# STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY

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# CERTIFICATE GROUP LIFE INSURANCE

Policyholder:

Policy Number:

750976-A

Effective Date:

January 1, 2015

Classification:

Retired Members

A Group Policy has been issued to the Policyholder. We certify that you will be insured as provided by the terms of the Group Policy. If your coverage is changed by an amendment to the Group Policy, we will provide the Policyholder with a revised Certificate or other notice to be given to you.

Possession of this Certificate does not necessarily mean you are insured. You are insured only if you meet the requirements set out in this Certificate. If the terms of the Certificate differ from the Group Policy, the terms stated in the Group Policy will govern.

"We", "us" and "our" mean Standard Insurance Company. "You" and "your" mean the Member. All other defined terms appear with the initial letter capitalized. Section headings, and references to them, appear in boldface type.

Chairman, President and CEO

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#### **COVERAGE FEATURES**

This section contains many of the features of your group life insurance. Other provisions, including exclusions and limitations, appear in other sections. Please refer to the text of each section for full details. The Table of Contents and the Index of Defined Terms help locate sections and definitions.

# GENERAL POLICY INFORMATION

Group Policy Number: 750976-A

Type of Insurance Provided:

Life Insurance: Yes

Dependents Life Insurance: No

Policyholder: University of Arkansas

Employer(s): Campuses and units of the University of Arkansas System

and designated affiliated entities of the University as

approved in writing by the Policyholder and us

Group Policy Effective Date: January 1, 2015

Policy Issued in: Arkansas

# BECOMING INSURED

To become insured for Life Insurance you must: (a) Be a Member; (b) Complete your Eligibility Waiting Period; and (c) Meet the requirements in **Life Insurance**.

Definition of Member: You are a Member if you are an employee who retires while

covered under the Policyholder's group life insurance program and on the date of retirement has age and continuous years of service with the University of Arkansas equal to at least a total of seventy (70) and immediately prior to retirement has completed ten (10) or more consecutive years of continuous coverage under the Policyholder's group life insurance program or who has retired under an early retirement agreement approved by

The Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas.

Class Definition:

Class 2: Retired Members who retired prior to January 1, 2021,

other than retired Members of Phillips Community College (This class does not include a Member who is covered under

Waiver Of Premium.)

This Certificate applies to the class listed above. Other classes are also covered under the Plan.

Contact the Policyholder for further information.

Eligibility Waiting Period: You are eligible on the later of (A) the Group Policy Effective

Date, or (B) the date you become a retired Member.

# PREMIUM CONTRIBUTIONS

Life Insurance: Contributory

If your coverage is Contributory and has been continued under the Waiver Of Premium provision of the Group Policy and is scheduled to end, you may apply for coverage as a retiree within 31 days following the date your coverage under the Waiver Of Premium provision ends. If you apply within 31 days and agree to pay premiums, you will not be required to submit Evidence Of Insurability and your retiree coverage will be effective on the day after your coverage under Waiver Of Premium ends.

If you do not apply within 31 days, your coverage under the Group Policy will end as provided under the Waiver Of Premium provision.

# SCHEDULE OF INSURANCE

#### SCHEDULE OF LIFE INSURANCE

For you:

Life Insurance Benefit:

Plan 1 (basic): \$10,000

A Member may not be insured as both an active Member and a retired Member.

Plan 2 (additional): None

The Repatriation Benefit: The expenses incurred to transport your body to a mortuary

near your primary place of residence, but not to exceed \$5,000 or 10% of the Life Insurance Benefit, whichever is

less.

#### REDUCTIONS IN INSURANCE

Your insurance is not subject to reductions due to age.

# OTHER PROVISIONS

Limits on Right To Convert if Group Policy terminates or is amended:

Minimum Time Insured: 5 years

Maximum Conversion Amount: \$10,000

#### LIFE INSURANCE

# A. Insuring Clause

If you die while insured for Life Insurance, we will pay benefits according to the terms of the Group Policy after we receive Proof Of Loss satisfactory to us.

