



VEHICLE OWNER VEHICLE INVESTIGATION TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Definitions:

- **1.1.** "Company" means Waidler (Pty) Ltd a company with limited liability which is incorporated in terms of the Company Laws of South Africa with company registration number: 2014/228614/07 with its registered address situated at
- **1.2.** "Consent" means permission to be obtained by the insurance company/Insurer from the vehicle owner.
- **1.3.** "Digital Data Download" means the parameters and data which have been recorded on the electronically controlled vehicle systems;
- **1.4.** "Insurance company" means the insurer of a vehicle that places an order for an investigation at the company.
- **1.5.** "Investigation" means the execution, download and interpret of digital data download on behalf of the insurance company.
- **1.6.** "Investigator" means an employee, sub-contractor or third party, engaged and/or affiliated with the Company, who is responsible for conducting an investigation into the digital data of the identified vehicle and who will carry out the investigation on behalf of the insurance company.
- **1.7.** "Operational Information" means information regarding the vehicle prior to the collision which will be obtained via digital data download which will be shared with the insurance company;
- **1.8.** Personal Information" means information or an opinion (including information forming part of a database), whether true or not, and whether recorded in a material form or not, about an individual whose identity is apparent, or can reasonably be ascertained, from the information or opinion;
- **1.9.** "Terms and Conditions" means this document, including any ancillary documents or attachments which is specifically incorporated herein.
- **1.10.** "Report" means the written and/or digital report produced by the company as part of the investigation, which includes the insurance company's name and address, registration details of the specific vehicle inspected and its location and an outline of any areas of concern which the Inspector has decided should be brought to the attention of the insurance company.
- **1.11.** "Vehicle" means the vehicle in respect of which the insurance company requires an Inspector to carry out an Investigation.

1.12. "Vehicle Owner" means the registered owner/individual in terms of title and	l					
possession of a specific Vehicle with the following particulars Name						
, Identity number						
address						







2. Background and Introduction

- **2.1.** Waidler (Pty) Ltd is a motor vehicle investigation service that provides a one stop solution to automotive related services. Waidler (Pty) Ltd possess extensive expertise in the automotive industry where motor vehicle collisions, defects and damages are concerned.
- **2.2.** The insurance company have to procured an Waidler (Pty) Ltd to conduct certain vehicle investigation services.
- **2.3.** Investigations are prepared from visual, external and digital data download of a vehicle. Investigations do not normally involve dismantling or disturbing any structure, assembly, component or internal mechanism, however, there may be instances where the vehicle is totalled, and it requires the company to dismantle certain parts of the vehicle in order to obtain the vehicle's control unit; It mainly consists of the downloading of digital data from the vehicles internal recorded data called digital data download.
- **2.4.** Digital data download will be retrieved in a binary syntax and will be decoded via code protocols provided by the unit manufacture. The retrieval of this information will be performed directly from the Micro Processor stored on the hardware, either via the OBDII interface in the vehicle or via the relevant pins on the unit itself. All available data and parameters are recorded in a closed loop circuit and stored according to a first in first out principle. Therefore, it cannot be tampered and deleted manually. This process is not comparable with a common diagnostic test.

3. Consent to inspect and acknowledgement

- 3.1. By signing the Consent Letter (Annexure "B"), the Vehicle Owner unequivocally agrees to these terms and conditions and undertakes to abide hereby.
- 3.2. Schedule "C" contains an explanation on the process and what data will be extracted from the Vehicle's digital data, in order to assist with the investigation.

4. Reports and Content

- 4.1. Due to the confidential nature of the services that the company renders, the reports will under no circumstances be shared with any third party and will only be submitted to the insurance company directly.
- 4.2. All reports, content and downloaded digital data are a true technical and scientific reflection of facts only. The parties agree that under no circumstances will the vehicle owner or insurance company request any amendment or changes to be made which would deform the true reflection and/or integrity of such a report.

