Professional Life Plan Total and Permanent Disablement Cover

When working again isn't an option



# Why Do You Need TPD Cover?

Total and Permanent Disablement (TPD) cover pays a lump sum if you suffer a sickness or injury that leaves you permanently unable to work.

Think about the things that are vital to you performing your occupation. For instance, how might the development of a tremor in your dominant hand or losing sight in one eye effect your ability to continue working? What about cutting a tendon in your thumb in a DIY accident or a head injury permanently impairing your memory and ability to concentrate at work?

For my professional occupations, experiencing such a sickness or injury may have a significant impact on your ability to carry out your own or any occupation. If you were unable to ever work again as a result of such an event, how would you and your family cope financially?

TPD cover provides a cash lump sum, allowing you to take care of yourself, your family or even your business partners if you suffer a sickness or injury that leaves you permanently unable to work.

It gives you financial freedom that might help to:

- pay for necessary lifestyle changes and medical costs.
- · clear debts.
- continue paying for your children's education.
- supplement lost superannuation contributions.

# **TPD Cover Key Features**

## 1. Occupational cover

TPD cover offers two occupational covers:

#### **Own occupation**

This option pays a lump sum if you become unable to perform your occupation due to a sickness or injury and are unlikely to ever be able to do so again. This cover is most suited to people in highly trained or specialised occupations.

#### Any occupation

This option pays a lump sum if you become unable to perform your occupation due to sickness or injury and are unlikely to be able to perform any occupation for which you are reasonably suited by education, training or experience ever again.

### 2. Non-occupational cover

TPD also includes the following non-occupational covers:

#### · Domestic duties

Pays a lump sum if you suffer a sickness or injury leading to a permanent inability to undertake full-time domestic duties in your own home. A great option for stay-at-home parents or those responsible for full-time duties in the family home.

Loss of limbs/blindness/cognitive impairment
 Pays a lump sum if you permanently lose two limbs, your sight in both eyes or experience permanent cognitive impairment.

## Activities of daily living

Pays a lump sum if you suffer a sickness or injury leading to a permanent inability to perform two or more of a defined list of activities of daily living.

## 3. Other cover provided

#### · Non-qualifying death benefit

Provides a payment up to \$15,000 of the TPD sum insured upon death or terminal illness if you do not have a Life Insurance policy in place, and not otherwise entitled to claim under your TPD cover.

#### · Single loss of limb or eye benefit

Provides a payment of 25% of the sum insured up to \$30,000 if the insured person suffers the loss of a single limb or eye.

### Special events increase benefit

Major life events often mean you need to increase your TPD cover. In the following circumstances you can purchase additional cover, irrespective of your state of health at the time:

- · Marriage.
- · Divorce.
- · Having a child (by birth or adoption).
- · Becoming a full-time carer for the first time.
- · Death of your spouse.
- Effecting or increasing your mortgage.
- Entering or increasingyout shareholding in a private practice, partnership, or company.

#### · Accelerated or standalone cover

You can choose to have your TPD cover standalone or attached to your Life Insurance. If you select the latter option (known as accelerated cover), any payment made under TPD cover will reduce your Life Insurance sum insured.

• Life Insurance buyback – accelerated cover only
If you have selected accelerated TPD cover, a builtin Life Insurance buyback benefit is automatically
included. This allows you to apply to reinstate your
Life Insurance cover up to an amount equal to the TPD
cover payment, 12 months following this payment,
irrespective of your state of health at the time.

# Features at a glance

| Maximum sum insured          | \$3 million   |
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| Cover provided               | <ul> <li>Cover provided Own occupation</li> <li>Any occupation</li> <li>Domestic duties</li> <li>Loss of limbs/blindness/cognitive impairment</li> <li>Activities of daily living</li> <li>Special events increase benefit</li> <li>Non-qualifying death benefit</li> <li>Single loss of limb or eye benefit</li> <li>Life Insurance buyback benefit</li> </ul> |
| Inflation adjustment options | You can select to have your sum insured automatically increase (by 2% or 5%) every year.  |
| Worldwide cover              | Your TPD cover is provided 24 hours per day anywhere in the world.  |
| Benefit expiry<br>age        | <ul> <li>Policy anniversary date following:</li> <li>65th birthday for occupational, domestic duties and loss of limbs/cognitive impairment criteria.</li> <li>70th birthday for activities of daily living criteria.</li> </ul>  |

## Professional Life Plan

You have little control over sickness or injury and the physical and emotional impacts these can have. But you can minimise the financial impacts on you and your family.

MAS's Professional Life Plan is a modern and adaptable solution to your life and disability insurance needs. As everyone's needs are different, it gives you the flexibility to tailor the right mix of cover and benefits to best protect you and your family, now and in the future.

## Professional Life Plan cover includes:

| Life Insurance                              | Protects your loved ones or business partners in the event of your untimely death.   |
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| Recovery<br>Insurance                       | Provides you and your family with choices if you are diagnosed with any of over 45 specified serious medical conditions, including cancer or heart attack. |
| TPD (Total and<br>Permanent<br>Disablement) | Pays a lump sum if you are unable to ever work again due to sickness or injury.  |
| Waiver of<br>Premium                        | We can pay your Professional Life<br>Plan premiums for you if you become<br>unable to work for a period of time<br>due to sickness or injury.              |

### Professional Life Plan allows you to:

- tailor the right mix of cover and benefits to protect you and your family.
- select automatic annual increases in your cover in line with inflation.
- insure several people under one policy.
- pay one premium for all your cover monthly, quarterly, six-monthly or annually.
- add and subtract covers and increase and decrease the amount of cover as your needs change.

## Find Out More

MAS's salaried advisers are specialists in dealing with professional people's needs and can help you work out the best cover options to ensure financial security for you and your family.

To talk to one of our advisers today, phone us on **0800 800 627** or email **info@mas.co.nz.** 

## **Quick Facts**

- 166,000 adults aged 15 years and older were recorded as having a disability caused by an accident or injury in the 2006 New Zealand Census<sup>1</sup>.
- There are an estimated 45,000 stroke survivors in New Zealand. Many are disabled and need significant daily support<sup>2</sup>.
- 1 2006 Disability survey Statistics New Zealand.
- 2 Stroke Foundation of NZ.

This brochure provides a general summary of the key features of Total and Permanent Disablement cover. Full details including definitions of occupational criteria, domestic duties, loss of limbs/cognitive impairment and activities of daily living criteria and all other policy terms and conditions are set out in the policy document.

MAS TPD cover offers professionals in specialised occupations financial security if they become unable to ever work again due to sickness or injury.