



ACC CoverPlus Extra

What's it all about...

CoverPlus Extra is an optional cover product that allows you to choose how much of your income you want covered if you have an accident and can't work. ACC will pay 100% of the agreed cover divided into weekly payments until you can get back to full-time work. For example, if you're entitled to \$52,000 per year as your cover, ACC will pay 100% of that amount each week, which is \$1000 before tax.

CoverPlus Extra is especially suited to those who:

- have fluctuating income, either yearly or seasonal as you'll know exactly how much ACC will pay out.
- want to apply for more, or less, cover than your actual income.
- are newly self-employed with no earnings history and want assurances around your cover.

Benefits include:

- Your levy invoices are predictable as ACC calculate them by using the level of cover you nominate and agree with. So, there are no surprises at invoice time.
- Like ACC's standard cover, the injury that leads to time off work doesn't have to be work-related. CoverPlus Extra covers injuries that happen anywhere, eg at home, on the road, during sports, etc.
- More control over how much you pay in levies as you can choose to pay a lower levy in return for lower weekly compensation or a higher levy and receive higher weekly compensation.

Choosing a level of cover for CoverPlus Extra

You can apply for cover for any amount of income between \$29,453 and \$102,776. We'll work together to determine your cover amount.

You can apply for CoverPlus Extra if you're:

- self-employed and working:
 - full time (more than 30 hours per week on average)
 - part time (less than 30 hours per week on average) and have earnings above the CPX minimum for the current year
- a non-PAYE shareholder, ie you don't receive PAYE deducted earnings from a company you're a shareholder of as you pay levies through PAYE.

Confirming your cover:

Once we've processed your application, ACC will post you a policy acceptance form, which you must sign and return to ACC. ACC use the date they receive the signed acceptance form as the start date of your policy, and then send you an invoice.

How invoicing on CoverPlus Extra works:

You'll receive your first invoice once your cover is confirmed. Your policy will renew each year and you'll pay an invoice for the year ahead. ACC will send your renewal details to you yearly, to ensure you have a chance to check everything is still correct before you receive your CoverPlus Extra invoice.

Each year you'll also receive a separate invoice for your Working Safer Levy when ACC receive your actual income information from Inland Revenue. This is a separate invoice as it is outside of the agreed level of cover for us.

As CoverPlus Extra is an opt-in product, it's important that ACC receive payment on or before your invoice due date. Non-payment will result in your CoverPlus Extra policy being cancelled and you'll revert to standard cover. If this happens, you can re-apply for CoverPlus Extra, however, you'll need to go through the full application process again.

If you're not sure what level of cover works best for you, talk to us. We are here to help.

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