#### B. Amount Of Life Insurance

See the **Coverage Features** for the Life Insurance schedule.

## C. Changes In Life Insurance

A decrease in your Life Insurance because of your retirement becomes effective on the first day of the pay period coinciding with or next following the date you retire.

# D. Repatriation Benefit

The amount of the Repatriation Benefit is shown in the **Coverage Features**.

We will pay a Repatriation Benefit if all of the following requirements are met.

- 1. A Life Insurance Benefit is payable because of your death.
- 2. You die more than 200 miles from your primary place of residence.
- 3. Expenses are incurred to transport your body to a mortuary near your primary place of residence.

#### E. When Life Insurance Becomes Effective

The **Coverage Features** states whether your Life Insurance is Contributory or Noncontributory.

If you apply for Life Insurance on or before your retirement date, or within 31 days of your retirement date, your Life Insurance as a retiree will become effective on the first day of the pay period coinciding with or next following the date you retire.

If you do not apply within 31 days of your retirement date, you may not become insured for Life Insurance as a retiree. If your Life Insurance ends for any reason while you are a retiree, you may not become insured again as a retiree under the Group Policy.

# F. When Life Insurance Ends

Life Insurance ends automatically on the earliest of:

- 1. The date the last period ends for which a premium was paid for your Life Insurance;
- 2. The date the Group Policy terminates;
- 3. For Retired Members:

Plan 1 Life Insurance does not end solely because of your retirement;

The amount of Plan 1 Life Insurance available after retirement is shown in the Schedule Of Insurance portion of the **Coverage Features**; and

Plan 2 Life Insurance ends on the first day of the pay period coinciding with or next following the date you retire;

4. The date you cease to be a Member.

# RIGHT TO CONVERT

# A. Right To Convert

You may buy an individual policy of life insurance without Evidence Of Insurability if:

- 1. Your Insurance ends or is reduced due to a Qualifying Event; and
- 2. You apply in writing and pay us the first premium during the Conversion Period.

Except as limited under C. Limits On Right To Convert, the maximum amount you have a Right To Convert is the amount of your Insurance which ended.

# B. Definitions For Right To Convert

- 1. Conversion Period means the 60-day period after the date of any Qualifying Event.
- 2. Insurance means all your insurance under the Group Policy, including insurance continued under Waiver Of Premium.
- 3. Qualifying Event means termination or reduction of your Insurance for any reason except:
  - a. The Member's failure to make a required premium contribution.
  - b. Payment of an Accelerated Benefit.
- 4. You and your mean any person insured under the Group Policy.

# C. Limits On Right To Convert

If your Insurance ends or is reduced because of termination or amendment of the Group Policy, 1 and 2 below will apply.

- 1. You may not convert Insurance which has been in effect for less than the Minimum Time Insured. See **Coverage Features**.
- 2. The maximum amount you have a Right To Convert is the lesser of:
  - a. The amount of your Insurance which ended, minus any other group life insurance for which you become eligible during the Conversion Period; and
  - b. The Maximum Conversion Amount. See Coverage Features.

#### D. The Individual Policy

You may select any form of individual life insurance policy we issue to persons of your age, except:

- 1. A term insurance policy;
- 2. A universal life policy;
- 3. A policy with disability, accidental death, or other additional benefits; or
- 4. A policy in an amount less than the minimum amount we issue for the form of life insurance you select.

The individual policy of life insurance will become effective on the day after the end of the Conversion Period. We will use our published rates for standard risks to determine the premium.

# E. Death During The Conversion Period

If you die during the Conversion Period, we will pay a death benefit equal to the maximum amount you had a Right To Convert, whether or not you applied for an individual policy. The benefit will be paid according to the **Benefit Payment And Beneficiary Provisions**.

# **CLAIMS**

#### A. Filing A Claim

Claims should be filed on our forms. If we do not provide our forms within 15 days after they are requested, the claim may be submitted in a letter to us.

#### B. Time Limits On Filing Proof Of Loss

Proof Of Loss must be provided within 90 days after the date of the loss. If that is not possible, it must be provided as soon as reasonably possible, but not later than one year after that 90-day period.

