

Absolute Business Legal



Target Market Statement

Product Description

Absolute Business Legal provides legal advice and pays legal costs and expenses such as solicitors' fees, opponents' costs and court costs to represent businesses for a range of legal disputes. Claimants must have a 51% chance or greater of winning their case for a claim to be covered, unless it is brought under Insured event 1 Employment, where this requirement does not apply other than where the claimant is pursuing an appeal against the decision of a court or tribunal. There is a remote business healthcheck of the business's employment practices and policies provided by a HR consultant.

Employment Compensation Awards cover has an excess of £1,000 for every claim.

Also included is access to a range of helplines (including legal advice) and our Business Legal Services website.

Product Governance Process

ARAG operate a robust sign off process for all new products and material product changes, with the following areas of accountability.

- Product Development Team produce technical performance reviews at product and thematic level. This work informs pricing and product content.
- Product Development Team conduct research and co-ordinate product launch/relaunch/change activity. The team drafts policy documentation, supporting literature and provides technical training.
- Product Development Team engage with stakeholders throughout the process.
- The Product Development Manager sits on the Conduct Risk Committee.
- Underwriting & Claims Committee provide approval of product development.
- Sales, Product & Innovation and Group Risk Management at ARAG Group (and other stakeholders) approve new product ideas/innovation.
- Products are also approved by our capacity Underwriters.
- Underwriting teams conduct technical performance reviews at account level.
- Claims audit teams audit external service providers.

Products are reviewed at regular intervals, scheduled based on a number of factors such as the size, scale, contractual duration and complexity of those insurance products, their respective distribution channels, and any relevant external factors such as changes to the applicable legal rules, technological developments, or changes to the market situation. Such reviews will be undertaken every 12 months or more frequently where the potential risk associated with the product makes it appropriate to do so.

Target Audience

Absolute Business Legal is designed for businesses located in the United Kingdom, Channel Islands or the Isle of Man.



Target Market Statement (continued)

Eligibility

- Businesses must be registered in the United Kingdom, Channel Islands or the Isle of Man.
- Maximum period of insurances bound will be 12 months plus odd time not exceeding 18 months in total.

Types of customer for whom the product would be unsuitable

Absolute Business Legal cover is **not suitable** for:

- Non commercial risks
- Non-UK based risks
- Risks that require landlord and tenant disputes cover as a landlord

The addition of Absolute Business Legal cover must attach to another insurance product sale.

Distribution Method

- Sold as a stand-alone or as an optional or bundled add-on to commercial insurances.
- Embedded as a section of a commercial insurance product - either as an optional section or mandatory inclusion.
- Distributed through intermediaries (i.e. insurance brokers, MGAs or insurance companies).