# **General Terms and Conditions Forfait H**

# as from 1 January 2020

General Terms and Conditions Forfait H of the health insurance company MLOZ Insurance voted by the Board of Directors on 25 September 2019 and the Extraordinary General Meeting on 25 October 2019

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# 1. DEFINITIONS

1.1. Insurer: "MLOZ Insurance" HEALTH INSURANCE COMPANY, insurance company approved by the Control Office of health insurance funds and national associations, Avenue de l'Astronomie, 1 - 1210 Brussels by decision of 24 June 2013 to offer health insurances under branch 2 of appendix 1 of the royal decree of 22 February 1991 on general regulation of the supervision of insurance companies, as well as to cover, on a complementary basis, risks belonging to the assistance such as stipulated under branch 18 of appendix 1 of the above-mentioned royal decree, under code OCM/750/01.

- **1.2. Policy holder:** the person who subscribes the insurance for himself and/or for insured persons and who has to pay the premiums.
- **1.3. Sections:** the sections of MLOZ Insurance are the intermediaries which offer the insurance products: 501 : OZ (<a href="www.oz.be">www.oz.be</a>) 509 : Partenamut (<a href="www.partenamut.be">www.partenamut.be</a>) 526: Partena OZV (<a href="www.partena-ziekenfonds.be">www.partena-ziekenfonds.be</a>), all members of the National Association of independent health insurance funds.
- **1.4. Hospitalisation:** every hospitalisation of at least one night and day hospitalisation in a hospital approved as such by the Ministry of public health which uses scientifically tested diagnosis and therapeutic means.

# 1.5. Day hospitalisation:

Day hospitalisation should exclusively be understood as:

- an organised and integrated day care function in the institution with specific procedures for patient selection, security, quality assurance, continuity, reporting, and collaboration with the different medicaltechnical services; is considered as integrated in the institution: the day care function of the organising authority of the institution, integrated in the medical organisation of the institution and managed by a specialised doctor of the institution
- · a 'day surgery function' acknowledged on the basis of stipulations in the RD of 25 November 1997 defining the norms that the day surgery function should meet in order to be recognised.
- **1.6. Accident:** unexpected event, independent of the will of the insured person, involving a corporal injury of which (one of) the cause(s) is external to the organism. This accident must have involved traumatic injuries for which the treatment is of such a nature that it is covered by these dispositions.
- **1.7. Patient invoice, fee invoice and invoice for ambulatory care in the hospital:** the documents as stipulated in appendix 37, appendix 38 and appendix 37bis respectively of the regulation of 1 February 2016 implementing article 22, 11° of the law on the compulsory insurance for Health Care and Sickness Benefits, coordinated on 14 July 2014.
- **1.8. Receipt:** the document used by the health insurance fund, except for third parties.
- **1.9. Waiting period:** period during which the insurer does not have to provide benefits and beginning at the starting date of the policy.

# 2. ADMISSION

2.1. To join and remain a member of the cover Forfait H, the policy

holder has to be affiliated to the compulsory insurance as well as to the complementary services under one of the four sections mentioned above. However, there are some statutory exceptions (cf those sections: Omnimut, Partenamut, OZ, and Partena Ziekenfonds).

There is no age limit for Forfait H.

2.2. Impact on your affiliation to MLOZ Insurance if the contributions to the complementary services of your health insurance fund are not paid It is important that all contributions for the complementary services of your health insurance fund are always paid.

If your payment is not in order, this can have serious consequences for your affiliation to MLOZ Insurance and for the covers of the insurances you contracted.

2.2.1. Consequences for the affiliation to MLOZ Insurance

You can only join MLOZ Insurance if you have not lost your rights to the complementary services of your health insurance fund due to non-payment of contributions for these services for a period of 24 consecutive months.

2.2.2. Consequences for maintaining your affiliation to MLOZ Insurance If you are already affiliated to MLOZ Insurance, it is legally obliged to terminate your affiliation, and therefore all your covers, if you are sanctioned by the loss of your rights to the complementary services of your health insurance fund because you have not paid for these services during 24 consecutive months.

This automatic exclusion is independent of whether you have always paid the contributions for the insurances of MLOZ Insurance. Subsequently, you can only renew your affiliation to MLOZ Insurance if you regularly pay your contributions for the complementary services of your health insurance fund (every 6-month interruption in the payment of those contributions in the first 24 months of your renewed affiliation, leads to a new exclusion from MLOZ Insurance).

# 3. CONCLUSION AND ENDING OF THE INSURANCE POLICY

# 3.1. Conclusion of the insurance policy

The insurance policy is composed by the acceptance letter and the general terms and conditions with additional clauses.

The insurance policy starts the first day of the month following the month during which MLOZ Insurance received the duly completed "New affiliation request or request to change a product" (internal date or scanning as proof), if MLOZ Insurance receives the first premium for each insured person at last on the last day of the third month following the joining date.

The membership of a newborn or an adopted child under 3 years of age, not exempted from waiting period, starts the first day of the month following the birth or adoption, under the condition that MLOZ Insurance receives the membership application and the medical questionnaire (when it is required) before the end of the third month following the birth or adoption and that MLOZ Insurance receives the first premium at last the last day of the third month following the joining date.

The spontaneous payment of a premium without being requested to do so is not worth membership. If the above-mentioned 3-month term is not respected, this premium will be reimbursed and a new membership procedure will have to be started.

The decision of acceptance is communicated by letter to the candidate

policy holder. The letter will detail the amount and the payment date of the first premium, the date of acceptance of the membership and the starting date of the membership, the duration of the waiting period, the annuity duration of the membership and the insurance product provided.

The insurance policy can be concluded at a distance. Each contract concluded at a distance is concluded at the moment the insurer receives the 'Membership application or product change request', duly completed and signed by the policy holder (on condition that MLOZ Insurance receives the first premium at most on the last day of the third month after the affiliation date).

The policy holder and the insurer have 14 days to end the policy without fine and without stating their grounds.

The cancellation by the policy holder takes effect at the moment this cancellation is announced to the insurer. The cancellation by the insurer takes effect 8 days after the announcement to the policy holder. This right is asserted following the usual conditions for cancellations as stated in 3.2.

# 3.2. Ending of the insurance policy

The insurance policy is a life policy.

However, it ends in case of:

- cancellation by the policy holder, according to the terms stipulated in the law of 4 April 2014, with a prior notice of at least one month starting the first day of the month following the sending of the registered letter or the qualified registered electronic mail, or the delivery of the writ or the cancellation letter against deposit receipt, addressed either directly to MLOZ Insurance or to one of the sections mentioned above. This one month notice is not mandatory in case of a change of hospitalisation cover within Hospitalia.
- · fraud or attempt to fraud.
- voluntary caused injury to the interests of MLOZ Insurance and notably in case of intentional omission or inaccuracy in the statements at the time of joining or introducing reimbursement requests or if the policy holder refuses to conform to these terms.
- · cancellation by the insurer in case of non-payment of the premiums.
- expulsion of the complementary health insurance services.
- transfer to a health insurance fund that does not belong to the Independent health insurance funds (legal cancellation).
- · death.
- · nullity.

# 4. BEGINNING, EXCLUSIONS AND ENDING OF THE GUARANTEE

# 4.1. Beginning of the insurance guarantee

The insurance guarantee begins at the starting date of the insurance policy stipulated in the acceptance letter if the waiting periods have been accomplished.

# 4.1.1. General rule: 6-month waiting period

To benefit from the interventions of MLOZ Insurance, a 6-month waiting period starting at the joining date has to be accomplished. MLOZ Insurance does not intervene for a hospitalisation or ambulatory care which started during the waiting period.

# 4.1.2. Specific rules

· Waiting period exemption for the newborn or the adopted child If one of the parents joined MLOZ Insurance before the birth or adoption, the newborn is covered as from its birth and the adopted child under three years of age as from the date of its adoption, without medical questionnaire, against delivery of a copy of the birth or adoption certificate before the end of the third month following its birth or adoption and provided that the first premium is received at last on the last day of the sixth month following the joining date. The first premium will only be due by the first day of the month following the birth or adoption. This is only applicable if the entitled person of the child in compulsory insurance has achieved his waiting period.

# · Suspension in case of detention

In case of detention and on demand of the policy holder, the statutory rights and obligations may be suspended. These rights and obligations start again the first day of the month following the request of the policy holder to end this period of suspension and on condition that the request is made within 90 days after the end of the reason of suspension and that he pays his premium within 15 days after payment request of MLOZ Insurance.

• Waiting period exemption in case of accident MLOZ Insurance intervenes for every hospitalisation and ambulatory care resulting from an accident which has caused traumatic injuries for which the treatment is of such a nature that it is covered by the dispositions of this document if the accident occurred after the joining date. This intervention is submitted to the positive advice of the Medical Counsellor of MLOZ Insurance.

 Waiting period exemption for similar hospitalisation insurances MLOZ Insurance intervenes for the new policy holders proving with documents that they were covered until the date of membership to MLOZ Insurance and since 6 months by a similar hospitalisation insurance of "compensatory" type, which means an insurance of which the reimbursements are made according to a lump sum per hospitalisation day.