If Proof Of Loss is filed outside these time limits, the claim will be denied. These limits will not apply while the Member or Beneficiary lacks legal capacity.

#### C. Proof Of Loss

Proof Of Loss means written proof that a loss occurred:

- 1. For which the Group Policy provides benefits;
- 2. Which is not subject to any exclusions; and
- 3. Which meets all other conditions for benefits.

Proof Of Loss includes any other information we may reasonably require in support of a claim. Proof Of Loss must be in writing and must be provided at the expense of the claimant. No benefits will be provided until we receive Proof Of Loss satisfactory to us.

# D. Investigation Of Claim

We may have you examined at our expense at reasonable intervals. Any such examination will be conducted by specialists of our choice.

We may have an autopsy performed at our expense, except where prohibited by law.

# E. Time Of Payment

We will pay benefits within 30 days after Proof Of Loss is satisfied.

## F. Notice Of Decision On Claim

We will evaluate a claim for benefits promptly after we receive it. Within 90 days after we receive the claim we will send the claimant: (a) a written decision on the claim; or (b) a notice that we are extending the period to decide the claim for an additional 90 days.

If we extend the period to decide the claim, we will notify the claimant of the following: (a) the reasons for the extension; (b) when we expect to decide the claim; (c) an explanation of the standards on which entitlement to benefits is based; (d) the unresolved issues preventing a decision; and (e) any additional information we need to resolve those issues.

If we request additional information, the claimant will have 45 days to provide the information. If the claimant does not provide the requested information within 45 days, we may decide the claim based on the information we have received.

If we deny any part of the claim, we will send the claimant a written notice of denial containing:

- 1. The reasons for our decision.
- 2. Reference to the parts of the Group Policy on which our decision is based.
- 3. A description of any additional information needed to support the claim.
- 4. Information concerning the claimant's right to a review of our decision.

#### G. Review Procedure

If all or part of a claim is denied, the claimant may request a review. The claimant must request a review in writing within 60 days after receiving notice of the denial.

The claimant may send us written comments or other items to support the claim. The claimant may review and receive copies of any non-privileged information that is relevant to the request for review. There will be no charge for such copies. Our review will include any written comments or other items the claimant submits to support the claim.

We will review the claim promptly after we receive the request. Within 60 days after we receive the request for review we will send the claimant: (a) a written decision on review; or (b) a notice that we are extending the review period for 60 days.

If an extension is due to the claimant's failure to provide information necessary to decide the claim on review, the extended time period for review of the claim will not begin until the claimant provides the information or otherwise responds.

If we extend the review period, we will notify the claimant of the following: (a) the reasons for the extension; (b) when we expect to decide the claim on review; and (c) any additional information we need to decide the claim.

If we request additional information, the claimant will have 45 days to provide the information. If the claimant does not provide the requested information within 45 days, we may conclude our review of the claim based on the information we have received.

If we deny any part of the claim on review, the claimant will receive a written notice of denial containing:

- 1. The reasons for our decision.
- 2. Reference to the parts of the Group Policy on which our decision is based.
- 3. Information concerning the claimant's right to receive, free of charge, copies of non-privileged documents and records relevant to the claim.

# **ASSIGNMENT**

You may make an absolute assignment of all your Life Insurance, subject to 1 through 8 below.

- 1. All insurance under the Group Policy is assignable. Dependents Life Insurance is not assignable.
- 2. You may not make a collateral assignment.
- 3. The assignment must be absolute and irrevocable. It must transfer all rights, including:
  - a. The right to change the Beneficiary;
  - b. The right to buy an individual life insurance policy on your life under **Right To Convert**; and
  - c. The right to apply for and receive an Accelerated Benefit.
- 4. The assignment will apply to all of your Life Insurance in effect on the date of the assignment or becoming effective after that date.
- 5. The assignment may be to any person permitted by law.
- 6. The assignment will have no effect unless it is: made in writing, signed by you, and delivered to the Policyholder or Employer in your lifetime. Neither we, the Policyholder, nor the Employer are responsible for the validity, sufficiency or effect of the assignment.

