



# Combined Product Disclosure Statement & Financial Services Guide

## CONTRACTORS PLANT

MECON Insurance Pty Ltd  
Australian Financial Services Licence No: 253106  
Australian Company Number: 059 310 904

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# Product Disclosure Statement



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This Product Disclosure Statement (PDS) contains important information required under the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth). This PDS includes the Single Project policy wording ('the policy').

## Introduction

### The purpose of this PDS

This PDS has been prepared to assist consumers ('you') in understanding the policy and making an informed choice about your insurance requirements. This PDS sets out the significant features of the policy including its benefits, risks and information about how the insurance premium is calculated. You must read the policy for a full description of the terms, conditions and limitations of the policy. This document applies to any renewals unless we tell you otherwise.

From time to time and where permitted by law, we may change parts of the PDS or the policy. We will issue you with a new PDS or a Supplementary PDS or other compliant document to update the relevant information except in limited cases. Any updates which are not materially adverse to you from the view of reasonable person deciding whether to buy this insurance, may be found on the MECON's website at [www.mecon.com.au](http://www.mecon.com.au). You can obtain a paper copy of any updated information without charge by calling MECON at 02 9252 1040.

Some parts of this document are only relevant for retail clients under the Corporations Act.

### Who is the insurer?

This insurance is issued/insured by:  
AIG Australia Limited (AIG), ABN 93 004 727 753, AFSL 381686,  
Level 19, 2 Park Street, Sydney NSW 2000

AIG issues/insures this product pursuant to an Australian Financial Services Licence granted to them by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission.

AIG is the marketing name for the worldwide property-casualty, life and retirement, and general insurance operations of American International Group, Inc. American International Group, Inc. (AIG) is a leading international insurance organisation serving customers in more than 100 countries and jurisdictions. AIG companies serve commercial, institutional, and individual customers through one of the most extensive worldwide property-casualty networks of any insurer. In addition, AIG companies are leading providers of life insurance and retirement services in the United States. AIG common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange and the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

### The Financial Claims Scheme

In the event of the insolvency of AIG, You may be entitled to payment under the financial claims scheme. Access to the scheme is subject to eligibility criteria. Information about the scheme can be obtained from the APRA website at [www.apra.gov.au](http://www.apra.gov.au) and the APRA hotline on 1300 55 88 49.

### Who is MECON?

MECON Insurance Pty Ltd (ABN 29 059 310 904 and AFSL 253106) will arrange for the issue of the insurance. In this PDS, MECON Insurance Pty Ltd is referred to as 'MECON' and is also called 'we', 'us' and 'our'. MECON is not your agent.

You may contact MECON in any of the following ways:

Phone: (02) 9252 1040  
Email: [customerservice@mecon.com.au](mailto:customerservice@mecon.com.au)  
Mail: PO Box R1789  
Royal Exchange NSW 1225

### Association with Steadfast

MECON is a wholly owned subsidiaries of Steadfast Group Ltd (ABN 98 073 659 677) ('SGL').

SGL may receive a professional services fee (PSF) from insurers, premium funders and underwriting agencies such as MECON (Partner) for access to regulatory and compliance support; marketing and communications; data insights; and access to technology platforms. The PSF is an agreed amount between SGL and the relevant Partner, usually annually. The PSF is not determined by the volume of the business that the Steadfast Network brokers place, nor is the amount of the PSF known to the Steadfast Network Brokers, so it is not able to influence recommendations to their clients.

MECON may have access to shared services from SGL, including: compliance tools; procedures; manuals and training; legal; HR banking; and group purchasing arrangements. These services are funded by SGL, subsidised by SGL or SGL receives a fee for them. SGL's FSG is available at [www.steadfast.com.au](http://www.steadfast.com.au) or on request by telephoning SGL's Company Secretary on +61 2 9495 6500.

### Who is responsible for this document?

MECON is responsible for the policy. AIG is responsible for the PDS. When issuing an insurance policy or dealing with or settling any claims, MECON will act as agent for the insurer and will not act as your agent.

### General Insurance Code of Practice

AIG is a signatory to the General Insurance Code of Practice ('the Code'). The Code aims to raise standards of service between insurers and their customers. For any information about the Code, including a copy of the Code, contact us or visit [www.codeofpractice.com.au](http://www.codeofpractice.com.au).

### Cooling-off period

We will refund all premium paid for cover under the policy if you request cancellation of the policy within fourteen (14) days of its commencement (less any taxes or duties payable that we are unable to have refunded).

To do this, you must advise us in writing and return the policy schedule to us. You will not receive a refund if you have made a claim under the policy.

### How to apply for insurance

Complete the Contractors Plant Proposal form provided by your insurance broker. If we accept your proposal for insurance, you will receive a policy schedule that sets out details of the insurance you have taken out.

Sometimes your circumstances might mean you need additional help in dealing with us. This could be because of physical or mental health, family or financial situation or cultural background. If you are comfortable to do so, you can tell us about your situation, and we will work with you to discuss available support.

### How to make a claim

Please contact us when something happens that you believe you can claim for. Details about making a claim are shown in the policy under: General Conditions (see 14.04 and 14.05 in particular).

### What to do if you have a complaint

MECON and the Insurer are committed to meeting and exceeding our clients' expectations and would like to know if these have not been met. You are entitled to make a complaint about any aspect of your relationship with MECON or the Insurer. The complaints process also applies to complaints regarding a declined claim, the value of a claim or financial hardship.

#### What is a complaint:

A complaint is an expression of dissatisfaction made to or about us, related to our products, services, staff, or the handling of a complaint, where a response or resolution is explicitly or implicitly expected, or legally required.

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## Internal Dispute Resolution Process (IDR)

### What to do if you have a complaint

Regardless of whether the complaint is about MECON or the Insurer, complaints may be made to MECON by:

E: [complaints@mecon.com.au](mailto:complaints@mecon.com.au)  
T: (02) 9252 1040  
M: MECON Insurance Pty Ltd  
PO Box R1789  
Royal Exchange NSW 1225

To allow MECON and the Insurer to consider your complaint, please provide the following (where available):

- Name, address, email and telephone number of the policyholder;
- Policy number, claim number and product type;
- Name and address of the insurance intermediary through whom the Policy was obtained;
- Reasons why you are dissatisfied and an explanation of the situation that led to the complaint;
- Applications for Vulnerability Support and/or Financial Hardship, if applicable;
- Copies of any supporting documentation you believe may assist us in addressing your complaint appropriately.

### How MECON and the Insurer will handle your complaints

MECON aims to acknowledge receipt of your complaint within one (1) Business Day. MECON will advise you of the name and contact details of the person assigned to review the complaint, and who will provide updates to you every ten (10) Business Days. Provided we have all the required information and have completed any necessary investigations, as well as all dispute resolution processes available, you will be provided with a final decision within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the date on which you first made your complaint to MECON.

Depending on the outcome of MECON's review and decision, we may refer your complaint to the Insurer, who will determine whether it will be reviewed further by its Internal Dispute Resolution Committee (IDRC). You will be notified of the outcome of any review, within 30 Calendar Days of MECON first being notified of the complaint.

If we cannot provide you with a final decision within this time, you will be provided you with an Internal Dispute Resolution Delay Notification, outlining the reasons for the delay and your right to complain to the Australian Financial Complaints Authority (AFCA), if you are dissatisfied

## External Dispute Resolution Process (EDR)

### Australian Financial Complaints Authority (AFCA)

If MECON's or the Insurer's IDRC process does not resolve your complaint to your satisfaction, or within 30 Calendar Days of the date MECON first received your complaint, you may be able to seek a review using an external dispute resolution scheme which is administered by AFCA.

AFCA is an independent national scheme for consumers, free of charge and aimed at resolving disputes between the insured and MECON or the Insurer. AFCA can advise you if your complaint or dispute falls within its Rules.

Determinations made by AFCA are binding on MECON and the Insurer, where relevant. If you would like to refer your dispute to AFCA, you must do so within two (2) years of the final decision from IDR. AFCA may still consider a dispute lodged after this time if AFCA considers that exceptional circumstances apply. If AFCA advises you that their Rules do not cover your complaint or dispute, you can seek independent legal advice or access any other external dispute resolution options that may be available to you.

