

Terms & Conditions

SECTION 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Your American Express Identity Defence Platinum membership is made up of two separate key documents - your welcome letter and this document which includes the Terms and Conditions and a copy of the User Licence Agreement for Sentinel Online Protection Software (together, "your agreement"). Please keep your welcome letter with this document in a safe place for future reference. Your agreement is a contract between you and Affinion.

Affinion agrees to provide the **services** under **your agreement**.

Please see Section II of these **Terms and Conditions**. We have appointed **our subcontractors** to supply some of these **services**. It is important that **you** read all of the documents forming **your agreement** carefully since they contain important **information** about **your American Express Identity Defence Platinum membership**, including **your** rights and obligations.

Your eligibility

American Express Identity Defence Platinum membership is only available to UK residents who are at least 18 years of age. You are under an obligation to inform Affinion if you are moving and will no longer be a UK resident.

American Express Identity Defence Platinum membership is not available to BFPO, PO Box and/or business addresses.

Definitions of words used in your agreement

"Affinion"

Means **Affinion** International Limited. Registered in England: company number 1008797. Registered address: Charter Court, 50 Windsor Road, Slough, Berkshire, SL1 2EJ, United Kingdom. **Affinion** International Limited, provides the **services** to **you** through its **subcontractors** under **your agreement**. VAT number 125495408.

"American Express""

Means American Express Insurance Services Europe Limited. Registered in England and Wales Company number 05048826, registered office 76 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1W 9AX. American Express Insurance Services Europe Limited is a separate corporation within the American Express group of companies.

"American Express Identity Defence Platinum"

Means the trading name for **Affinion** International Limited, Registered in England: company number 1008797. Registered address: Charter Court, 50 Windsor Road, Slough Berkshire, SL1 2EJ, United Kingdom, **Affinion** International Limited.

"American Express Identity Defence Platinum membership"

Means membership of American Express Identity Defence Platinum comprising the provision of services to you in consideration for payment of the fees.

"application"

Means your internet, phone, postal or other application for American Express Identity Defence Platinum membership, which will be considered by Affinion prior to the commencement of the term.

"business"

Means any employment, trade, profession or occupation.

"CIFAS"

Means the Credit Industry Fraud Avoidance System, the **UK's** fraud prevention service

"Credit Report, Credit Report service"

Means the Credit Report services described in Section II below.

"Callcredit"

Means Callcredit Information Group Limited. Registered in England and Wales with company number 04968328. Registered Office: One Park Lane, Leeds, West Yorkshire, LS3 1EP

"fees"

Means the amount payable for **your American Express Identity Defence Platinum membership** as notified during the **application** process, and confirmed to **you** in **your welcome letter**. This amount will be charged according to the payment method set out in **your welcome letter**.

"identity fraud"

Means the use of **your** personal **information** by a third party for financial gain obtained via an **identity theft event**.

"identity theft"

Means theft of **your** personal identification information, which has or could reasonably result in the wrongful use of such **information**, including but not limited to theft occuring on or arising out of **your** use of the internet. **Identity theft** shall not include the theft or wrongful use of **your business** name or any other method of identifying any of **your business** activities.

"identity theft event"

Means one occurrence of **identity theft** or a series of related occurrences.

"information"

Means any documents, notifications or advice delivered to **you** by **Affinion** or its **subcontractors** as part of or during the provision of the **services** (including but not limited to **Credit Reports** and credit scores).

"reasonable usage policy"

Means the reasonable availability of **Credit Reports** within the defined period as set out in Section 2. **Services** b) **Credit Report service** including credit score.

"services"

Means the following **services** to be provided by **Affinion** and its **subcontractors** to **you** as part of **your American Express Identity Defence Platinum membership** set out at section II below and includes:

- a. Identity fraud advice and resolution services
- b. Credit Report service including credit score
- c. Credit monitoring service
- d. CIFAS Protective Registration
- e. Sentinel Online Protection Software

"subcontractors"

Means ${\bf Affinion\ subcontractors}$ and service providers and currently includes ${\bf Callcredit}.$

"term"

Means the **membership** period indicated on **your welcome letter**.