- 7. All death benefits will be paid according to the beneficiary designation on file with the Policyholder or Employer, and the **Benefit Payment And Beneficiary Provisions**.
- 8. The assignment will not change the Beneficiary, unless the assignee later changes the Beneficiary. Any payment we make according to the beneficiary designation on file with the Policyholder or Employer, and the **Benefit Payment And Beneficiary Provisions** will fully discharge us to the extent of the payment.

You may not make an assignment which is contrary to the rules in 1 through 8 above.

#### BENEFIT PAYMENT AND BENEFICIARY PROVISIONS

# A. Payment Of Benefits

- 1. Except as provided in item 2 below, benefits payable because of your death will be paid to the Beneficiary you name. See B through E of this section.
- 2. The Repatriation Benefit will be paid to the person who incurs the transportation expenses.

# B. Naming A Beneficiary

Beneficiary means a person you name to receive death benefits. You may name one or more Beneficiaries.

If you name two or more Beneficiaries in a class:

- 1. Two or more surviving Beneficiaries will share equally, unless you provide for unequal shares.
- 2. If you provide for unequal shares in a class, and two or more Beneficiaries in that class survive, we will pay each surviving Beneficiary his or her designated share. Unless you provide otherwise, we will then pay the share(s) otherwise due to any deceased Beneficiary(ies) to the surviving Beneficiaries pro rata based on the relationship that the designated percentage or fractional share of each surviving Beneficiary bears to the total shares of all surviving Beneficiaries.
- 3. If only one Beneficiary in a class survives, we will pay the total death benefits to that Beneficiary.

You may name or change Beneficiaries at any time without the consent of a Beneficiary.

Two or more named surviving Beneficiaries will share equally, unless specified otherwise.

You must name or change Beneficiary in writing. Writing includes a form signed by you or a verification from the Policyholder or Employer of an electronic or telephonic designation made by you.

Your designation:

- 1. Must be dated;
- 2. Must be delivered to the Policyholder or Employer during your lifetime;
- 3. Must relate to the insurance provided under the Group Policy; and
- 4. Will take effect on the date it is delivered to the Policyholder or Employer.

If we approve it, a designation, which meets the requirements of a Prior Plan, will be accepted as your Beneficiary designation under the Group Policy.

#### C. Simultaneous Death Provision

If a Beneficiary or a person in one of the classes listed in item D. No Surviving Beneficiary dies on the same day you die, or within 15 days thereafter, benefits will be paid as if that Beneficiary or

person had died before you, unless Proof Of Loss with respect to your death is delivered to us before the date of the Beneficiary's death.

## D. No Surviving Beneficiary

If you do not name a Beneficiary, or if you are not survived by one, benefits will be paid in equal shares to the first surviving class of the classes below.

- 1. Your Spouse. (See **Definitions**)
- 2. Your children.
- 3. Your parents.
- 4. Your brothers and sisters.
- 5. Your estate.

#### E. Methods Of Payment

Recipient means a person who is entitled to benefits under this **Benefit Payment and Beneficiary Provisions** section.

We will pay the amount payable to a Recipient in a lump sum.

To the extent permitted by law, the amount payable to the Recipient will not be subject to any legal process or to the claims of any creditor or creditor's representative.

# **ALLOCATION OF AUTHORITY**

Except for those functions which the Group Policy specifically reserves to the Policyholder, we have full and exclusive authority to control and manage the Group Policy, to administer claims, and to interpret the Group Policy and resolve all questions arising in the administration, interpretation, and application of the Group Policy.

Our authority includes, but is not limited to:

- 1. The right to resolve all matters when a review has been requested;
- 2. The right to establish and enforce rules and procedures for the administration of the Group Policy and any claim under it;
- 3. The right to determine:
  - a. Eligibility for insurance;
  - b. Entitlement to benefits;
  - c. Amount of benefits payable;
  - d. Sufficiency and the amount of information we may reasonably require to determine a., b., or c., above.

