

# Purchase Protection - Guide to Benefits

## Key Terms

The following Key Terms apply to the following benefits: Purchase Protection.

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Throughout this document, You and Your refer to the **cardmember** or **authorized user** of the **covered card**. We, Us, and Our refer to Virginia Surety Company, Inc.

**Administrator** means TWG Innovative Solutions, Inc. You may contact the **administrator** if you have questions regarding this coverage or would like to make a claim. The **administrator** can be reached by calling 1-866-464-2798.

**Authorized User** means an individual who is authorized to make purchases on the **covered card** by the **cardmember** and is recorded by the participating organization on its records as being an **authorized user**.

**Cardmember** means the person who has been issued an account by the participating organization for the **covered card**.

**Covered card** means the American Express Prepaid Card.

**Damage** means items that can no longer perform the function they were intended to do in normal service due to broken parts, material or structural failures.

**Evidence of Coverage (EOC)** means the document describe the terms, conditions, and exclusions. The **EOC**, Key Terms, and Final Legal Disclosures are the entire agreement between You and Us. Representations or promises made by anyone that are not contained in the **EOC**, Key Terms, or Final Legal Disclosures are not a part of your coverage.

**Stolen** means items that are taken by force and/or under duress or the disappearance of the item from a known place under circumstances that would indicate the probability of theft.

**United States Dollars (USD)** means the currency of the United States of America.

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## Purchase Protection Evidence of Coverage

Refer to Key Terms KT-CC-EOC (9.08) for the definitions of you, your, we, us, our, and words that appear in bold and Final Legal Disclosures CC-FLD (9.08).

### A. To get coverage:

- You must purchase the new item entirely with your **covered card** for yourself or to give as a gift.
- If the item is not purchased entirely with your **covered card**, we will only pay for the percentage of the eligible claim based on the percentage of the item purchased on your **covered card**.

### B. The kind of coverage you receive:

- Most items you purchase entirely with your **covered card** are covered if **damaged** or **stolen** within one hundred and twenty (120) days (ninety (90) days for New York residents) from the date of

purchase as indicated on your **covered card's** receipt.

- Items you purchase with your **covered card** and give as gifts also are covered.
- This coverage is secondary to any other applicable insurance or coverage available to you or the gift recipient. Coverage is limited to only those amounts not covered by any other insurance or coverage benefit.

### C. Coverage limitations:

- Coverage is limited to the lesser of the following:
  - The actual cost of the item (excluding delivery and transportation costs).
  - The actual cost to repair or replace the item.
  - A maximum of \$1,000 per loss and a total of \$50,000 per cardmember account per twelve (12) month period.
- Purchases that are made up of a pair or set will be limited to the cost of repair or replacement of the specific item **stolen** or **damaged**. If the specific item cannot be replaced individually or repaired, the value of the pair or set will be covered not to exceed the limits above.
- Coverage for **stolen** or **damaged** jewelry or fine art will be limited to the actual purchase price as listed on your credit card statement, regardless of sentimental or appreciated market value.

Note: Salvage may apply to this coverage; see the Final Legal Disclosure for details.

### D. What is NOT covered:

- Items left in public sight, out of arm's reach, lacking care, custody or control by the **cardmember**.
- Lost items, and items that mysteriously disappear (the only proof of loss is unexplained or there is no physical evidence to show what happened to the item) without any evidence of a wrongful act.
- Items that are **stolen** from any location or place (including, but not limited to, exercise facilities, places of employment, schools, or places of worship) due to the lack of due diligence by you or another party.
- Items lost, **stolen**, **damaged**, or mis-delivered while under the care, custody, and control of another party or common carrier (including, but not limited to, airlines, the U.S. Postal Service, UPS, FedEx, or other delivery services).
- Pre-existing **damage**.
- Losses due to normal wear and tear, misuse, gradual deterioration, and/or abuse.
- Losses resulting from any dishonest, fraudulent, or criminal act committed or arranged by you.
- Losses that cannot be verified or substantiated.
- Items covered by a manufacturer's recall or class action suit.
- Items that you **damage** through alteration (including, but not limited to, cutting, sawing, shaping).
- Used or antique items; collectibles of any kind (such as items designed for people to collect or items that over time become collectibles); recycled, previously owned, refurbished, rebuilt, or remanufactured items.
- **Stolen** items without a documented report from the police.
- Items that are **damaged** during transport via any mode.
- Items **stolen** from the interior or exterior of a watercraft/boat, aircraft, motorcycle, automobile or any other motor vehicles.
- Motorized vehicles, including, but not limited to, automobiles, watercraft/boats, aircraft, and motorcycles, or their motors, equipment, or accessories. Motorized equipment not designed for transportation and used solely for the upkeep and maintenance of a residence is eligible for coverage (including, but not limited to, snow thrower, lawn mowers, and hedge trimmers).
- Traveler's checks, tickets of any kind (e.g., for airlines, sporting events, concerts, or lottery), negotiable