# 4.2. Exclusions of the guarantee

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Are not covered: hospitalisation and care costs related to an illness or accident:

- resulting from acts of war, except for terrorism: still the guarantee remains granted during 14 days after the beginning of the hostilities if the policy holder was taken by surprise by the bursting of a state of war during a trip in a foreign country;
- · resulting from the practice of a remunerated sport, including training;
- following a riot, civil disorder, any act of collective violence of political, ideological or social origin, whether or not accompanied by a revolt against a government or any established authority, except if the policy holder brings the proof that he was not taking active and voluntary part to this events;
- · arising when the policy holder is under influence of narcotics, hallucinogens or other drugs;
- resulting from voluntarily participation in a crime or offence. 'Offence' also refers to offences that are afterwards redefined as violations;
- resulting from an intentional act of the policy holder, except in case
  of rescue of persons or goods, or the voluntary aggravation of the
  risk by the policy holder. The intentional disaster is the one resulting
  from a behaviour "voluntary and deliberately" adopted by the insured
  person and which caused "reasonably foreseeable" damage. It is
  however not required that the insured person had the intention to
  cause the damage as it happened.
- · resulting from drunkenness, alcoholism or drug addiction;
- · resulting from nuclear reactions, except for terrorism.

# 4.3. End of the guarantee

The insurance guarantee ends with the insurance policy.

### **5. RIGHT TO BENEFITS**

MLOZ Insurance and the policy holder collaborate in order to determine the right to benefits which is established on basis of the provided information. The policy holder allows the insurer to ask the needed information and commits himself to collaborate to the right execution of the information and investigation measures which result from the examination of the right to benefits. The insurer refrains from any measure which, regarding to the examination of the right to benefits, is inappropriate, irrelevant or abusive.

If the policy holder can pretend to the compensation of damage, the insurer is subrogated to the rights of the policy holder in the extent of his benefits

The conventions concluded by the policy holder with third parties regarding rights that exist according to the insurance policy or that start in execution of the insurance policy are only opposable to the insurer as from the date on which he approved them.

# **6. OBLIGATIONS OF THE POLICY HOLDER**

The policy holder has to:

- make statements and communications by letter or electronic communication to the head office of the insurer or its sections;
- inform the insurer as soon as possible of the date on which the prior conditions for maintaining the policy are no longer met;
- inform the insurer as soon as possible of any convention covering a similar or identical risk, either totally or partially;
- provide the insurer or its sections with every requested information.

If the policy holder fails to comply with the obligations of the insurance policy or those arising with the execution of the policy, and if after a peril, this breach causes an injury, the insurer can reduce his benefits for the relevant amount.

#### 7. PREMIUMS

Monthly amounts in  $\in$  on 01/01/2020, including all taxes, depending on the age

Affiliated to the product Forfait H				
Under 46 years old*		Between 46 and 49 years old*		
less than 18 years	0,55	from 46 to 49 years	1,85	
from 18 to 24 years	0,95	from 50 to 59 years	2,63	
from 25 to 49 years	1,76	60 years and over	6,22	
from 50 to 59 years	2,50			
60 years and over	5,92			

Between 50 and 54 years old*		Between 55 and 59 years old *	
49 years*	1,94	from 55 to 59 years	3,75
from 50 to 59 years	2,75	60 years and over	8,88
60 years and over	6,51		

At the age of 60 and over*	
59 years*	4,25
60 years and over	10,06

\* Age on 1 January of the membership year

An increase of the premium of respectively 5, 10, 50 and 70% is calculated on the basis rates for the policy holders who are respectively between 46 and 49 years, 50 and 54 years, 55 and 59 years, 60 years and over at the joining date to Forfait H.

# 8. TERMS OF PAYMENT OF THE PREMIUM

The policy holder has to pay his premium on due date, following the agreed periodicity (quarter, semester, year).

The premium can be asked and must be paid in advance. It is sent to the last known address of the policy holder.

Is considered as in advance, any premium received before the first day of the first month of the quarter, semester or year, or, in case of monthly direct debit, within the first 10 days of the month, quarter, semester or year.

The policy holder who did not pay his premium before the first day of the quarter, receives a formal notification by registered letter or qualified electronic registered mail, demanding payment of the premium within 15 days as from the day after the delivery of the registered letter at the post office or of the qualified electronic registered mail. This formal notification informs him of the suspension of the guarantee in case of non-payment within the stated term. It starts a 45-day term at the end of which the membership will be cancelled automatically.

The policy holder who did not pay his premium at the end of a quarter will automatically be charged for a fixed allowance of 15 € as reminder costs.

