

Privacy policy

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About Cover-More's Privacy Policy

Cover-More is committed to the safe and careful use of your personal information. We take reasonable steps to protect any personal information you provide to us from misuse, interference, loss, unauthorised access, modification or disclosure. We will always be open and transparent with you about how we handle information.

We may change this Privacy Policy from time to time after you have acquired an AA Travel Insurance policy. If the changes are material, you will be notified of the change. For other changes, please refer to the updated Privacy Policy on our website [insert website page]. If you continued to use our products and services you will be taken to accept any changes.

1. Cover-More Group companies covered by this Privacy Policy

Cover-More Group Limited is a travel insurance, medical assistance and data analytics group of companies. In this Privacy Policy when we refer to "Cover-More", "we", "our" or "us", we mean Cover-More (NZ) Limited.

For more information about the Cover-More Group Limited, including a complete list of our group entities, please see <https://www.covermoregroup.com/>.

2. The Purpose of the Privacy Policy

This Privacy Policy outlines how we and AA manage your personal information. It also describes generally the type of personal information held and for what purposes, and how, that information is collected, held, used, disclosed and destroyed or de-identified.

Further Information

For further information on privacy in New Zealand, please visit the website of the Office of the Privacy Commissioner at <http://privacy.org.nz>

Your personal information

3. What is personal and health information?

Personal information is information that can identify or reasonably identify you.

The provision of your personal information is voluntary. However, if you choose not to provide us with the information we have requested, we may not be able to provide you with our services or products or properly manage and administer services and products provided to you or others.

We will only collect personal information to assist or enable us to perform one or more of our functions or activities. We collect the personal information we need to provide travel insurance and travel related products and services, including assistance when you are travelling.

The type of information Cover-More collects and holds varies depending on the type of product or service we provide to you. For example, Cover-More will hold different information about you if you have a travel insurance policy than if you make a claim on a policy or require assistance when travelling. This information may include information about a permanent or temporary medical condition that you have or health information in general.

Cover-More regularly collects, holds, uses and discloses health information and is committed to protecting the privacy of this type of information to a higher degree than that of other personal information.

Cover-More may collect and hold the personal information (including health information) regarding:

- Your travel plans;
- Information about your medical history and the medical history of any other person you wish to insure;
- Health information about anyone who requires assistance under their travel insurance policy;
- Information about the medical history of any person that results in a claim that we have to assess;

- Information about claims you make or wish to make under your policy;
- Your bank account details so that we may process the payment of your claim;
- The last eight digits of your credit card so that we may recover any monies payable under the travel insurance provided by the credit card company;
- Other information required to administer the product or services you have requested including determining a claim;
- Any details contained within identity documents provided to us including government identifiers such as a passport number;
- The type of medical and non-medical assistance you have been provided with either by us, our service providers or your own medical practitioner;
- Employment and income information for cancellation and loss of income claims;
- Background and credit checks (for authorised representatives and suppliers only); and
- Any information contained within the Cover-More corporate mobile application where you have authorised us to do so.

4. How we collect your personal information

Cover-More collects your personal information directly and/or on your behalf from business partners, suppliers, employers (relating to corporate policies if your company is the applicant and we receive details from your employer), insurers and third-party service providers.

We will, if it is reasonable or practicable to do so, collect your personal information directly from you. This may happen when you fill out an application form for travel insurance, make a claim or request assistance. This may occur over the phone, via email, a website or mobile application or through one of our agents or partners.

In certain cases, we collect your personal information from third parties. For example, we may need to collect personal information from your representative (such as a power of attorney or legal guardian), your travel consultant, the primary policy holder or other organisations.

However, we may also collect your personal information from third parties who assist us in assessing and processing your claim, or who may assist us in providing medical assistance services, making international payments or investigating your claim. For example, we may need to collect personal information from your representative (such as but not limited to a legal guardian/ emergency contact), your travel consultant, the primary policy holder or interpreters, loss adjustors, investigators and international payment facilities. For further information about third parties, we may indirectly collect information from, please [click here](#).

In addition, we collect information when you visit our website, mobile apps. and other pages that we own and manage. to make an application or claim,

We may also collect information by other means and will take reasonable steps to inform you if and when we do if not already explained in this Policy.

When handling claims Cover-More only uses the personal information which is relevant to making a decision about the claim.

5. How we collect your health information

Your health information, such as pre-existing medical conditions, is generally required to arrange travel insurance and travel related products and services, to make a determination on a claim or to provide you with medical assistance.

