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  - 6.2.5 loss of business opportunity, goodwill or reputation,

where any of the losses set out in clause 6.2.1 to clause 6.2.5 are direct or indirect; or

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- 7.2 In the event of the Term being extended in accordance with clause 7.1, you must activate the Software for such extension by updating the software on the Dongle using your hardware and either an online synchronisation process or downloadable software which we will make available to you.
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- 7.3.2 you take any step or action in connection with your entering administration, provisional liquidation or any composition or arrangement with your creditors (other than in relation to a solvent restructuring), being wound up (whether voluntarily or by order of the court, unless for the purpose of a solvent restructuring), having a receiver appointed to any of your assets or ceasing to carry on business.
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8.1 Under data protection legislation, we are required to provide you with certain information about who we are, how we process the personal data of those individuals who use the Software and the Documents and for what purposes and those individuals' rights in relation to their personal data and how to exercise them. This information is provided in our privacy notice found at https://www.vfc.uk.com/privacy-notice, and it is important that you read that information.

### 9 Other important terms

9.1 Licence update. We may update the terms of this Licence at any time by giving you written notice. If you do not wish to accept the terms of the Licence as varied then you must give us or our authorised reseller or distributor written notice of this fact within 30 days of your receiving notice of the update. In such event, this Licence will terminate and we will reimburse you a pro rata amount reflecting the licence fee for the remainder of the current period which you have paid in advance. Otherwise, your lack of giving such notice and/or

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- 9.2 Assignment and other dealings.
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- 9.4 No waiver. If we fail to insist that you perform any of your obligations under this Licence, or if we do not enforce our rights against you, or if we delay in doing so, that will not mean that we have waived our rights against you and will not mean that you do not have to comply with those obligations. If we do waive a default by you, we will only do so in writing signed by us, and that will not mean that we will automatically waive any later default by you.
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# 9.6 Confidentiality

- 9.6.1 Each party undertakes that it shall not at any time during this Licence, and for a period of two years after termination of this Licence, disclose to any person any confidential information concerning the business, affairs, customers, clients or suppliers of the other party.
- 9.6.2 Each party may disclose the other party's confidential information:
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  - (b) as may be required by law, a court of competent jurisdiction or any governmental or regulatory authority.
- 9.6.3 No party shall use any other party's confidential information for any purpose other than to exercise its rights and perform its obligations under or in connection with this Licence.
- 9.7 *Variation*. No variation of this Licence shall be effective unless it is in writing and signed by the parties (or their authorised representatives).
- 9.8 Severance. If any provision or part-provision of this Licence is or becomes invalid, illegal or unenforceable, it shall be deemed modified to the minimum extent necessary to make it valid, legal and enforceable. If such modification is not possible, the relevant provision or part-provision shall be deemed deleted. Any modification to or deletion of a provision or part-provision under this clause shall not affect the validity and enforceability of the rest of this Licence.

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- 9.10 *Third party rights*. No one other than a party to this Licence and their permitted assignees shall have any right to enforce any of its terms.
- 9.11 Governing law and jurisdiction. This Licence, and any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with it or its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims), shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of England and Wales. Each party irrevocably agrees that the courts of England and Wales shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with this Licence or its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims).