



GKF NETWORKSS PROTECTION FUND

GKF Networks has a Financial Protection Fund in place. The GKF Financial Protection Fund has total yearly limits on payouts, currently at USD100,000.00

GKF FINANCIAL PROTECTION FUND

GKF Networks Financial protection is meant to cover any money lost for nonpayment of **specific** transactions related to movement of cargo between member of the network, within the terms of this financial protection.

GKF and ULN management directs and controls GKF's Financial Protection Fund.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- The financial protection program is a financial back up benefit designed to protect exclusively GKF Networks group enrolled members against financial losses.
- The financial protection covers up to USD10,000 per member per claim, per member, per year and USD5,000 when working cross network.
- After a claim has been submitted for a company, no second claim can be submitted for the same company within the same year.
- The financial protection program is not an automatic line of credit for members. It is not an approved or granted credit and it should not be used as pre-approved credit when working with other members.
- In order to minimize financial losses, all members should practice their own standards credit approval procedures for new accounts. All members should take the necessary steps and measures to minimize unnecessary exposure and risks of financial losses.
- Members must have an active membership at the time the shipment arrives to destination, and it has been fully completed.
- There are no exemptions to execute the financial protection and all members must follow the general information, terms and conditions in order for the financial protection program to be applied.

FINANCIAL TERMS

- Cost of goods is not cover under this plan for any reason.
- Commercial value of goods is not covered under this plan for/under any reason.
- All offices enrolled and active to GKF Network are protected under this plan.
- Members with no enrolled and non-accepted offices for GKF are not covered under this financial protection.
- Only offices listed under the GKF and ULN Directory are covered under this plan.
- Members must have an active membership at the time the shipment arrives to destination, and it has been fully completed 30 days from the date of departure or if transit time is longer than 30 days, membership for members must be active at the time the shipment arrives to destination and it has been fully completed.
- Claimants' membership will be under review or suspended due to multiple claims for negligence.

REMUNERATION AND LIMITS

1. The amount of remuneration is limited **up to USD\$10,000.00** per enrolled company for losses only when both companies are part of GKF Network.
2. The amount of remuneration is limited **up to USD\$10,000.00** per enrolled company for losses only when both companies are part of ULN Network.
3. The amount of remuneration is limited **up to USD\$5,000.00** per enrolled company for losses only when working cross network between ULN and GKF Network.
4. A claimant company is responsible to mitigate its damages in all cases. Not doing so, Failure will decrease or completely cancel remuneration from the financial protection fund. GKF Networks has the absolute right to start the process to collect the amount in question against any amount the claimant owes to the debtor company.
5. If part of other networks outside the GKF Networks group, GKF Networks will hold them accountable for up to their limit and will reduce remuneration from GKF financial protection.
6. If a member is part of other network and its cover under their financial fund, member is responsible to inform GKF and/or ULN of such coverage for this claim.
7. All claims must be submitted previously to GKF and/or ULN and go through the claim process and steps before reaching compensation.
8. Only members with an active GKF or ULN membership are covered under the GKF Networks financial plan.
9. For GKF and ULN members who also belong to other networks, GKF networks will only cover 50% of the claim once is processed. If part of a third network for both parties in question, GKF networks will only cover 33%of the claim, if claim is accepted, processed, approved, and granted.
10. Failure to disclose all information will result in claim cancelation and administrative actions against the claiming party and to the discretion of GKF networks board of directors could lead to the termination of membership.

CLAIM INSTRUCTIONS

1. Claims to GKF Networks Financial Plan ***must be submitted within 75 and 120 days of the date of pending invoice.*** GKF and/or ULN will not accept any claims outside the period mentioned above.
2. Make sure claim is emailed to accounting@gfknetwork.com with copy to admin@gfknetwork.com
3. If claimant is part of other networks, this information must be disclosed at the moment of submitting claim. Failure to disclose such information, will end on claim being rejected or nulled.
4. Collected payments received from the member in question during the claim, will be applied to such claim, starting with the oldest invoice.
5. GKF Financial Protection Fund, will start an investigation after receiving the claim and will determine how to proceed depending on the nature of the claim.
6. After reviewing submitted claim, GKF networks may terminate membership depending on the nature of the claim and if it goes against the guidelines and code of conduct of the Network.
7. GKF Networks has the right to determine if a dispute must take place involving the claim, parties involved will be notified by the Network.
8. If at any point of the investigation, false information is presented, the claim will be automatically closed without payment to any of the parties.
9. Claims procedures can take up to 40 days from submission of claim, this period will be used to investigate, mitigate, and finalized claim.

EXCEPTIONS

- Cargo and containers cost, loss, harm, vandalized won't be covered.
- Payment for charges not quoted or for quotations not approved in writing.
- Claims due to failing to send the right documentations such as permits of any kind, certificates of any kind, signed transportation document, releases, or/and demurrage, storage due to holds for late payment or as result of lacking proper handling, will not be covered under the financial protection fund, and will not be compensated.
- Fees or charges due to negligence or mishandling of shipment.
- Credit term on all invoices should be maximum of 30 days. Only Invoices with credit terms of 30 days or less are covered and protected under the financial protection fund benefit. If by any reason members offer credit terms over 30 days, such invoices are not protected under any reason or under any circumstances by the financial protection fund benefit and will not be compensated.
- If any member(s) has any invoice or have any amount pending of payment after the credit terms agreed and provided expired (maximum 30 days of credit term) such invoice or amount is considered to be on default of the credit terms agreed and therefore is considered to be on default payment status under this financial protection fund benefit. No additional credit for any amount of money should be offered or granted to any member who is already in default payment status.
- Any additional invoice(s) because of any additional service(s) provided to any member who by any amount of money is already in default payment status will not be covered by the financial protection fund benefit, will not be considered in a claim or as part of any claim and it is/are completely exempted of the financial protection fund benefit.
- Losses caused by the extension of credit for chartering fees or caused by the use of part or full charters.
- Payment protected by Errors and Omissions Insurance, or any other insurance coverage.
- Nonmembers, members clients
- Currency exchange variation
- Expropriation of cargo by any local authorities worldwide
- Any delay to make payments due to political, governmental issues, riot, civil war, rebellion or economic political matters.
- No documents written by hand will be consider as an element of proof, support or as back up of the claim. If any document written by hand is presented as part of the claim, it will not be accepted and will not be processed, and claim will not be covered under the financial protection
- Acts of God.
- Continuous losses between the same members pending a previous claim between them.
- Demurrage, storage, fines, detention charges, fines, duties, taxes.
- Illegal movements or poor knowledge of the law where importing or exporting goods.
- Attorney fees or services.
- Interest and late payment fees.
- Late invoiced shipments of more than 25 days after departure or arrival of cargo will be taken as negligence
- Deals between company sharing common owners and branches.
- Negotiations within members after being suspended or terminated.
- Claims involving a third party and resulting in fraud, invalid documentation, or anything that goes against the law.
- Shipments or movements to/from or through sanctioned countries.

FINANCIAL PROTECTION FUND CANCELLATION

GKF Networks reserves the right to cancel the financial protection fund to any member at any time if GKF Networks guidelines, code of conduct or financial protection fund are not followed.

I further understand that these terms and conditions are subject to updates, changes, and/or amendments.

Notification of any such changes will be done through our website.

I have read and understand the above terms and conditions and agree to abide by them.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

Company: _____