

Pet Insurance

Additional Information Guide (AIG)



What is this document?

This Additional Information Guide (AIG) is designed to provide you with general information regarding your policy.

This AIG does not form part of your insurance policy with us.

Your insurance policy is made up of your Product Disclosure Statement, your Certificate of Insurance and any Supplementary Product Disclosure Statement. These documents contain your policy terms and conditions including details of what we cover, the policy limits and conditions, as well as any exclusions that could apply.

This AIG provides the following general information:

01 Your policy documents

The documents that make up your policy are:

- Product Disclosure Statement
- Certificate of Insurance
- Supplementary Product Disclosure Statement

Other documents that don't make up your policy but provide important information:

- Additional Information Guide
- Target Market Determination

02 Premiums and discounts

How we calculate your premium, the factors that affect your premium and what discounts may be available.

03 Excesses and claims examples

Information about the types of excesses that may apply and some helpful claim settlement examples.

04 Other information

Other information including some additional member benefits and the Financial Claims Scheme.

01 Your policy documents

Documents that make up your policy

Your policy includes your Product Disclosure Statement, your Certificate of Insurance and any Supplementary Product Disclosure Statement. These documents show the conditions that apply to your policy.

Please read all these documents together to understand how your insurance will apply.



1. Product Disclosure Statement (PDS)

The PDS sets out the conditions that apply to your policy including what we do and don't cover, the exclusions that apply under your policy and what we pay when you make a claim.

We give you a PDS with your Certificate of Insurance when you take out a new policy with us. You can download a free copy of our PDS from racq.com.au/insurance/insurance-disclosure-documents.



2. Certificate of Insurance (COI)

Your COI shows the type of cover that applies to your policy and also shows any specific details that apply to your policy. You should check the details to make sure they are correct.

For example, your policy number, pet details, any special conditions that apply, the premium for your policy and what excesses apply to your policy.



3. Supplementary Product Disclosure Statement (SPDS)

If we need to make a change to the PDS conditions, we may issue an SPDS which sets out the change. If we issue an SPDS, we will give you a copy.

Documents that are not part of your policy

The documents below do not form part of your policy. These documents provide you with general information about the product and may assist you to see if it meets your needs.



Additional Information Guide (AIG)

The AIG contains details about premium calculations, pricing factors, excesses, claim settlement examples, the Financial Claims Scheme and other information that may be relevant to you. You can download a free copy from racq.com.au/insurance/insurance-disclosure-documents or contact us.



Target Market Determination (TMD)

The TMD describes who the products have been designed for and the different types of cover for you to determine if they will meet your needs.

02 Premiums and discounts

Premium

Your premium

Your premium is the amount you pay for the cover we give you under your policy. It includes any government statutory charges, levies, duties, GST or other taxes that may apply.

How we calculate your premium

To calculate your premium, we assess various items of information including details about you and your pet, which we call premium factors.

We calculate your premium based on:

- your individual circumstances (i.e. type of pet, age, location etc)
- any discounts applied
- the optional benefit (if selected)
- selected excess
- government charges, taxes or levies applicable.

Your premium may also be affected or changed due to other considerations, some of these include:

- the cost of claims we have paid and expect to pay in the future
- data we have collected on premium factors
- third party data, market adjustments and other commercial factors
- the cost of running our business or
- government statutory charges.

The importance of the premium factors we use and the way in which we combine them to determine your premium varies from person to person and may change. We may alter how much each factor varies your premium and we may add or remove factors over time. The information we use in relation to these premium factors may be collected from you or from other sources.

We don't apply premium discounts to any government statutory charges such as GST and stamp duty or to the portion of your premium which relates to payment frequency.

If you are entitled to more than one discount, the discounts will be applied consecutively (that is, after the first discount is applied, the next discount will be applied to the already discounted premium). We may apply rounding in calculating premiums.

When you change or renew your policy, we review your premium and may increase or decrease it in line with any relevant changes to your circumstances. We may choose to limit the amount of any premium increase or decrease you experience on renewal.

Premium factors

The following table shows some of the factors that we may consider in determining your premium. Premium factors may be different depending on the type of cover you have selected. This is not an exhaustive list of the factors we consider. We may add or remove premium factors.

Premium factors	
You	
Age Your age.	
Your pet	
Characteristics of your pet The age of your cat or dog as well as its breed.	
Address and location Where your pet normally lives.	
Your policy choices	
Excess amount What basic excess amount you have selected.	
Optional benefit If you have chosen the optional benefit.	
Premium payment frequency Paying as monthly instalments or as a single annual payment.	

Discounts

What discounts can be applied to your premium

Discounts are also a factor that can affect your premium. We don't apply any discounts to additional premiums arising from your policy choices in relation to the portion of your premium which relates to payment frequency.