If you provide health information to your agent or consultant to provide to us as part of the policy application or claims process, we rely on you having provided them with your consent to disclose this information to us. In addition, when you provide information about other individuals on your travel insurance policy, we rely on you to inform them of the information you are providing, how we will use, hold, collect and disclose this information and on you obtaining their consent.

We may collect your health information from Cover-More's corporate mobile application. We will only do this if you have given your consent.

If we do not have your consent, we will not collect your personal information. This is subject to some exceptions including where the collection, use and disclosure of the information:

- is necessary for the provision of emergency assistance;
- is required by law; and
- is necessary for the establishment, exercise or defence of a legal claim.

6. Use, transfer, handling and sharing of your personal information

A. To provide you with products and services

We use your personal information to provide you with the products or services you have requested including:

- Assessing your travel insurance application, including your eligibility for discounted travel insurance;
- Identifying you, to manage and administer the product or service;
- Assessing and paying a claim; or
- To provide you with assistance when travelling.

We may also use or disclose your personal information for another purpose for which you may reasonably expect it to be used or disclosed by us and that secondary purpose is related or directly related to the purpose for which it was collected.

Otherwise than as described in Section 10 (Marketing AA products and services) we will only use your information for a secondary purpose if you have consented to this use or disclosure, the use of disclosure is required by law or an enforcement body or to provide assistance in a medical emergency.

We use and in some instances, disclose your personal information when we, or third parties appointed by us, provide the following services:

- To identify you and other policy holders;
- Arranging and managing your travel insurance with us;
- To assess an application for a product, including assessing any existing medical conditions;
- Evaluating, managing, processing and paying an insurance claim;
- To recover monies due by other insurers;
- Evaluating the emergency care and assistance you require;
- Providing medical and non-medical assistance, including settling costs on your behalf;
- Dealing with enquiries or complaints;
- Monitor and improve the services provided by us AA our agents or service providers, the products we provide or our operations;
- For planning, product development and research purposes and to seek feedback on products and services (including those products and services offered by others on our behalf);
- Carrying out market analysis and research and product and pricing analysis and development;
- Enhancing our services for our website visitors and mobile application visitors;
- Conducting internal investigations in relation to crime and fraud prevention, detection or prosecution;
- Training our staff;
- To identify and develop products or services that may interest you and market them to you (unless you ask us not to do so);
- Carrying out accreditation or certification activities;
- Processing orders or applications to become a customer for our additional products and services, such as Global Sim;
- Carrying out credit checks, credit reporting and compliance checks;
- Carrying out debt-recovery functions; and
- Managing and authenticating customer data.

B. Sharing Personal Information

To provide you with a more personal experience, such as providing you with products and services that are relevant to you, we may use and disclose your personal information for the purposes of providing, administering, improving and personalising products and services for you. In order to do this, we may exchange, share and combine personal information that we have collected from you (or disclosed to us). We may share your information with related entities of Cover-More, our business partners and service providers to assist with services such as data processing and matching, data analysis, data monetisation services, information broking, business consulting, marketing and research (“analysis services”).

We may use such analysis services to also help us improve our products and services, the way we sell our products and services to you and to help us improve customer experience by understanding purchasing trends, your interests, relevancy of products and services and how you would respond in relation to products, services and offers from us or third-party providers.

The business partners and service providers we use to provide us with analysis services will generally be located in Australia but may be located in other countries from time to time. Before disclosing, exchanging or sharing such information, we take steps to ensure that our business partners and service providers are obliged to protect the privacy and security of your personal information and use it only for the purpose for which it is disclosed.

When we are provided with the results of such analysis services, we, our business partners or service providers may provide marketing communications and targeted advertising to you on an ongoing basis by telephone, electronic messages (e.g. email), digital services (e.g. through Apps) and other means. These communications may relate to the products and services we or our group of companies offer, our business partners offer, or other products and services which may be of interest and relevant to you.

At any time, you can advise us that you wish to opt out of future contact by contacting us via our customer service team on 0800 500 225 or via the unsubscribe function in all our email or text marketing communications or mobile applications messaging.

7. Transferring personal information overseas

By purchasing a policy through us, you are consenting to us sending your information to overseas parties if required to provide you with medical and non-medical assistance or to progress and assess your claim.

The countries we typically disclose your personal information to under these circumstances are generally located in the geographic regions you travelled during the duration of your policy.

We may also need to disclose information to service providers who are located overseas who assist us by managing and authenticating some customer data or by seeking feedback from our customers to help us improve our products and services. Who those service providers are and where they are located may change from time to time. You can contact us for details.