"terms and conditions"

Means this terms and conditions document.

"UK'

Means the United Kingdom including Northern Ireland and Isle of Man.

"User Licence Agreement"

Means the User Licence Agreement for Sentinel Online Protection Software.

"we, our or us"

Means **Affinion**.

"welcome letter"

Means the **welcome letter** or email sent to **you** upon **Affinion** accepting **your application** and which forms a part of **your agreement**.

"you, your"

Means the person to whom the welcome letter is addressed.

"your agreement"

Has the meaning as defined at the top of this General Section.

Fees

You will be charged the fees as described in your welcome letter unless your agreement is cancelled or terminated by you or by Affinion (see below for details). Future fees for your American Express Identity Defence Platinum membership will be at the rate notified to you in advance in accordance with the section entitled 'Changes to your agreement'.

Term

Your American Express Identity Defence Platinum membership will run throughout the term, unless terminated or cancelled as stated under the Section titled "Cancellation and termination" below. At the end of the term, your membership will automatically renew for a further term unless you notify us otherwise.

User Licence Agreement

You agree to fully comply with the requirements of the User Licence Agreement.

Cancellation and termination

You can cancel your agreement up until the end of your trial notice period by giving notice to Affinion International either by writing to us at American Express Identity Defence Platinum, Operations Centre, Sentinel House, Airspeed Road, Portsmouth, PO3 5RF, or by calling us on 0800 030 4714.

If you cancel within this period you will be entitled to a refund of the fees you have paid to Affinion International, if any.

On expiry of the trial period **you** can terminate **your agreement** at any time and no further periodic **fees** will be payable from that date. No **fees** already paid will be refundable however.

Termination

Your agreement will end on whichever of the following happens first:

- the date **your agreement** is cancelled by **you** or **Affinion International**;
- the date you cease to be resident within the UK;
- at **Affinion International's** discretion if the fee for this product is not paid.

Affinion International may cancel **your agreement** at its discretion by giving **you** 30 days notice in writing. If this occurs **you** may be entitled to a pro rata return of the **fees**.

Changes to your agreement

We, or **our subcontractors**, will notify **you** in writing regarding any material changes to the **services**, **your agreement** or the **fees**. Wherever possible, **we** will endeavour to notify **you** of such changes at least 30 days in advance of them taking effect.

In the **event** of any such changes **your** attention is drawn to **your** general right of termination as set out above.

Choice of law

Unless Affinion agree otherwise, the language of your agreement and each part thereof generally and all communications relating to it will be English. Your agreement is governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of England (or the laws of Scotland if you are domiciled there). Disputes arising in connection with your agreement shall be subject to the non- exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales unless you choose the jurisdiction of your domicile if you are domiciled in Scotland or Northern Ireland.

What to do if you think you are a victim of an Occurrence of identity theft

Firstly, contact **American Express Identity Defence Platinum** without delay on **0800 030 4714. Your** consultant will help **you** and make suggestions on what **you** need to do next, for example;

- 1. File a police report within 24 hours of discovering the identity theft.
- 2. Notify **your** bank(s), payment card company(ies) and all other accounts of the **identity theft** within 24 hours of discovering the **identity theft**.

SECTION 2. SERVICES

The services provided by Affinion International and its subcontractors

a) Identity fraud advice and resolution services

If you need any advice about your Credit Report or about identity theft, you can speak to one of our experts on 0800 030 4714. If identity fraud is suspected by the expert, you will receive initial advice and will be assigned a 'victim of fraud' consultant who will analyse your Credit Report with you, and if necessary formally open a case on your behalf and liaise directly with any lenders searching your Credit Report, or that have recorded a credit account, to seek to have any inaccurate credit information corrected by the lender. Your dedicated victim of fraud consultant is available between the hours of 8am - 8pm Monday to Friday, 9am - 5pm Saturday to Sunday, excluding UK bank holidays. The services provided to you are limited to the description above. The **services** are provided whether or not an **identity** theft event has actually occurred. The identity fraud resolution service is not insurance, and nothing in your agreement will oblige Affinion or its subcontractors to compensate you or assume any risk of or in relation to an identity theft event occurring. For the avoidance of doubt, neither **Affinion** nor its **subcontractors** will be able to become involved in any legal proceedings with a lender or any other investigatory body if a lender disputes whether there has been an identity theft event.