### AFCA's contact details are:

Australian Financial Complaints Authority (AFCA)  
GPO Box 3, Melbourne VIC 3001

Website: [www.afca.org.au](http://www.afca.org.au)

Email: [info@afca.org.au](mailto:info@afca.org.au)

Phone: 1800 931 678 (free call)

### Costs

The premium payable by you will be shown on your policy schedule. The key factors that influence the premium calculation are reflected in the questions asked, and information sought at the time of your enquiry or application for this insurance. These include factors relating to: the type of insured item(s) insured; the age and driving experience of your drivers and operators; where and how the Insured item(s) is / are used; the type of loss covered; the place where your insured item(s) is / are stored when not in use; and your previous insurance and claims history.

Premiums are subject to Commonwealth and State taxes and/or charges. These include GST and stamp duty. The amount of these taxes and / or charges will be shown on your policy schedule.

With each type of cover, a range of additional benefits may be included. The additional benefits available are shown in the policy under Endorsements.

### Exclusions/ Conditions

The policy is designed to provide protection for you in the event of something happening which is insured by it. Under some circumstances, the policy will not provide any insurance cover to you. For example, it does not provide cover for loss, damage or liability arising out of war. The policy states when cover is not provided under:

- ▼ Section One Exclusions;
  - ▼ Section Two Exclusions;
  - ▼ Section Three Exclusions;
  - ▼ Section Four Exclusions;
  - ▼ Section Five General Exclusions; and
  - ▼ Section Six some General Conditionals may also have some Exclusions
- There are things that you must do in order for your insurance cover to apply.

For example, you must take all reasonable precautions to prevent damage and prevent incurring legal liability. In the policy wording we state what you need to do under:

- ▼ General Conditions.

### Significant risks

#### Deductible (or excesses)

If you make a claim under the policy, you may be required to pay one or more deductible. The descriptions of these deductibles and the circumstances in which they are applied are shown in the schedule and in the policy wording under General Conditions and in Endorsements.

Deductibles may be influenced by factors relating to: the type of project insured; its location, value and construction method. Physical risks associated with geographical location or geological conditions and your previous claims history.

At the time of your enquiry or application for insurance, the amount of all deductibles applicable to your insurance policy will be advised to you

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## Single Project

### Significant features and benefits

Section	Property / Liability Insured	Significant Features and Benefits of Cover Provided
Section One Material Damage	Plant and Machinery Registered or Unregistered Insured Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▼ Cover for sudden and accidental physical loss or of damage to insured plant;</li> <li>▼ Cover for windscreen replacement without applying a deductible;</li> <li>▼ Cover of express delivery, overtime, wages and airfreight for the extra costs of expediting repair or replacement;</li> <li>▼ Cover for accessories fitted to insured plant and tools;</li> <li>▼ Cover for debris removal following damage to insured plant;</li> <li>▼ Cover for cost of recovering insured plant that has become immobilised, bogged or stranded without being lost or damaged;</li> <li>▼ Indemnification for some consequent costs to material damage;</li> <li>▼ subject to the terms, conditions, and exclusions of the policy.</li> <li>▼ Refer to section one of the policy wording for full details of the cover provided.</li> </ul>
Section Two Road Risk Liability	Registered insured items	<p>Covers your legal liability to pay for damage to property belonging to others or bodily injury arising out of an insured event and subject to the terms, conditions, and exclusions of the policy.</p> <p>Refer to section two of the policy wording for full details of the cover provided.</p>
Section Three Public Liability	Public and Products Liability	<p>Indemnifies you against:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▼ Public Liability; or</li> <li>▼ Products Liability;</li> </ul> <p>Refer to section three of the policy wording for full details of the cover provided.</p>
Section Four Business Interruption	Interruption to your business resulting from damage covered under Section One	<p>Indemnifies you against:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▼ Loss of Revenue</li> <li>▼ Claim preparation fees</li> </ul>

# Financial Services Guide

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## The Purpose of This Guide

This Financial Services Guide (FSG) is to assist you in deciding whether to use any of our services and contains important information about:

- ▼ The services we can offer you.
- ▼ How we are remunerated.

## Responsibility for Services Provided

We hold a current Australian Financial Services Licence and are authorised to advise and deal in all general insurance products.

We are responsible for the financial services we provide to you, including the distribution of this FSG.

In order to be granted and retain our Licence, we are required to meet strict guidelines in areas such as: staff training, organisational competence, management expertise, financial control and compliance disciplines.

We have an ongoing requirement to maintain and enhance our professionalism to ensure that you receive fair and honest Financial Services from us.