While we are committed to protecting your information from misuse, loss or interference when your personal information is sent to third parties overseas, in some cases we may not be able to take reasonable steps to ensure that those third parties do not breach New Zealand privacy laws and the information may not be subject to the same level of protection as is provided for under New Zealand privacy laws. You may not be able to seek redress under New Zealand privacy laws or under laws in the overseas jurisdiction in the event of any misuse, loss or interference with your personal information.

When assessing your claim, we may refer to information provided by our third party medical and non-medical assistance providers, who include related entities.

We may also use related entities to process and assess your travel insurance application or claim and to administer your insurance policy. These related entities may be based in New Zealand or overseas in: Australia, United Kingdom, Malaysia, China or India.

Some business departments within the Cover-More Group may enter into outsourcing arrangements to countries other than those listed above.

8. How accurate is your personal information

Cover-More takes reasonable steps to ensure that the personal information collected, used or disclosed is accurate, relevant, complete and up-to-date.

If you believe your personal information is not accurate, complete or up to date, please contact the Cover-More's customer service team on 0800 500 225.

9. Protecting your personal information

We take reasonable steps to securely store your personal information so that it is protected from unauthorised use, access, modification or disclosure. We store personal information in different ways, including in paper and electronic form, on both Cover-More premises and its data centres and our service providers premises and data centres, which include IT service providers and document storage and management providers.

We maintain administrative, technical, and physical safeguards for the protection of personal information. Our security measures include, but are not limited to:

Administrative safeguards:

- Only allowing access where the individual seeking access has satisfied our identification requirements, such as a security check on the commencement of a call.
- Confidentiality requirements for our employees and suppliers.
- Secure Document storage.
- Training and education is provided to all group employees in the handling of personal information.

Technical safeguards:

- Security measures for systems access.
- Antivirus and anti-malware software, and regularly updated virus definitions.
- Third parties who we hire to provide services and have access to personal information agree to implement privacy and security practices that we deem adequate.
- Personal information provided on computer servers is secured in a restricted and controlled network environment.
- When transferring credit card numbers, via payment gateways the data is encrypted.
- Employing firewalls and intrusion detection systems.

Physical safeguards:

- Third-party contractors who process personal data on our behalf agree to provide reasonable physical safeguards.
- Employing physical and electronic means such as alarms and cameras to protect against unauthorised access to buildings.
- Effectively and securely destroying data no longer needed, for example, by shredding or pulping in the case of paper records.
- Our security procedures and policies are audited on a regular basis to ensure they are updated in accordance with current legal requirements and current levels of security technology.

While Cover-More has security measures in place to protect your data, no data transmission over the internet can be guaranteed to be 100% secure. As a result, while we strive to protect your personal information, Cover-More cannot warrant or ensure the security of any information you transmit to us or we transmit on your behalf, or to you, in the course of providing services over the internet.

10. Marketing AA products and services

Where we share your personal information with AA, they may use that information to market AA services to you, in accordance with AA's Privacy Statement.

If you do not wish to receive this information from AA you can unsubscribe at any time by simply clicking the 'unsubscribe' link in the promotional email.

If you would like to access or correct any of your personal information held by the AA, please email the AA Privacy Officer at pofficer@aa.co.nz or write to them at PO Box 5, Shortland Street, Auckland 1010, New Zealand.

Please note Cover-More will still need to send you essential information about your insurance, travel alerts, policy and claim documentation and Global Sim registration information.

11. When we share your information with other parties

Other than as stated in this Privacy Policy, we will only share (disclose) your personal information with third parties if it is required to fulfil service or product obligations to you, or if it is required under law or in an emergency situation.

Before discussing the progress of a claim or the medical and non-medical assistance that we provide with third parties (other than the parties involved in providing such a service), for example, a relative or companion, we will obtain appropriate consent from you, your parent or guardian, power of attorney or executor (as relevant).

Below are the types of entities Cover-More may collect your personal information from and may disclose your personal information to. This is not an exhaustive list.

- Our Insurer, Zurich Australian Insurance Limited trading as Zurich New Zealand;
- Other insurers, including your insurer if not Cover-More and Re-insurers;
- Co-insured/s on any insurance policy, so we may confirm details of the insurance;
- AA as distributor and promotor;
- Your travel agent, broker or the consultant who sold you the travel insurance;
- Your employer (if a corporate policy);
- Claims administrators;
- Investigators, in relation to claims;
- Translators, for claims and assistance;
- Goods replacement suppliers to settle your claim;
- Banks and foreign currency providers to settle your claim;
- Transportation and accommodation providers;
- Travel consultants and wholesale travel agencies;
- Any company who we may claim against;
- Medical practitioners and specialists;
- Medical providers such as hospitals;
- Emergency assistance providers;
- Security providers and consultants;
- Family members in the event of a medical emergency;
- Witnesses, when making a claim;
- Record management and storage businesses;