5. Third Parties

- 5.1. The parties agree that under no circumstances will any information be shared with any third party, which includes but is not limited to policy holder, vehicle owner, witnesses, panel beater etc.
- 5.2. Any and all correspondence will only occur between the company and the insurance company. Any information requested by a third party will have to be channelled through the insurance company in relation to any discussions relating to results, reports, explanations or meetings and the same can only be only requested via the insurance company or a representative acting on its behalf.





6. Enforcement of terms

6.1. Each of the clauses of these terms operates separately. If any court of relevant authority decides that any of them are unlawful, the remaining clauses will remain in full force and effect.

7. Verification of evidence before a Court of law

- **7.1.** The Company will under no circumstances disclose any "raw data" to any third party, insurer, insurance company or whoever requests same, without a court order first being obtained by the party requesting the information.
- **7.2.** Should it be required, the parties agree that the investigator will testify voluntarily to verify its expert findings, however and any right to Private Privilege and/or privileged information must be granted and/or respected. No question into any privileged and/or private information will be answered, unless a Court Orders the investigator to answer same;

8. Use of personal information.

8.1. The Company will use the obtained personal information for the purposes outlined in the fair processing notice in the Schedule below. The Company will use your Vehicle's operational information as downloaded from the vehicle systems for purposes of an investigation only and will only disclose same to the insurance company or any of its appointed representatives.

9. Notice.

- **9.1.** All notices under these terms and conditions shall be in writing and: (a) if delivered personally or by an internationally recognized overnight courier, be deemed given upon delivery; (b) if sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, be deemed given upon receipt; or (c) if transmitted electronically, be deemed given on the date on which the acknowledgment of receipt has been received.
- **9.2.** A party may from time to time change its address or designee for notification purposes by giving the other prior written notice of the new address or designee and the date upon which it shall become effective. Notices shall be sent to the parties' personally as described herein below

10. Interpretation

- **10.1.** The headings used in these terms and conditions are for convenience only and shall not affect the interpretation of their contents.
- **10.2.** These terms and conditions are governed by South African Law. No amendment of or addition to this Agreement or any consensual cancellation thereof or any part thereof shall be binding on the parties unless reduced to a written document and signed by them;
- **10.3.** No relaxation or indulgence, which the Company may show to the insurance company, shall in any way prejudice the Company or be deemed to be a waiver of its rights nor shall such relaxation or indulgence preclude or stop the Company from exercising its rights in terms of this agreement in respect of any further breach;
- **10.4.** This Agreement constitutes the whole agreement between the parties and no warranties or presentations whether express or implied have been given or made by the Company to the insurance company;



Signatories



10.5. Each paragraph or clause in this Agreement is severable form the other and if any paragraph or clause is found by any competent court to be defective or unenforceable for any reason whatsoever, the remaining paragraphs or clauses shall be in full force and effect and continue to be of full force and effect.

10.6. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained, this Agreement shall be deemed to have become binding on the parties on the date of signing of this Agreement by both parties.

Signed at	on this	of	

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		Full name		
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With o	domicilium situated at			
As wit	nesses for the COMPANY:			
1.	Signature	Full name		
2.	Signature	Full name		
Insurance company Name: ID/Reg No:				
Addre	ss:	as domicilium		
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AS WII	Hesses for the insured / Verticel Owner:			
1.	Signature	Full name		
2.	Signature	Full name		

By signing this document, you declare that all details are true and correct and that you are bound by the terms and conditions as stated above.







Schedule "A" SCOPE OF INVESTIGATION

Collision Investigation:

- Download all stored digital data and parameters to determine the collision data.
- Determine the speed driven prior to the time of impact.
- Vehicle behaviour prior to and during the collision.
- Steering actions recorded.
- Braking actions recorded.
- Determine whether the kilometre reading has been altered on the instrument cluster.
- Identify all performance enhancements conducted on the vehicle.
- Determine if any faults on the vehicle could have contributed to the incident.
- Evaluate the overall condition of the vehicles tyres and brakes.