b) Credit Report service including credit score

After we have validated your application for American Express Identity Defence Platinum, we will send you your Credit Report, together with your welcome letter, this will also activate the credit monitoring service. By applying for American Express Identity Defence Platinum, you are authorising us to pass on your data to Callcredit to provide the report and monitoring service under Section 7 of the Data Protection Act 1998, subject to authentication. Unlimited availability of your Credit Report is subject to reasonable usage policy which is a maximum of 30 reports in any one month.

c) Credit monitoring service

Once **your Credit Report** has been requested as set out above, **you** will receive a periodic notification alerting **you** to any significant changes which have occurred in the previous month (including but not restricted to):

- Your Callcredit Credit Report is searched,
- An account is added or deleted from your Credit Report,
- A change is made to the payment history of your credit accounts,
- A judgement, voluntary arrangement or bankruptcy or a decree, debt arrangement or sequestration in Scotland) is added or deleted.

If there have been no such changes then **you** will be notified every month that this is the case.

d) CIFAS Protective Registration

If we identify that you are at risk of identity fraud we may suggest placing a protective registration warning with CIFAS to help protect you. Upon placing the warning, we will send you a form requesting your signed confirmation to keep this service. Unless you return the signed form within 21 days from the date that the warning was placed, the warning will automatically be removed.

e) Sentinel Online Protection Software
Sentinel Online Protection Software helps protect **your** pc from email
'phishing' and key logging attacks. Once **you** have registered online, **you** will
be able to download **your** Sentinel Online Protection Software subject to the **User Licence Agreement**.

You are able to download this software a maximum of three times, and will receive automatic updates for as long as you remain a member of American Express Identity Defence Platinum.

How to make a complaint regarding the services

If you have cause for dissatisfaction and wish to complain about the service elements of this service or about the way in which the product was sold please contact **Affinion** on **0800 030 4714** or write to: Customer Services Manager, **American Express Identity Defence Platinum**, Sentinel House, Airspeed Road, Portsmouth, Hampshire, PO3 5RF quoting your **American Express Identity Defence Platinum membership** number.

We aim to promptly solve most of our customers' complaints at the initial point of contact. Our staff are fully trained to deal with your complaint quickly and effciently. However should you not be satisfied with the response you have received, your complaint will be responded to by the Customer Relations Team who will aim to resolve your complaint, if this is possible, by the end of the next working day following receipt of your complaint. If we cannot resolve your complaint within this time we will write to you within 5 working days, and do our best to resolve the problem within 4 weeks. If we cannot respond within these timescales we will write to you again within 4 weeks to provide you with a final response or to let you know when we will contact you again, which will be within 8 weeks from when you first contacted us about your complaint.

If **we** have not resolved **your** complaint to **your** satisfaction within eight weeks from when **you** first contacted **us you** may refer **your** complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service for an independent review.

General rights

Your agreement and any written representations given to you during your application constitute the entire agreement between you and Affinion. A person who is not a party to your agreement shall have no rights under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any terms of your agreement.

Security

You may be required to validate any request you make to Affinion by providing the security details you have registered during your application. Failure to provide such security details or other suitable validation will result in Affinion refusing to act upon such a request. If you have not registered security details with Affinion you should contact them as soon as possible to ensure they are able to provide you with the service to which you are entitled.

Call Monitoring

You are advised that any telephone calls made to both Affinion, its subcontractors and its administration and claims handling units may be recorded. These recordings may be used to monitor the accuracy of information exchanged between you and the relevant staff. They may also be used to allow additional training to be provided to Affinion staff and its subcontractors, for quality control purposes and in the investigation of any complaints or queries regarding the services. The staff are aware that conversations are monitored and recorded.