- Companies who perform statistical analysis on our behalf;
- Our professional advisors including lawyers, accountants, tax advisors and auditors;
- Debt collection agencies and other parties that assist with debt-recovery functions;
- Police and law enforcement bodies to assist in their functions;
- Courts of Law or as otherwise required or authorised by law;
- Regulatory or government bodies for the purposes of resolving customer complaints or disputes both internally and externally or to comply with any investigation by one of those bodies;
- Insurance reference bureaus;
- Data retrieval agencies;
- Credit providers or credit reporting agencies (if you are our authorised representative or supplier); and
- Printing, mail and distribution companies.

Your privacy on the internet

12. Collection of other information

Cover-More may also collect non-personally identifiable information such as the type of browser, or operating system you use, your domain name, IP address, access times, referring website addresses and page views. Our Internet Service Provider (“ISP”) automatically identifies your computer by its IP address. When you visit pages on our website or mobile applications, our ISP may log your IP address. We do not link IP addresses to any personally identifiable information. Your IP address is used to gather broad demographic information only. A User Transaction ID is created each time you enter our website. This ID is used to keep track of your dealings with us, and other requests.

Cookies

Cover-More uses cookies in several different ways and some of our cookies collect information which can personally identify you.

A cookie is a small, text-based file used frequently on some websites and portals. They are designed to assist and streamline the exchange of information between your computer’s browser and our computer systems. Some cookies used by Cover-More collect information about the use of our websites and mobile applications. The information collected includes where visitors connect from, what version of browser they use and their path through the site and mobile applications. It helps us to provide personalised features and keep our content fresh and relevant.

If you are a current or former customer of Cover-More, we may use a special cookie that identifies you. We may use the cookie to collect the website and browser information referred to above and may combine that information with your customer history and other personal information we hold about you. We may use and disclose the combined information for performing the analysis services and sending you marketing communications and targeted advertising as described in this Policy, as well as using and disclosing it for the other purposes described in this Policy.

If you do not want information collected through the use of cookies, you can configure your cookie preferences and options through your browser.

Web beacons

Our web pages may contain electronic images, known as web beacons or spotlight tags. These enable us to count users who have visited certain pages of our website. Web beacons and spotlight tags are not used by us to access your Personal Information, they are simply a tool we use to analyse which web pages customers view, in an aggregate number.

Links to other websites

Our web sites and mobile applications may contain links to non-Group web sites. Whilst such links are provided for your convenience, you should be aware that the information handling practices of the linked web sites might not be the same as ours.

Dealing with Cover-More

13. Resolving your privacy issues

Please contact us if you have concerns about the way in which we have handled your personal information or would like to discuss any issues about our Privacy Policy. You are always welcome to speak directly to our staff and they will do their best to resolve your issue. We also have a complaints process including external dispute resolution and a nominated Privacy Officer who can be contacted as detailed in the Contact Us section.

14. Gaining access to and correcting your personal information

You can request access to your personal information in most cases without restriction or charge. If charges are applicable for providing access we will disclose these charges to you prior to providing you with the information. In limited circumstances, a request for access may be denied, or restricted access given. We will provide reasons in writing for the denial of or limitation on access.

To arrange access please contact us (see the Contact Us section). In some cases, we may be able to deal with your request over the telephone. Access to the requested information may include providing you with copies of the original documentation, providing you with the opportunity for inspection of the documentation at our premises or providing you with a summary.

We will correct personal information if we discover, or you are able to show that the information is incorrect. If you seek correction and Cover-More disagrees that the information is incorrect, we will provide you with our reasons for taking that view and advise you on the further steps you may take.

15. Dealing with us anonymously or under pseudonym

You can deal with us anonymously or you may use a pseudonym where it is lawful and practicable to do so. For example, you may inquire about our products or request a quote. However, we regret that we will not be able to offer you travel insurance, assess and pay your claim, appoint you as our authorised representative or provide you with medical and non-medical assistance if we cannot identify you.

16. Your travel consultant and your personal information

We require our agents and partners to handle your personal information in a manner consistent with this policy. Your travel consultant is authorised to arrange your travel insurance.

We rely on you having provided your travel consultant with your consent if you would like us to share information about your claim or existing medical condition assessment with them. You may choose to deal directly with Cover-More if you prefer not to provide them with information about existing medical conditions and health related matters included in your claim.

17. Contact us

Customer Service

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or

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