The disaffiliated policy holder will only be able to affiliate again if he pays all overdue premiums. He will also have to complete a new waiting period to pretend to the benefits again.

# 9. SEGMENTATION HOSPITALISATION INSURANCES

At the moment of affiliation to an insurance policy, the insurance companies apply segmentation criteria that influence the access to the insurance product, the determination of the premiums and the scope of the guarantee.

Underneath, you will find an overview of all the criteria that MLOZ Insurance uses for its hospital insurances.

These criteria depend on the type of product.

The following criteria could be taken into consideration:

# 9.1. At the beginning of the policy:

9.1.1. The age of the insured person because, according to statistic

data, the probabilities of treatment and hospitalisation as well as the amount of the reimbursements increase with age. Therefore, this parameter is taken into account for the fixation of premium amount and access to the product.

a) Access could be limited for certain products. There is no age limit for Forfait H.

b) Depending on the chosen product, affiliation after a certain age may lead to supplementary premiums.

9.1.2. The previous existence of a similar insurance impacts the waiting period, that can be reduced or even cancelled for persons who were insured by a similar insurance until the date of affiliation to MLOZ Insurance. In that case, the waiting period will be reduced by the duration of that insurance. MLOZ Insurance does not make a distinction based on the nature of the insurance (commercial insurance vs. insurance with a health insurance fund) the insured person was covered by before joining MLOZ Insurance.

### 9.2. During the policy:

Age of the insured person because, according to statistic data, the probabilities of treatment or hospitalization increase with age. This criterion might influence the amount of the expenses. Therefore, the contribution amount increases with the age of the insured.

# 10. ADJUSTMENT OF THE PREMIUM, THE BENEFITS AND THE GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The premium, the pricing conditions and the conditions for the coverage of the benefits are defined by taking into account the parameters that are included in the technical plan the insurer compiles on the basis of actuarial criteria and insurance techniques.

Without prejudice to the statutory options for adjusting the premiums and regardless of their adjustment to the index on consumer prices, the contributions may not be increased.

For the application of the index, a comparison will be made between the index rate of April of the current year and the index rate of April of the previous year.

This index rate variation is expressed in percentage and can be applied to the premium and to the benefits in force before indexation.

MLOZ Insurance may decide annually not to apply the indexation possibilities for premiums based on this index, or to apply them only partially.

Nevertheless, the premiums will be increased in function of the different taxes applicable on that matter.

Premiums and coverage can be modified in accordance with article 504 of the Law of 13 March 2016.

# 11. REIMBURSEMENTS OF FORFAIT H

FORFAIT H intervenes in the supported costs during a hospitalisation or a day hospitalisation in Belgium according to a daily lump sum of € 12,35.

The intervention is due in case of hospitalisation in the registered units, which are:

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19	(n)	non-intensive neonatal care unit
21	(C)	diagnostic and surgical treatment unit
22	(D)	diagnostic and medical treatment unit
23	(E)	paediatric unit
24	(H)	general hospitalisation unit
25	(L)	contagious illnesses unit
26	(M)	maternity unit
27	(N)	intensive neonatal care unit
29		burns treatment unit
30	(G)	geriatric and revalidation unit
34	(K)	infantile psychiatric unit (day and night)
37	(A)	neuropsychiatric unit (day and night)
41	(T)	psychiatric unit (day and night)
49	(1)	intensive care unit
61 to 6	66 (Sp)	specialised units:
	61	cardiopulmonary disorders
	62	locomotor disorders
	63	neurological disorders
	64	chronic disorders requiring palliative care
	65	polypathologies chroniques
		chronical polypathologies requiring extended
		medical care

# Limitations

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In case of admission in a G or Sp unit, MLOZ Insurance intervenes in the costs up to the first 25 days per hospitalisation. In case of a new hospitalisation in a G or Sp unit, MLOZ Insurance will only intervene if a period of minimum 6 calendar days has passed since the end of the previous hospitalisation. However, if this period has not passed, MLOZ Insurance will intervene for the remaining 25 days which were not reimbursed during the previous hospitalisation.

psychogeriatric disorders

In case of admission in units 34, 37 or 41, MLOZ Insurance intervenes in the costs up to 10 days per year.

### 12. DISPENSATIONS NOT COVERED

MLOZ Insurance does not intervene:

- for hospital dispensations related to beauty care, unless the Medical Counsellor gave is prior agreement and if the compulsory insurance intervenes;
- · for the dispensations of "rejuvenation" type;
- for the dispensations to an insured person who refuses to receive the visit of a practitioner, a nurse or a social assistant committed by MLOZ Insurance.