Technical/Mechanical Investigation:

- Download all stored digital data and parameters to determine the incident data.
- Identify the technical specifications on the vehicle.
- Verify whether any malfunction or warning indication lights were illuminated. (Exact date & time, and kilometre reading)
- Determine how long the malfunction or warning indication lights were illuminated.
- Determine the distance driven with the vehicle after impact recognition until the vehicle was finally stopped.
- Identify the damages caused to the vehicles engine/transmission/ etc.
- Determine what the cause of damage was to the vehicle engine/transmission/ etc.
- Verify whether the damages are due to a collision with an object as per the provided brief incident description.
- Verify whether the damages are due to continuous operation after engine oil/coolant oss. Consequential loss.
- Verify whether the damages are due to mechanical failure.
- Determine if any faults on the vehicle could have contributed to the incident.
- Evaluate the overall condition of the vehicle and the vehicles engine. Sufficiently maintained.
- Evaluate the overall condition of the vehicles tyres and brakes.

Water Ingress Investigation:

- Download all stored digital data and parameters to determine the incident data.
- Identify the technical specifications on the vehicle.
- Verify whether any malfunction or warning indication lights were illuminated.
- Identify the damages caused to the vehicles engine.
- Determine what the cause of damage was to the vehicle engine.
- Verify whether the damages are due to water ingress.
- Verify whether the damages are due to mechanical failure.
- Determine if any faults on the vehicle could have contributed to the incident.
- Evaluate the overall condition of the vehicle and the vehicles engine. Sufficiently maintained.
- Evaluate the overall condition of the vehicles tyres and brakes.

Key Readout/Theft Investigation:

- Verify whether the VIN correlates with the said vehicle and with the key(s) provided.
- Verify if the keys() are indeed Original & Genuine ... vehicle key(s).
- Verify the last used date and time of the provided keys.
- Provide any additional information available on the key.





GPS-Location Tracking:

- Retrieve the coordinates of the vehicle last location picked up via the satellite navigation signal.
- Retrieve the date and time of when the vehicles last location signal was active.
- Verify whether the vehicles satellite navigation signal is still active.

Fire Investigation:

- Identify the damages caused by the fire.
- Identify the causes/source of the fire to the vehicle.
- Determine if any faults on the vehicle could have contributed to the incident.
- Evaluate the overall condition of the vehicle prior to the fire.
- Identify any previous damages to the vehicle prior to the fire.
- Identify the causes/source of the fire to the vehicle.

Fraud Investigation:

- Verify whether the damages to the vehicle are due to the provided incident description. (Staged Collision/Staged Water Ingress Incident/Staged Mechanical Failure)
- Verify whether the provided incident description corresponds with the Digital Findings. (Staged Theft/Hi-Jacking of vehicle)





Schedule "A"

SCOPE OF INVESTIGATION						
Accident vehicle investigation including digital data download						
1. I, the undersigned, with identity number do hereby confirm that I am the owner of the vehicle listed below. I confirm that I provide my unconditional consent to the insurance company and/or its third party who has appointed the Company to conduct an in-depth investigation into the digital recorded data of my vehicle. This data may be utilised for external research.						
2. I fully understand that personal information may be detected during the investigation and the Company undertakes that it will not disclose any personal information to any third party, however for purposes of this investigation only operational information of the vehicle will be disclosed to the insurer. Please refer to the explanatory letter for an explanation of the information and/or data which will be collected during the course of the investigation.						
Reference number						
Insurance company Name and Surname						
Insurance company Contact Details	Cel	l:	Email:			
Insurance company ID Number						
*Note: All information	above	required.				
VEHICLE DETAILS						
Vehicle Make and Model						
Vehicle Registration						
Engine Number						
Vin Number						
*Note: All information	above	required.				
3. I certify that the statements made, and information contained before investigation starts, are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and that I read and understood all other terms and conditions of which I bind myself to.						
Insurance company:						
Name and Surname:						
Signature Date:						
Signature:						