## Who Do We Act For

Generally we operate as an underwriting agency and as such we act on behalf of the insurance company which insures you through the policy (or cover) we issue you. In most cases we have authority to issue an insurance policy under a binder (or contract) arrangement with the insurance company.

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## Our Services

We offer a range of products to assist you and your insurance broker to protect your assets and guard against unexpected events.

## How to Contact Us

If you wish to contact us directly, rather than via your insurance broker, you may contact us by phone, in writing, by email or in person.

## Our Products

Although we are licensed to deal in all classes of general insurance products, we specialise in providing:

- ▼ Contract Works policies, and
- ▼ Contractors Mobile Plant and Machinery policies.

## Retail Clients

Under the Corporation Act 2001 (The Act) Retail Clients are provided with additional protection over other clients. The Act defines Retail Clients as:

Individuals or a manufacturing business employing less than 100 people or any other business employing less than 20 people and that are purchasing the following types of insurance covers:

Motor vehicle, home building, contents, personal and domestic, sickness/accident/travel, consumer credit and other classes as prescribed by regulations.

Some of the information in this FSG only applies to Retail Clients and it is important that you understand if you are covered by the additional protection provided.

## Retail Client Issues

Normally we do not advise on financial products to our Retail Clients, if we do it is only General Advice and this General Advice does not take into account your particular needs and requirements and you should consider the appropriateness of this advice applicable to your circumstances prior to acting upon it.

Although it is not our normal practice to advise on financial products, if we recommend a financial product or we think you are a Retail Client, we will give you a Product Disclosure Statement at that time, which sets out details specific to that product and the key benefits and risks in purchasing the product.

If you are a Retail Client dealing through an insurance broker, any advice provided by the insurance broker is their responsibility and is not provided by MECON Insurance Pty Ltd.

## What We Expect From You

In the unlikely event that we provide you with advice, to enable us to provide the right advice, we need you to provide us with complete information about the risk(s) passed to your circumstances and that you may want to be insured against.

You should also tell us about any relevant mid-term changes in your circumstances affecting your risk as they occur so that we can review your insurance needs accordingly.

You must agree to pay our invoices on time and complete all proposal forms honestly, accurately and return them to us in a timely manner.

## Privacy Notice

This notice sets out how MECON and AIG collect, use and disclose personal information about:

- ▼ you, if an individual; and
- ▼ other individuals you provide information about.

In this section dealing with privacy, "we", "our" and "us" refer to both MECON and AIG as applicable.

Further information about our Privacy Policies is available at:

- ▼ for MECON, at [www.mecon.au/about/privacy-policy/](http://www.mecon.au/about/privacy-policy/) or by contacting us at [customerservice@mecon.com.au](mailto:customerservice@mecon.com.au) or on 02 9252 1040; and
- ▼ for AIG, at [www.aig.com.au](http://www.aig.com.au) or by contacting us at [australia.privacy.manager@aig.com](mailto:australia.privacy.manager@aig.com) or on 1300 030 886.

### How We Collect Your Personal Information

We usually collect personal information from you or your agents. We may also collect personal information from:

- ▼ our agents and service providers;
- ▼ other insurers;
- ▼ people who are involved in a claim or assist us in investigating or processing claims, including third parties claiming under your policy, witnesses and medical practitioners;
- ▼ third parties who may be arranging insurance cover for a group that you are a part of;
- ▼ providers of marketing lists and industry databases; and
- ▼ publicly available sources.

### Why We Collect Your Personal Information

We collect information necessary to:

- ▼ underwrite and administer your insurance cover;
- ▼ improve customer service and products including carrying out research and analysis including data analytics functions; and
- ▼ advise you of our and other products and services that may interest you.

You have a legal obligation under the Insurance Contracts Act 1984 to disclose certain information. Failure to disclose information required may result in us declining cover, cancelling your insurance cover or reducing the level of cover, or declining claims.

## To Whom We Disclose Your Personal Information

In the course of underwriting and administering your Policy we may disclose your information to:

- ▼ you or our agents, entities to which we are related, reinsurers, contractors or third-party providers providing services related to the administration of your Policy;
- ▼ banks and financial institutions for Policy payments;
- ▼ you or our agents, assessors, third party administrators, emergency providers, medical providers, in the event of a claim;
- ▼ entities to which AIG or MECON s related and third-party providers for data analytics functions;
- ▼ government, law enforcement, dispute resolution, statutory or regulatory bodies, or as required by law; and
- ▼ in the case of MECON and AIG, to each other.