Subject to the review procedures of the Group Policy any decision we make in the exercise of our authority is conclusive and binding.

# TIME LIMITS ON LEGAL ACTIONS

No action at law or in equity may be brought until 60 days after we have been given Proof Of Loss. No such action may be brought more than three years after the earlier of:

- 1. The date we receive Proof Of Loss; and
- 2. The time within which Proof Of Loss is required to be given.

#### **INCONTESTABILITY PROVISIONS**

# A. Incontestability Of Insurance

Any statement made to obtain or to increase insurance is a representation and not a warranty.

No misrepresentation will be used to reduce or deny a claim unless:

- 1. The insurance would not have been approved if we had known the truth; and
- 2. We have given you or any other person claiming benefits a copy of the signed written instrument which contains the misrepresentation.

We will not use a misrepresentation to reduce or deny a claim after the insured's insurance has been in effect for two years during the lifetime of the insured.

# B. Incontestability Of Group Policy

Any statement made by the Policyholder or Employer to obtain the Group Policy is a representation and not a warranty.

No misrepresentation by the Policyholder or Employer will be used to deny a claim or to deny the validity of the Group Policy unless:

- 1. The Group Policy would not have been issued if we had known the truth; and
- 2. We have given the Policyholder or Employer a copy of a written instrument signed by the Policyholder or Employer which contains the misrepresentation.

The validity of the Group Policy will not be contested after it has been in force for two years, except for nonpayment of premiums.

#### CLERICAL ERROR AND MISSTATEMENT

# A. Clerical Error

Clerical error by the Policyholder, your Employer, or their respective employees or representatives will not:

- 1. Cause a person to become insured;
- 2. Invalidate insurance under the Group Policy otherwise validly in force; or
- 3. Continue insurance under the Group Policy otherwise validly terminated.
- B. The Policyholder and your Employer act on their own behalf as your agent, and not as our agent.

#### C. Misstatement Of Age

If a person's age has been misstated, we will make an equitable adjustment of premiums, benefits, or both. The adjustment will be based on:

- 1. The amount of insurance based on the correct age; and
- 2. The difference between the premiums paid and the premiums which would have been paid if the age had been correctly stated.

#### TERMINATION OR AMENDMENT OF THE GROUP POLICY

The Group Policy may be terminated by us or the Policyholder according to its terms. It will terminate automatically for nonpayment of premium. The Policyholder may terminate the Group Policy in whole, and may terminate insurance for any class or group of Members, at any time by giving us written notice.

Benefits under the Group Policy are limited to its terms, including any valid amendment. No change or amendment will be valid unless it is approved in writing by one of our executive officers and given to the Policyholder for attachment to the Group Policy. If the terms of the Certificate differ from the Group Policy, the terms stated in the Group Policy will govern. The Policyholder, your Employer, and their respective employees or representatives have no right or authority to change or amend the Group Policy or to waive any of its terms or provisions without our signed written approval.

We may change the Group Policy in whole or in part when any change or clarification in law or governmental regulation affects our obligations under the Group Policy, or with the Policyholder's consent.

Any such change or amendment of the Group Policy may apply to current or future Members or to any separate classes or groups thereof.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

Contributory means you pay all or part of the premium for insurance.

Dependents Life Insurance means dependents life insurance, if any, under the Group Policy.

Eligibility Waiting Period means the period you must be a Member before you become eligible for insurance. See **Coverage Features**.

Evidence Of Insurability means an applicant must:

- 1. Complete and sign our medical history statement;
- 2. Sign our form authorizing us to obtain information about the applicant's health;
- 3. Undergo a physical examination, if required by us, which may include blood testing; and
- 4. Provide any additional information about the applicant's insurability that we may reasonably require.

Group Policy means the group life insurance policy issued by us to the Policyholder and identified by the Group Policy Number.

Life Insurance means life insurance under the Group Policy.

Prior Plan means your Employer's group life insurance plan in effect on the day before the effective date of your Employer's coverage under the Group Policy and which is replaced by the Group Policy.