Keeping details up to date and changing address

To ensure that **you** are entitled to receive the full benefits provided by the **services**, **you** must keep **Affinion** informed of any changes, additions or deletions to **your** registered card for payment of the **fees**. **You** must inform **Affinion** of any change to **your** home address.

Data Protection Act

The details you supply to Affinion and its subcontractors will be stored securely and used by Affinion and its subcontractors to administer your American Express Identity Defence Platinum membership. Information may be disclosed to American Express, regulatory bodies and/or your bank or card issuer and its subcontractors for the purposes of providing the services, regulatory purposes, including carrying out necessary sanction checks, and in relation to the cancellation of your membership for monitoring and quality purposes. These details will not be kept for longer than is necessary. You are entitled to a copy of all of the information held about you for which Affinion may charge you £10. Subject to the precise data consents given by you, your bank/card issuer will pass your name, address and card details to American Express Identity **Defence Platinum** for future renewals for the purpose of billing **your** account with the fees. By entering into your agreement, you give your consent to the transfer of data outside of the EEA to the USA (including to an affiliate company of **Affinion**) for the purposes stated above. **Your** data may also be disclosed to third parties where required by law or in the event that Affinion merges with or is bought by another company, or otherwise undergoes a corporate restructuring. For more information about the data processing activities of Affinion and its subcontractors please write to Customer Services Manager, American Express Identity Defence Platinum, Sentinel House, Airspeed Road, Portsmouth, Hampshire, PO3 5RF.

Liability

Promises:

American Express Identity Defence Platinum will use all reasonable skill and care in the supply of the services to you. Please note however that the **information** comes from a number of third party sources who may not always keep their **information** up-to-date. **You** agree that one of the purposes of the supply of Information is to alert you to inaccurate information from third party databases. For that reason, any guarantee or warranty that any Information is complete, accurate, up-to-date or error-free, of a satisfactory quality or fit for any particular purpose is inappropriate to the nature of the Services, and we exclude all liability in this respect unless (and to the extent) attributable to our breach or negligence. Except as expressly set out in Your agreement, American **Express Identity Defence Platinum** excludes all other promises to the extent that American Express Identity Defence Platinum are legally allowed to exclude them. (Please refer to your local Citizen's Advice Bureau or local trading standards office for information about your statutory rights and promises which American Express Identity Defence Platinum are not legally allowed to exclude).

Limitation of Liability:

This section (and any other clause excluding or restricting our liability) applies to American Express Identity Defence Platinum's directors, officers, employees, subcontractors, agents and affiliated companies as well as to American Express Identity Defence Platinum. Nothing in this services Agreement in any way limits or excludes American Express Identity Defence Platinum's liability for negligence causing death or personal injury or for fraudulent misrepresentation or for anything which may not legally be excluded or limited. Without prejudice to the rest of your agreement, American Express Identity Defence Platinum's liability of any kind in respect of any services or otherwise shall be limited to the amount equal to fees payable by you in any twelve month period under your agreement. In no event will American Express Identity Defence Platinum be liable for any:

- 1. economic losses (including, without limit, loss of revenues, profits, contracts, **business** or anticipated savings)
- 2. loss of goodwill or reputation
- 3. losses that **you** incur that were not reasonably foreseeable to **you** and **American Express Identity Defence Platinum** when **your agreement** was entered into, or
- 4. damage to or loss of data, to the extent that this was not in the contemplation of American Express Identity Defence Platinum and you at the commencement of the term and is not attributable to American Express Identity Defence Platinum's negligence or breach of your agreement. American Express Identity Defence Platinum will not pay for losses arising from our inability to provide the services in the event of war, terrorism, invasion, an act of foreign enemy, hostilities (whether war be declared or not), riot, strike, civil commotion, civil war, revolution, insurrection or military or usurped power. If any provision of your agreement is found by any court or administrative body of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect the other provisions of your agreement which shall remain in full force and effect.

Calls may be taped or monitored for quality, training and compliance purposes.

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