

Supplementary Personal Statement

Declaration of good health and circumstances

Duty to take reasonable care not to make a misrepresentation

When applying for insurance, there is a legal duty to take reasonable care not to make a misrepresentation to the insurer when applying for insurance. To meet this duty, you must also take reasonable care not to make such a misrepresentation.

A misrepresentation is a false answer, an answer that is only partially true, or an answer which does not fairly reflect the truth.

This duty also applies when extending or making changes to existing insurance, and reinstating or recommencing insurance.

If you do not meet your duty

Not meeting your legal duty can have serious impacts on your insurance. Your cover could be avoided (treated as if it never existed), or its terms may be changed. This may also result in a claim being declined or a benefit being reduced.

Please note that there may be circumstances where we later investigate whether the information given to us was true. For example, we may do this when a claim is made.

About this application

When you apply for life insurance, we conduct a process called underwriting. It's how we decide whether we can provide cover, and if so on what terms and at what cost.

We will ask questions we need to know the answers to. These will be about personal circumstances, such as your health and medical history, occupation, income, lifestyle, pastimes, and current and past insurance. The information given to us in response to our questions is vital to our decision.

When you apply for insurance benefits through a superannuation fund, or ask to extend or make changes to existing insurance benefits, the fund trustee may pass on to us personal information you provide to them. You also therefore need to take reasonable care not to make a misrepresentation when providing this information to the fund trustee.

Guidance for answering our questions

You are responsible for the information you provide to us. When answering our questions, you should:

- think carefully about each question before answering. If you are unsure of the meaning of any question, please ask us before you respond;
- answer every question;
- answer truthfully, accurately and completely. If you are unsure about whether you should include information, please include it. Please don't assume we will ask others such as your doctor;
- review your application carefully. If someone else helped prepare your application, please check every answer (and if necessary, make any corrections).

Changes before your cover starts

Before your cover starts, please tell us about any changes that mean you would now answer our questions differently. It could save time if you let us know about any changes as and when they happen. This is because any changes might require further assessment or investigation.

Notifying the insurer

If, after the cover starts, you think you may not have met your duty, please tell us immediately and we'll let you know whether it has any impact on the cover.

If you need help

It's important that you understand this information and the questions we ask. Ask us for help if you have difficulty answering our questions or understanding the application process.

If you're having difficulty due to a disability, understanding English or for any other reason, we're here to help and can provide additional support for anyone who might need it. You can have a support person you trust with you.

Details of life insured

Plan name

Member number

Title

☐ Mr

☐ Mrs

☐ Ms

☐ Miss

☐ Doctor

☐ Other

Surname

First name(s)

Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)

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Date of application(s) (dd/mm/yyyy)

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Home phone

Work phone

Mobile phone

Email

Gender

☐ Male

☐ Female

Smoker

☐ Yes

☐ No

Marital status

☐ Single

☐ De facto

☐ Married

☐ Widow/Widower

Please answer the following questions

Since the date of your Application have you had any of the following:

		No	Yes
1	Any symptoms of ill health, illness or injury?	☐	☐
2	Consulted or received medical advice from any doctor, undergone any medical examination, tests or treatment, been in hospital or suffered any physical disability?	☐	☐
3	Any intention to seek any medical advice, treatment, test or surgery in the future?	☐	☐
4	A change, or intention to change your occupation, duties performed, working hours, employment situation, or financial situation (including income)	☐	☐
5	A change in smoking status?	☐	☐
6	A change, or intention to change your participation in any hazardous activity or pursuit or travel plans?	☐	☐
7	Any insurance declined, withdrawn or modified in any way?	☐	☐
8	I have reviewed my previous Application and declare that apart from the information included in this supplementary personal statement, there are no changes to any of the answers I provided in my original Application (which includes any accompanying forms or related documentation) that I previously submitted to Zurich	☐ I agree (please select to confirm)	

Give details of all **yes** answers and if medical in nature include date, names and addresses of any doctors consulted, details of treatment and outcome. Show question number when giving details:

Question number:

Consent for accessing Health Information

Notes on releasing information about your health

Your health information includes details about all your interactions with health providers, and may include details such as your symptoms, treatment, consultations, personal medical history and lifestyle. Health providers cannot release this information about you without your consent.