(No electronic signature will be accepted)





"Schedule C" EXPLANATORY LETTER

Road Collision and vehicle investigation including digital data download

- 4. The Company has been appointed to conduct an in-depth investigation on the vehicle, with specification listed in the consent letter. The following X information may be obtained from the investigation:
- Speed driven, prior to the accident and at point of impact (Vector calculation)
- Passive Safety System Parameters. i.e. Vehicle motions and behaviour (Gravity forces in X, Y, Z Axle); Vehicle Occupation; Airbag Deployment; Impact recognition; Restraint System activation.
- Instrument Cluster parameters. i.e. KM-reading and possible tampering
- Parameters from the Navigation system. i. e. GPS coordinates; driving distance, location and time
- Parameters from Active Safety Systems i.e. Braking actions, ESP activation, Line Assist activation,
- Parameters from the Steering Systems i.e. Steering actions
- Parameters from Automatic Transmission Systems. i.e. Gear Selection, Transmission Driving Mode
- Pre-existing damages, defaults and erased defaults
- Video and audio messages in and around vehicle (Telematic Systems, Vehicle systems related)
- Presence of chemical substances. i.e. Chemical analysis of fluids
- 4.1. For purposes of this explanatory letter, the following definitions has baring:
- 4.1.1. **"Digital Data Download"** means the parameters and data which have been recorded on the electronically controlled vehicle systems;
- 4.1.2. **"Operational Information"** means information regarding the vehicle prior to the collision which will be obtained via Digital Data Download which will be shared with the insurer;
- 4.1.3. **"Personal Information"** means information or an opinion (including information forming part of a database), whether true or not, and whether recorded in a material form or not, about an individual whose identity is apparent, or can reasonably be ascertained, from the information or opinion;
- 4.1.4. **"The Company"** means Waidler (Pty) Ltd, a private company incorporated in terms of the company laws of South Africa, which is appointed to conduct an investigation into a collision using its state-of-the-art technologies in order to obtain digital data from the vehicle immediately prior to the collision.
- 4.1.5. **"Insurance company"** means the individual/company/third party which appointed The Company to conduct an investigation into a collision.

Process:

Digital data download will be retrieved in a binary syntax and will be decoded via code protocols provide by the unit manufacture. The retrieval of these information will be performed directly from the Micro Processor stored on the hardware, either via the OBDII interface in the vehicle or via the relevant pins on the unit itself and from Micro Processor directly via a Batronix Reader X. All available data and parameters are recorded in a closed loop system and is stored according to a first in - first out principle. Therefore, it cannot be tampered and deleted manually. This process is not comparable with a common diagnostic test.





Undertaking:

Every effort has been made by the insurer and The Company to provide accurate information and facts. All information gathered is an accurate reflection of the vehicle at the time and date of investigation. Data and information that is retrieved will not be handed over directly to the policy holder. The Company undertakes to not in any way contact or be contacted by the policy holder and all information and data will only be provided to the insurance company

Declaration:

By signing the attached Consent Letter, the Vehicle owner hereby declare that he/she/it has read and understood the above and that this will be binding on the parties and was not forced to sign the consent letter.

Schedule "D" PROCESSING OF PERSONAL INFORMATION NOTICE

Using your personal information

The Company will use your personal information to provide the Investigation the insurance company and/or the insurer has requested and for investigation into a collision purposes. The Company may also use your personal information to prevent and detect fraud.

The Company may disclose your information to other people and organisations to enable The Company to provide the Investigation the insurance company/Insurer have requested or where legitimately required for legal or regulatory purposes including prospective legal proceedings. By providing us your details is viewed as a consent to such disclosure. The Company will always use reasonable efforts to ensure sufficient protection is in place to safeguard your personal data as required by the Protection of Personal Information Act as well as the GDPR.

