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## **Product Oversight & Governance (POG) Decision Register**

Product	CAR LIABILITY & GENERAL LIABILITY – Stand Alone
Insurer	Chaucer Insurance DAC
Directors/Manager	Phillip Oliver
<b>Date of Completion</b>	26/03/2025
Date of Last / Next Review	March 2024 / March 2026

PRODUCT APPROVAL PROCESS	
Has the complexity of the product been considered?	Yes, the product complexity has been considered and it is tailored for this sector of the industry and customers will be commercial clients such as Sole Traders, Limited Companies and Partnerships.
Is there sufficient information on the product for customers and is it readily available?	Yes, there is sufficient information available for the customer on the product which is contained within policy summary, wording, and key benefits documents.
What is the nature of the product? Has the scale and complexity of the business of the relevant Insurer/Manufacturer/Distributor been considered?	The nature of the product is tailored for this sector of the industry.  Yes, we have approached appropriate Insurers who offer Commercial Combined insurance as a speciality. The Insurers have the relevant expertise for this class of business. Distribution is via regulated sub-brokers who work with us collaboratively to ensure compliance with PROD.
What are the main characteristics and features of the insurance product?	This is a specialist product offering:  - Employers' Liability (£10m LOI)  - Public / Products Liability (Flexible Indemnity limits up to £5m)  Cover for Material Damage and Business Interruption is also available under a Commercial Combined, Package or Contractors All Risks policy.
What does the insurance cover?	Employers' Liability (£10m LOI) Public / Products Liability (Flexible Indemnity limits up to £5m) All tailored to meet the individual requirements of the client.
What does the insurance NOT cover?	Risks falling outside United Kingdom, Northern Ireland, Channel Islands, and Isle of Man.
Are there any restrictions on cover?	The policy provides "tailored" covers as requested at the time of Inception and Renewal by the Insured/Broker. Limits can be increased on request.
Where can further information about the policy terms be found?	The Policy Wording, Summary of Cover and Key Benefits document.

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	TARGET MARKET	
Who is the target market?	The target market will be micro, SME, sole trader operations. The product is focused on customers who require this type of tailored stand-alone coverage as opposed to a "Package" of covers with pre-set limits. Their characteristics are commercial clients who require a tailored product specific to their individual needs.	
What are the potential risks posed to the identified target market and how will these be managed?	The potential risks would be minimal as cover is tailored to meet the specific requirements of the client and the Limits are flexible to meet the Insured's precise needs. Cover is flexible and the Limits can be changed to meet the Insured's requirements.	
Who is this product not suitable for?	Risks with a Total exposure of more than £5,000,000 for Public & Products Liability & £10m for Employers' Liability.  Commercial enterprises outside of the United Kingdom, Channel Islands, and Isle of Man.  Retail "Consumers" within the FCA definition where the trade is not their main occupation or field of expertise.	
What reasonable steps will be taken to ensure that the product is distributed to the identified target market?	We recognise we are not distributing the product directly to customers and therefore ensure it is sold via regulated professional insurance brokers who also have a duty to ensure the product meets their clients' needs.	

VULNERABLE CUSTOMERS	
Are there likely to be any	We will maintain awareness of any clients who the broker
Vulnerable Customers to the	indicates may be vulnerable, are in financial distress or if they
product?	are/were non-domiciled in the UK and English could be their
	second language.
What are the potential risks posed	We have a dedicated Vulnerable Customer Policy & Procedure
to Vulnerable Customers and how	which robustly details how staff at DOA identify and assist any
will these be managed?	identified Vulnerable customers with any potential risks faced.
	Where a potential vulnerable customer may not understand the
	content of the policy or coverage our distribution strategy utilises
	regulated professional Insurance brokers who act on their client's
	behalf and can relay the content on accordingly if the client is
	having difficulty understanding the documentation. Furthermore
	we have also created a dedicated Accessibility webpage which
	may assist customer understanding.

	PRODUCT TESTING
Has the product been	This product has been available since 2018, during which time the
appropriately tested, including	product has been tested via our select panel of partner brokers,
scenario analyses where relevant,	who have been able to determine that this product meets the
before bringing it to market,	requirements of the target market. A review of similar products
significantly adapting it, or if the	has been done and DOA will continue to review on an ongoing
target market has significantly	basis when any significant changes are made, to ensure the
changed? Also, does the product	product remains suitable for the intended market. A product
over its lifetime meets the	performance review is now in place, consisting of data capture
identified needs, objectives, and	and analysis covering quote conversion, renewal retention,
characteristics of the target	cancellations & claim repudiations and more as detailed below.
market?	



DISTRIBUTION STRATEGY	
What are the intended distribution	The intended distribution strategy is for the product to be sold via
channels and are these appropriate	regulated professional insurance brokers who have agencies with
for the target market?	DOA. Such brokers will appropriately market the product to
	ensure it meets the needs of the target market above.
Is all appropriate information on	Yes. Along with a policy summary, policy wording we also
the product, approval process and	distribute key benefits of the policy to further highlight the details.
the identified target market made	Our website offers a breakdown of the products also. These are all
available to distributors so they	available throughout the customer journey. A copy of this Product
can understand the identified	Review form is available at all times on the website.
target market and be able to	
identify any customers for whom	
the product is not suitable?	