- instruments, bullion, rare, or precious metals, stamps, and coins, currency or its equivalent.
- Items purchased for resale, rental, professional, or commercial use.
- Professional services (including, but not limited to, the performance or rendering of labor or maintenance; repair or installation of products, goods, or property; professional advice of any kind, including, but not limited to, information/services or advice secured from any help or support line; or technical support for software, hardware, or any other peripherals).
- Application programs, computer programs, operating software, and other software.
- Losses resulting from war or hostilities of any kind (including, but not limited to, invasion, terrorism, rebellion, insurrection, riot, or civil commotion); confiscation or **damage** by any government, public authority, or customs official; risks of contraband; illegal activity or acts.
- Losses caused by power surge, contamination by radioactive or hazardous substances, including mold.
- Direct or indirect loss resulting from any Acts of God (including, but not limited to, flood, hurricane, lightning, and earthquake).
- Game animals, pets, or specimens preserved for display (e.g., fish, birds, reptiles, or mammals).
- Items **stolen** or **damaged** at a new home construction site.
- Rented, leased, or borrowed items for which you will be held responsible.
- Trip, service, or diagnostic charges in the absence of any covered repairs or verified failure.
- Any shipping charges, transportation and delivery charges, or promised time frames for delivery, whether or not stated or covered by the manufacturer's warranty.
- Interest or conversion fees that are charged to you on the **covered card** by the financial institution.

<b>E. How to file a claim:</b>
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- Call the **administrator** at 1-866-464-2798 to request a claim form. You must report the claim within sixty (60) days of the loss or the claim may not be honored.
- Submit the following documentation within one hundred and eighty (180) days of the date you report the claim:
  - Completed and signed claim form.
  - Repair estimate for **damaged** item(s).
  - Photograph clearly showing **damage**, if applicable.
  - Receipt showing purchase of covered item(s).
  - Police report listing any items **stolen**.
  - Copy of the declarations page of any other applicable insurance or protection (including, but not limited to, homeowner's, renters, or auto insurance policy).
  - Any other documentation that may be reasonably requested by us or our designated representative to validate a claim.

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### Final Legal Disclosure

This Guide to Benefits is not, by itself, a policy or contract of insurance or other contract.

Benefits are purchased and provided free to you, but non-insurance services may have associated costs, which will be your responsibility (for example, legal referrals are free, but the lawyer's fee is your responsibility).

Purchase Protection coverage is provided under a Group Policy of insurance issued by Virginia Surety Company, Inc. This Guide to Benefits is intended as a summary of benefits provided to you. The attached Key Terms and EOC and all the information about the insurance benefits listed in this Guide to Benefits is

governed by the conditions, limitations, and exclusions of the Group Policy.

**Privacy Notice:**

As the insurer of the **covered card** coverage described herein, Virginia Surety Company, Inc. (“VSC”) collects personal information about you from the following sources: Information the insurer gathers from you, from your request for insurance coverage or other forms you furnish to the insurer, such as your name, address, telephone number, and information about your transactions with the insurer such as claims made and benefits paid. The insurer may disclose all information it collects, as described above, to companies that perform administrative or other services on our behalf solely in connection with the insurance coverage you have received. The insurer does not disclose any personal information about former insureds to anyone, except as required by law. The insurer restricts access to personal information about you to those employees who need to know that information in order to provide coverage to you. The insurer maintains physical, electronic, and procedural safeguards that comply with federal regulations to guard your personal information. Should you have any questions about the insurance procedures or the information contained within your file, please contact the insurer by writing to:

Compliance Department  
Virginia Surety Company, Inc.  
175 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago, IL 60604

**Effective date of benefits:**

Effective October 29, 2020, this Guide to Benefits replaces all prior disclosures, program descriptions, advertising, and brochures by any party. The Policyholder and the insurer reserve the right to change the benefits and features of these programs at anytime. Notice will be provided for any changes.

