



RENTAL VEHICLE INSURANCE MEMORANDUM

Rental Vehicle Insurance

Travellers must ensure they have adequate insurance for rental vehicles. If the rental vehicle is to be operated by individuals other than the primary driver, all secondary drivers must be listed with the rental company at the time of the rental.

Third Party Liability

Vehicle rental companies in Canada provide third-party liability insurance (this insures for claims against the driver by another person or damages caused by driver to third party property) as part of the basic rental rate for the vehicle.

For vehicle rentals in the US, renters are encouraged to rent vehicles only through Enterprise or National as these vehicles carry some basic liability insurance coverage. If you are renting through other vehicle rental companies please ensure that the vehicles carry some basic liability insurance coverage as a primary layer.

Additional third-party liability insurance coverage is carried by the University for rental vehicles in Canada and the US to protect both the driver (while on University business) and the University, but it will apply only if there is some liability insurance in place through the vehicle rental company.

Collision Damage Waiver

Although vehicle rental companies do not provide full collision and comprehensive insurance as part of the basic rental rate, they do offer the renter the option of purchasing the Collision Damage Waiver (CDW) for an additional fee. This insures against physical damage to the rented vehicle. Purchasing from the vehicle rental company is the **most expensive** manner of obtaining this insurance, and travelers are encouraged to consider the options discussed below.

Collision Damage Waiver Coverage Options

University travellers have the following options for rental vehicle collision and comprehensive insurance coverage:

Option #1: UBC Rental Vehicle Policy

The first option for vehicle rentals is the University's Rental Vehicle Policy which is offered for a fee by Insurance & Loss Prevention. It applies to vehicle rentals anywhere in North America. This policy covers motor vehicles used for business purposes, but excludes exotic vehicles, campers, trailers and vehicles rented for delivery purposes or for carrying passengers in a bus with a seating capacity of sixteen or more.

The cost of the Rental Vehicle Policy is on a per vehicle, per day basis as indicated below, and there are collision and comprehensive deductibles. Renters should decline CDW coverage offered by the vehicle rental company if previous arrangements have been made with Insurance & Loss Prevention for the use of the University's Rental Vehicle Policy.

Coverage cost is \$5/vehicle/day, and the deductibles are \$300 (collision) and \$100 (comprehensive). The minimum premium transaction is \$20. For 50% or greater use on resource roads Coverage cost is \$10/vehicle/day, with minimum premium is \$20.



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Option #2: Use your personal credit card if it provides collision and comprehensive insurance coverage when used to book rental vehicles.

Option #3: Use of your UBC Corporate VISA Card, coverage is extended to named card holder being sole driver and renter of vehicle.