REMUNERATION	
Is the pricing clear and transparent to end customers and others in the chain?	Yes, the pricing is clear to all and is detailed on the NB/RNWL schedule.
How will we ensure we continue to operate fair pricing practices for this product?	All renewals are reviewed annually to ensure the best possible terms are provided. Terms and conditions are detailed within the DOA Underwriting Guide. Annual rate increases and commissions are in keeping with the individual binding agreements with the ultimate insurer.
Does the commission splits agreed between Insurers / Underwriters / Brokers bear proportionate resemblance to the work being done for the client?	The remuneration that DOA receives from Insurers is commensurate with the work undertaken and the account management procedures that are required of us. The overall remuneration received from this Insurer is 35% which is in keeping with the market standards for Underwriting agencies of our standing.  Remuneration being ceded to our broker partners is in keeping with market standards and varies slightly but on average amounts to between 65% to 75% of the total commission received.  On occasion, modified commissions may be individually agreed between DOA and the Broker at Inception or renewal.  This is considered fair and reasonably reflects the amount of work involved by each party on behalf of the client. A review of down-line commissions has been undertaken and is considered to be fair and reasonable.
Are Insurers / Underwriters / Brokers making additional money through fees, charges, and premium finance arrangements?	The Standard Fees are £35 applied to MTA's and a maximum 10% of Return Premium on Cancellations. The below shows the charges applied at New & Renewal review, in relation to the Premium. $< £500 = £65$ $£501 - £1,000 = £75$ $£1,001 - £2,499 = £85$ $£2,500 - £4,999 = £100$ $£5,000 - £9,999 = £150$ $> £10,000 = £200$ Higher fees my occasionally be applied to support additional time input where required. There are no hidden charges. Fees are approved by Insurers and stated on the NB/RNWL schedules. Premium finance is not actively sold. Our Brokers add their own fees. We have reviewed these fees and believe fair value is being maintained throughout.



PRODUCT VALUE	
Is everyone in the distribution	In conjunction with carefully vetted and well-respected Insurers,
chain providing ultimate value to	DOA has developed this policy wording specifically to meet the
the end consumer?	needs of the clients operating within this trade sector. Pricing and
	coverage are regularly monitored to provide the best levels of
	cover and for the best price to ensure value and peace of mind. We
	also only deal with professional Insurance intermediaries who are
	competent within this sector to provide the advice and service
	required for the end consumer.
	DOA have reviewed down-line broker fees and additional
	charges, and these are considered to be fair and reasonable.
Does the product in question	Yes. DOA also review policy wordings on a regular basis to
provide value to end customers	ensure the best cover is maintained/provided.
both now, for the foreseeable	Each client case is reviewed on an annual basis to ensure that best
future i.e. policy term, and at	pricing and coverage is offered in order to provide security and
potential future renewals? If not,	peace of mind. In addition, our overall review of this product and
what further actions are required?	PROD MI assures us the product provides value to end customers.

MONITORING/ONGOING REVIEW		
How will the product be continuously monitored and regularly reviewed, and who by?	The product will be continually monitored and regularly reviewed at least annually or when any significant changes are made, to ensure the product remains suitable for the intended market. A product performance review is now in place, consisting of data capture and analysis covering quote conversion, renewal retention, cancellations & claim repudiations. A dedicated Product Oversight & Governance Committee has been established, working with our Insurer partners to ensure all compliance with the new requirements and we also have a Product Oversight & Governance Policy & Procedure covering our review and monitoring framework.	

	CONFLICTS OF INTEREST	
Do you foresee any	Making an unfair and/or unreasonable profit at the customer's expense	
Conflicts of Interest?	Premium rates are pre-determined based on nature of trade and theft area	
	and would be adjusted based on perceived risk quality and claims	
	experience using the DOA Underwriting Guide.	
	• Awarding unfair, unreasonable and/or non-transparent fees in connection	
	with the insurance mediation service the customer uses	
	The fee structure, which has been agreed by the panel of insurers, is fair and	
	reflects the amount of work involved. Higher fees may occasionally be	
	applied to support additional time input where required. Fees are clearly	
	stated on the NB/RNWL schedules.	
	• Add-ons – balancing the benefit to the business with the needs of the	
	customer	
	This is a specialist product where stand-alone coverage is required.	
	Other covers are available under our Commercial Combined, Package or	
	Contractors policies if so desired by the client.	
	Premium finance	
	Premium finance is not actively sold.	
	Bonuses, commission, and incentives for sales executives	
	There is a commission structure paid to new business underwriters over and	
	above basic annual salary. Each underwriter is monitored by regular	
	monthly internal audit carried out by senior management in addition to	
	department internal audit.	



## DATA MONITORING & COLLECTION

PRODUCT PERFORMANCE MEASURES	EXPLANATION
Number of policies in force (month total)	Total policy count for the month
Number of policies in force (total book)	Total of all policies in force at month end
New business quotes by Policy count	Total number of all quotes given in the month
New business sales by Policy count	Total number of all sales in the month
New business conversion by Policy count	% Number of sales versus number of quotes given
New business conversion by Premium	% Value by premium of all sales versus quotes given
New business policies cancelled <14 days?	The number of (consumer) policies cancelled
Renewals invited by policy count	The number of policies invited for renewal in the month
Renewals taken up by policy count	The number of policies renewing in the month
Renewal retention rate %	The % of policies renewed versus invited
Mid-term cancellations	The number of policies cancelling mid-term in the month
Mid-term cancellation rate	The % of policies cancelling versus policies in force
Number of claims made	The number of claims made in the month
Number of Claims paid	The number of claims paid in the month
Number of claims outstanding	The number of claims outstanding in the month
Number of claims repudiations (Ex COVID)	The % of claim repudiations in the month versus total no. of claims
Number of complaints	The % of complaints received in the month versus total no. of policies
Number of complaints upheld	The % of all complaints upheld in the month versus to total no. of complaints