**Cancellation:**

The Policyholder can cancel these benefits at any time or choose not to renew the insurance coverage for all **cardmembers**. If the Policyholder does cancel these benefits, you will be notified at least sixty (60) days in advance. If the insurance company terminates, cancels, or chooses not to renew the coverage to the Policyholder, you will be notified as soon as is practicable. Insurance benefits will still apply for any benefits you were eligible for prior to the date of such terminations, cancellation, or non-renewal, subject to the terms and conditions of coverage.

**Benefits to you:** These benefits apply only to **cardmembers** whose cards are issued by U.S. financial institutions. The United States is defined as the fifty (50) United States, the District of Columbia, American Samoa, Puerto Rico, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. No person or entity other than the **cardmember** shall have any legal or equitable right, remedy, or claim for benefits, insurance proceeds and damages under or arising out of these programs. These benefits do not apply if your card privileges have been cancelled. However, insurance benefits will still apply for any benefit you were eligible for prior to the date that your account is suspended or cancelled, subject to the terms and conditions of coverage.

**Transfer of rights or benefits:** No rights or benefits provided under these insurance benefits may be assigned without the prior written consent of the claim **administrator** for these benefits.

**Misrepresentation and Fraud:** Benefits shall be void if the **cardmember** has concealed or misrepresented any material facts concerning this coverage.

**Dispute Resolution – Arbitration:** This **EOC** requires binding arbitration if there is an unresolved dispute between You and VSC concerning this **EOC** (including the cost of, lack of or actual repair or replacement arising from a loss). Under this Arbitration provision, You give up your right to resolve any dispute arising from this **EOC** by a judge and/or a jury. You also agree not to participate as a class representative or class

member in any class action litigation, any class arbitration or any consolidation of individual arbitrations. In arbitration, a group of three (3) arbitrators (each of whom is an independent, neutral third party) will give a decision after hearing Your and Our positions. The decision of a majority of the arbitrators will determine the outcome of the arbitration and the decision of the arbitrators shall be final and binding and cannot be reviewed or changed by, or appealed to, a court of law.

To start arbitration, either You or VSC must make a written demand to the other party for arbitration. This demand must be made within one (1) year of the earlier of the date the loss occurred or the dispute arose. You and VSC will each separately select an arbitrator. The two (2) arbitrators will select a third arbitrator called an "umpire." Each party will each pay the expense of the arbitrator selected by that party. The expense of the umpire will be shared equally by You and VSC. Unless otherwise agreed to by You and VSC, the arbitration will take place in the county and state in which You live. The arbitration shall be governed by the Federal Arbitration Act (9 U.S.C.A. § 1 et. seq.) and not by any state law concerning arbitration. The rules of the American Arbitration Association ([www.adr.org](http://www.adr.org)) will apply to any arbitration under this EOC. The laws of the state of Illinois (without giving effect to its conflict of law principles) govern all matters arising out of or relating to this EOC and all transactions contemplated by this EOC, including, without limitation, the validity, interpretation, construction, performance and enforcement of this EOC.

**Due Diligence:** All parties are expected to exercise due diligence to avoid or diminish any theft, loss or damage to the property insured under these programs. "Due diligence" means the performance of all vigilant activity, attentiveness, and care that would be taken by a reasonable and prudent person in the same or similar circumstances in order to guard and protect the item.

**Subrogation:** If payment is made under these benefits, the insurance company is entitled to recover such amounts from other parties or persons. Any party or **cardmember** who receives payment under these benefits must transfer to the insurance company his or her rights to recovery against any other party or person and must do everything necessary to secure these rights and must do nothing that would jeopardize them, or these rights will be recovered from the **cardmember**.

**Salvage:** If an item is not repairable, the claim **administrator** may request that the **cardmember** or gift recipient send the item to the **administrator** for salvage at the **cardmember's** or gift recipient's expense. Failure to remit the requested item for salvage to the claim **administrator** may result in denial of the claim.

**Other Insurance:** Coverage is secondary to any other applicable insurance or indemnity available to You. Coverage is limited to only those amounts not covered by any other insurance or indemnity. It is subject to the conditions, limitations, and exclusions described in this document. In no event will this coverage apply as contributing insurance. This Other Insurance clause will take precedence over a similar clause found in other insurance or indemnity language.

In no event will these insurance benefits apply as contributing insurance. The non-contribution insurance clause will take precedence over the non-contribution clause found in any other insurance policies.

Benefits listed in this Guide to Benefits are subject to the conditions, limitations, and exclusions described in each benefit section. **Receipt and/or possession of this Guide to Benefits does not guarantee coverage or coverage availability.**

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