

War Risk Insurance 2026

The threat landscape for commercial shipping continues to evolve, with targeted campaigns increasingly affecting vessels and maritime infrastructure. Areas of particular concern include the Black Sea, Red Sea, Indian Ocean, and Persian Gulf, where recent incidents have involved missiles, one-way UAVs, uncrewed surface crafts, and renewed mine activity. Some of these systems are inexpensive, widely available, and easy to deploy, giving attackers disproportionate reach and impact relative to their resources. Cyber events aimed at disrupting operations also remain a persistent risk. These threats are theatre-specific and often blend state and non-state involvement, complicating attribution and elevating risk.

Piracy has seen a notable resurgence, particularly in the Indian Ocean, with incidents reported well beyond traditional coastal hotspots. This shift reflects both opportunistic targeting and reduced naval deterrence in certain areas, requiring heightened vigilance and route-specific planning. The Club's Kidnap for Ransom & Hijack Insurance (K&R) product, which is an annual coverage with chargeable breach transits in certain high risk areas, is specially designed to fill the gap between traditional products. The cover is offered with different limits and provide cover for ransome payments, crisis consultants and other expenses.

The Swedish Club's war product remains responsive on a global basis, offering competitive terms, flexible solutions, and timely service. We maintain close dialogue with members and brokers to ensure cover reflects operational realities and adapts swiftly to geopolitical developments. The Club's standard war risks cover also extends to cyber-related war risks, specifically malicious cyber operations that enable or amplify physical threats, with such protection provided on a portfolio aggregate limit basis. This structure is designed to complement our standalone Cyber Marine product, and members are encouraged to combine both products to achieve a comprehensive and resilient risk solution.

Features for 2026

Conditions – All major international conditions for War Risks cover are acceptable.

Limit – The total sum insured for all interests not to exceed USD 300,000,000 each vessel.

P&I – Includes a separate limit for War Risks P&I up to the sum insured; however, a higher limit may be available upon application to The Association.

Blocking & Trapping – Total loss compensation after twelve months worldwide.

Detention Risks – Total loss compensation after twelve months worldwide.



Additional Expenses – Up to USD 25,000 per day are covered in excess of 7 days, but not recoverable following an agreed total loss or after 180 days has expired, whichever occurs sooner. These are unavoidable expenses following an insured peril.

Loss of Hire – Available upon application to The Association with Daily Sum Insured and limit to be agreed in advance. Includes cover for Blocking & Trapping, Visitation, Capture, and Temporary Detention, as per clauses 15-16 and 15-17 of The Nordic Marine Insurance Plan of 2013 (version 2023).

Non-Physical Loss of Hire – Piracy, DrugSeize and similar non-physical covers are available upon application to The Association.

Cyber Risks – All vessels entered with the Association for War risks for policy year 2026 will be covered for Cyber Risks in accordance with the Notice of Cancellation, Automatic Termination of Cover, War, Nuclear etc. and Computer Virus Exclusion Clause 2022-01-01 (W.1.4).

Trading Warranties – JW2005/001A, JW2022/007A and W1.4. See current List of Areas of Perceived Enhanced Risk 1 January 2026 as attached.

Sanctions Exclusion Clause – All vessels entered with the Association for War risks for policy year 2026 shall be subject to The Swedish Club Sanction Limitation and Exclusion Clause 2022-02-28 (W.10)

Yours faithfully,

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Enclosures

Enclosure 1: List of Areas of Perceived Enhanced Risk 1 January 2026

- “Listed Areas” as of 1 January 2026
- Navigational Limitations for Hull War, Strikes, Terrorism and Related Perils Endorsements (JW2005/001A)
- Hull War, Strikes, Terrorism and Related Perils Notice of Cancellation Administration Clause (JW2022/007A) (as and where applicable)

Enclosure 2: Club Clauses for War Risk Insurance 2026

- Notice of Cancellation, Automatic Termination of Cover, War, Nuclear etc. and Computer Virus Exclusion Clause W.1.4 2022-01-01
- Sanction Limitation and exclusion clause W.10 2022-02-28
- Coronavirus Exclusion Clause C.10 2020-04-09