AIG is likely to disclose information to some of these entities located overseas, including in the following countries: Canada, Bermuda, Ireland, Belgium, the Netherlands, Germany, France, United States of America, United Kingdom, Singapore, Malaysia, the Philippines, India, Hong Kong, New Zealand as well as any country in which you have a claim and such other countries as may be notified in our Privacy Policy from time to time.

## Access To Your Personal Information

Our Privacy Policies contain information about how you may access and seek correction of personal information we hold about you. In summary, you may gain access to your personal information by submitting a written request to MECON or AIG.

In some circumstances permitted under the Privacy Act 1988, we may not permit access to your personal information. Circumstances where access may be denied include where it would have an unreasonable impact on the privacy of other individuals, or where it would be unlawful.

## Complaints

Our Privacy Policies also contain information about how you may complain about a breach of the applicable privacy principles and how we will deal with such a complaint.

## Consent

If applicable, your application includes a consent that you and any other individuals you provide information about consent to the collection, use and disclosure of personal information as set out in this notice.

## More Information, Access, Correction or Complaints

For more information about our privacy practices including how we collect, use or disclose information, how to access or seek correction to your information or how to complain in relation to a breach of the Australian Privacy Principles and how such a complaint will be handled, please refer to our Privacy Policy available at our website or by contacting us (our contact details are below).

## Contact Us & Opting Out

If you wish to withdraw your consent for receiving information on products and offers by us or persons, we have an association with or obtaining additional information about our privacy policies, please contact us:

By phone: 02 9252 1040

By email: [customerservice@mecon.com.au](mailto:customerservice@mecon.com.au)

In writing: MECON Insurance Pty Ltd PO Box R1789 Royal Exchange NSW 1225

## Duty of disclosure

If you enter into a contract for this insurance product, and such insurance is not for a home Project where you are an individual who has been issued an owner builder licence for the purpose of such Project, the following Duty of Disclosure Notice will apply:

Before you enter into an insurance contract, you have a duty to tell us anything that you know, or could reasonably be expected to know, may affect our decision to insure you and on what terms.

You have this duty until we agree to insure you.

You have the same duty before you renew, extend, vary or reinstate an insurance contract.

You do not need to tell us anything that:

- ▼ reduces the risk we insure you for; or
- ▼ is common knowledge; or
- ▼ we know or should know as an insurer; or
- ▼ we waive your duty to tell us about.

## If you do not tell us something

If you do not tell us anything you are required to, we may cancel your contract or reduce the amount we will pay you if you make a claim, or both.

**If your failure to tell us is fraudulent, we may refuse to pay a claim and treat the contract as if it never existed.**

## Cooling Off Provisions

All Retail products are subject to a 14 day 'cooling off period'. This means that if you are not happy with the product, you have 14 days to withdraw from the contract at no cost to you.

## Compensation

We hold a Professional Indemnity Policy. This policy is designed to pay claims made by third parties (including our clients) arising out of our professional negligence. The policy extends to cover us for work done for us by representatives / employees after they cease to work for us and satisfies the requirements for compensation arrangements under Section 912B of the Financial Services Reform Act 2001.

## Our Sources of Income

When binding your insurance, we usually receive a commission, paid out of your premium, from the insurer. The amount can vary between 0% and 17% of the base premium you pay. We retain the commission from the premium paid to us and remit the balance to the insurer. We also receive commission for each extension of cover requiring an additional premium. We usually charge you a policy administration fee which will appear separately on your invoice.

Where a policy is cancelled before the period of insurance has ended we will usually retain the administration fee, but return commission on any premium refund.

We may receive additional remuneration from insurers with whom we have profit share arrangements. This remuneration is payable if we meet profitability targets set by the insurer.

We retain the interest on premiums paid by you that are held in our trust account before paying the insurer.

If you pay by credit card we may charge you a credit card (incl. arrangement & handling) fee, which is disclosed and shown separately on our invoices, they are non-refundable. This fee covers the cost of bank charges etc. associated with such facilities.

## How our Staff are Paid

Our staff do not receive any benefit directly from the sale of a product to you, they may receive bonuses payable based on the overall performance of our business.