We, Zurich, collect and use your health information to assess your application for cover, to assess and manage your claim, or to confirm the information you gave us when you applied for cover or made a claim. This is why we need your consent.

Each time you apply for cover or make a claim, we will ask you for a fresh consent. We will respect your privacy by only asking for the information we reasonably need, and we will tell you each time we use your consent.

Please read each Authority carefully and the explanatory notes below.

Authority 1 explanatory notes – through this Authority, with the exception of a copy of the consultation notes held by your General Practitioner/Practice, you are consenting to any health provider releasing any health information about you in the form we ask for.

This may involve, for example:

- preparing a general report and/or a report about a specific condition;
- accessing and releasing your records in SafeScript;
- releasing your hospital patient notes;
- releasing the results of any investigations they have done; and/or
- releasing correspondence with other health providers.

Authority 2 explanatory notes – through this Authority, you are consenting to any General Practitioner/Practice you have attended releasing a copy of your full record, including consultation notes, but only if we have asked them to provide a general report and/or a report about a specific condition under Authority 1, and either:

- they will be unable to, or did not, provide the report within 4 weeks; or
- the report provided is incomplete, or contains inconsistencies or inaccuracies.

Your General Practitioner maintains consultation notes to support quality care, your wellbeing and to meet legal and professional requirements. General Practitioners/Practices should only release a copy of your full record, including consultation notes, for life insurance purposes in the rare circumstances set out above.

If you choose to withhold your consent to this authority, we may not be able to process your application for cover or a claim.

Authority 1 – to release any of my health information except the consultation notes held by my General Practitioner/Practice

With the exception of consultation notes held by any General Practitioner/Practice I have attended, I authorise any health provider, practitioner, practice, psychologist, dentist, allied health services provider or any hospital to access and release, in writing or verbally, any details of my health information to Zurich, or to third parties they engage.

I agree to all the following:

- My health information can be released in the form Zurich asks for, such as a general report, a report about a specific condition, my records in SafeScript, any hospital notes, or correspondence between health providers.
- Zurich can collect, use, store and disclose my personal information (including sensitive information) in accordance with privacy laws and Australian Privacy Principles.
- This Authority is valid only while Zurich is assessing my claim or application for cover, or is verifying disclosures I made in connection with the cover.
- A copy or transcript of this Authority will be valid and effective, and this Authority should be accepted as valid and effective where I have signed electronically or consented verbally.

Name

Signature

X

Date (dd/mm/yyyy)

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Authority 2 – to release a copy of the full record, including consultation notes, held by my General Practitioner/Practice in specified circumstances

I authorise any General Practitioner/Practice I have attended to release a copy of my full record, including consultation notes, to Zurich, or to third parties they engage, only if Zurich has asked them for a report on my health and either:

- the General Practitioner/Practice will be unable to, or did not provide the report within four weeks; or
- the report is incomplete, or contains inconsistencies or inaccuracies.

I agree to all the following:

- Zurich can collect, use, store and disclose my personal information (including sensitive information) in accordance with privacy laws and Australian Privacy Principles.
- This Authority is valid only while Zurich is assessing my claim or application for cover, or is verifying disclosures I made in connection with the cover.
- A copy or transcript of this Authority will be valid and effective, and this Authority should be accepted as valid and effective where I have signed electronically or consented verbally.

Name

Signature

X

Date (dd/mm/yyyy)

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Declaration

I have read and understood my duty to take reasonable care not to make a misrepresentation and declare that the statements and answers provided in this application are true, accurate and complete.

I have read and understood my duty to take reasonable care not to make a misrepresentation and the consequences of not meeting the legal duty and answering all questions truthfully and completely. I acknowledge and consent to the collection, use, storage and disclosure of my personal information (including health and other sensitive information) as described in the Product Disclosure Statement and Zurich's Privacy Policy, which is available at Zurich's website zurich.com.au/important-information/privacy or by calling us on 133 667.

Name of life insured

Signature

X

Date (dd/mm/yyyy)

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