable for the stored goods during the period of this section. The insured shall be obliged to furnish the company not later than 10 days after the close of each month either with copies of the aforesaid stock books or with a duly completed declaration showing the average quantity and value per day of the goods stored during the preceding month (monthly declaration).

The monthly declaration shall be based on the selling price obtainable for the goods.

Stock book copies and monthly declarations shall be regarded as forming an integral part of this policy.

The sum insured shall be reduced by any indemnity paid under this section for the remaining policy period unless it has been reinstated by payment of a pro rata additional premium, from the date of the insured loss or damage for the remaining portion of the (annual) period of insurance;

7. all claims shall be settled on the basis of the value stated in the monthly declaration immediately prior to the occurrence of the loss or the selling price that would have been obtainable, whichever is the lesser. When determining the indemnity the company shall take into consideration all circumstances that may influence the amount of indemnity, such as proceeds from a sale of goods as well as storage costs saved due to the termination of the storage.

If after the occurrence of a partial loss it is found that the last monthly declaration preceding the loss is less than the amount that ought to have been declared, then the amount which would have been recoverable by the insured shall be reduced in such proportion as the amount of the said last monthly declaration bears to the amount that ought to have been declared.

Optional conditions

Constant supervision (if stated in the schedule to be included)

The insured refrigeration machinery is under constant supervision by qualified personnel.

Temperature readings (if stated in the schedule to be included)

During the entire period of storage, the insured records in a logbook the condition of the insured goods and at least three temperature readings per day from each refrigeration chamber, the accuracy of the temperature readings being verified by means of a calibrated, independent reference thermometer at least every 14 days.