# 13. COMPENSATIONS

#### 13.1. Prescription

The action in payment of dispensations as part of the benefits or any other action resulting from the insurance policy becomes prescribed by 3 years as from the day of the event which opens them, which means the day the covered peril happens.

# 13.2. Medical control

The benefits are only granted on the condition that MLOZ Insurance has the right to ask the Medical Counsellor at any time to control the health condition of the insured person and the validity of the dispensations.

## 13.3. Payment of the benefits

To be entitled to reimbursements the policy holder must have paid his premiums.

To obtain the benefits foreseen by Forfait H, the policy holder will fill in the form "Payment request" delivered by MLOZ Insurance, and will provide it with all the justificatory documents proving his/her expenditures: either the original bill, or a copy of the original bill, or a certificate from the hospital about the duration of the hospital stay and the unit number.

MLOZ Insurance can request any complementary document deemed necessary.

Justificatory documents in order to receive a compensation may be delivered digitally to MLOZ Insurance. The digital copy must be of good quality (i. e. readable) and true to the original (no hand-written alterations or updates). MLOZ Insurance reserves the right to request the original from the insured, who must keep it or bear the costs of a duplicate.

The reimbursements will be granted to effectively insured persons or to any person empowered by the "Payment request", after receipt of the expenditures notes and the statement of the legal interventions.

# 14. DATA HANDLING

The personal data of the policy holder and their insured will be processed by MLOZ Insurance acting as data controller, and by the Onafhankelijke Ziekenfondsen (Independent Health Insurance Funds), as agent and processor for MLOZ Insurance, in the context of the allocation and management of the insurance product that the policy holder has subscribed to, and in accordance with the European Regulation of 27 April 2016 on data protection (GDPR). Medical data are collected and handled based on the insured's consent and under the supervision and the responsibility of the Medical Counsellor of MLOZ Insurance. The privacy policy of MLOZ Insurance is available via this link <a href="https://www.mloz.be/nl/content/privacy-mloz-insurance">https://www.mloz.be/nl/content/privacy-mloz-insurance</a>, or upon request in an agency, or by mail (MLOZ - DPO, Route de Lennik 788 A, 1070 Brussels).

# 15. COMMUNICATION MODE AND LANGUAGES

MLOZ Insurance communicates with its insured persons through several canals:

- · by normal post and by e-mail at <a href="mailto:info@hospitalia.be">info@hospitalia.be</a>
- · by phone at number 02 778 92 11
- · via your section: to obtain the coordinates of the nearest agency: 501: OZ (<u>www.oz.be</u>) - 509: Partenamut (<u>www.partenamut.be</u>) -526: Partena OZV (<u>www.partena-ziekenfonds.be</u>)

# Communication language

Every communication is done in French, Dutch, German or English, according to the choice of the policy holder. All our documents are available in French, Dutch, German and English.

# 16. COMPLAINTS

Complaints about the insurance policy may be addressed to the section you are affiliated with.

If the answer does not satisfy you, you can contact MLOZ Insurance's complaints coordinator, either by e-mail: <a href="mailto:complaints@mloz.be">complaints@mloz.be</a>, or by mail: MLOZ Insurance - Complaints coordinator - Route de Lennik 788A, 1070 Brussels.

If you would have a complaint regarding our services we were not able to settle together, you can get in touch with the service Ombudsman Assurances, the head office of which is located on de Meeûssquare 35, 1000 Brussels, tel. 02 547 58 71, fax 02 547 59 75 info@ombudsman.as - www.ombudsman.as

# 17. CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS POLICY

According to the legislation, the HIC "MLOZ Insurance" developed a "Conflicts of interests policy" (www.hospitalia.be).

MLOZ Insurance means to prevent conflicts of interests and notably conflicts of interests which may harm the interests of one or more of its customers by opposing them to the interests of one of its agents, other customers, MLOZ Insurance itself or a co-worker of MLOZ Insurance or its sections. Concerned with con-forming itself to its obligations, MLOZ Insurance elaborated a general frame describing the way it organizes itself to manage conflicts of interests through:

- the identification of potential conflicts of interests
- · managing measures for existing or future conflicts of interests
- information of its customers
- the training of its co-workers
- · a register of conflicts of interests
- · the realization and the regular evaluation of this policy.

# **18. APPLICABLE LAW**

The Belgian law is applicable to precontractual relationships and to the insurance policy.

This summary is for information purpose only. Only the statutes determinate the rights and obligations of the policy holders of MLOZ Insurance.

They are available for consultation at the head office of MLOZ Insurance or on the website  $\underline{www.hospitalia.be}$