We also don't apply discounts to any government statutory charges such as GST and stamp duty that are included in the cost of your insurance.

From time to time, we may also offer other discounts or incentives. If we do, separate terms and conditions may apply. We may withdraw or vary any discounts or incentives at any time, including by changing eligibility rules or the amount of the discount. Information about the discounts we offer and who is entitled to the discounts is available at racq.com/insurance on the Insurance discounts page or on request.

A discount will only apply to you if you are entitled to the discount based on your circumstances and the discount continues to be offered by us at the time you take out your policy, or for any renewal of your policy, on the date the renewal is effective. For some discounts, you will only be able to access the discount if you ask us to apply the discounts and we confirm you are entitled to the discount. You may need to give us information for us to assess whether we will apply a discount to you.

The key discounts that are offered are summarised in the following table:

Discounts	
Roadside Assistance loyalty discount If any policyholder holds RACQ Roadside Assistance (excludes Business Roadside Assistance).	
Multi policy discount If any policyholder has 3 or more qualifying policies with RACQ Insurance.	

Visit racq.com/insurance for more details about discounts and eligibility.

03 Excesses and claims examples

An excess is the amount you contribute towards the cost of each claim you make. Your COI will show any excesses that apply to your policy. More than one excess may apply to a single claim.

Excess amounts

The basic excess applies to each new individual injury or illness claim.

Basic excess	As shown on your COI
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The additional excess is paid on top of the basic excess. An additional excess may be applied based on criminal history you have disclosed to us.

Additional excess	As shown on your COI
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Types of excesses

Your COI will show the excesses that apply to your policy. One or both of the below excesses may apply to a single claim.

Basic excess

Your basic excess applies for each new individual injury or illness your pet is treated for even if your pet was treated during the same consultation or under the same general anaesthetic for more than one condition. The amount that you contribute to the claim is shown on your COI.

For example, your pet has treatment for both lameness and a lump removal during the same consultation or general anaesthetic, this will be classed as two separate conditions and two excesses will be payable.

However, if you need to make more than one claim for continuing treatment of an individual illness or injury, the excess is only payable on the first claim unless the treatment carries over into the following period of insurance. In that case, the excess would be payable again on the first claim made in that following period of insurance.

For example, your pet is diagnosed with a condition and requires eight treatments during one period of insurance and another four treatments in the following period of insurance. The excess will be applied to the first claim made in the initial period of insurance in which the condition is treated, as well as to the first claim made in each subsequent period of insurance.

Additional excess

An additional excess may apply if a non-removable excess is shown on your COI.

Claim settlement examples

We have provided the following examples as a guide to help you get a clearer picture of how a claim settlement could typically be calculated.

These are examples only and won't cover all situations where an incident might occur and might not include all available benefits or outcomes. The examples provided do not form part of your policy terms and conditions - they are a guide only.

When assessing actual claims, RACQ Insurance always assesses each claim on an individual basis.

Make sure you understand what is and isn't covered under your insurance policy by reading your PDS, your COI and any SPDS.

Notes about the following claim examples:

- all amounts are shown in Australian dollars and are inclusive of GST,
- all examples assume that you are not registered for GST and
- any excesses used in the examples may not be the same as your excess. Your COI will show you any excesses which are included in your policy.

Example 1 – 80% Benefit

Your pet has vet bills of \$1,000 and your basic excess is \$100.

The claim settlement amount is calculated as below:

80% of vet bills	\$ 800
Less basic excess	<u>-\$ 100</u>
Total claim settlement to you	\$ 700

Example 2 – 80% Benefit with \$2,600 Cruciate ligament conditions sub-limit

Your pet suffers a cruciate ligament injury and has vet bills of \$3,800 and your basic excess is \$200.

The claim settlement amount is calculated as below:

80% of vet bills	\$ 3,040
Less basic excess	<u>-\$ 200</u>
	<u>\$ 2,840</u>
Cruciate ligament conditions sub-limit	\$2,600
Total claim settlement to you	\$2,600

In this example, the amount of \$2,840 is more than the Cruciate ligament conditions sub-limit of \$2,600. Therefore the claim settlement is capped at the sub-limit amount of \$2,600.

04 other information

Additional member benefits

As a member of RACQ you gain access to the RACQ Member Benefits program. RACQ Member Benefits is focused on helping members make everyday life easier and more affordable with discounts and offers across fuel, movies, eGift cards, shopping and more. You can find all of your member benefits at racq.com.au/membership/benefits-and-discounts.

Financial Claims Scheme

The Financial Claims Scheme protects general insurance policyholders from potential loss if an institution fails. You may be entitled to a payment under the Financial Claims Scheme if you meet their eligibility criteria. If you want more information about the scheme, you can:



call

1300 558 849



visit the Financial Claims Scheme website at

www.apra.gov.au/financial-claims-scheme-0

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