

To our Clients and Friends,

A recent Executive Order issued by Governor Cuomo and the New York State Department of Financial Services, extends grace periods and gives other rights under certain property/casualty insurance policies for some small business or individuals who can demonstrate they cannot make a timely premium payment as a result of a financial hardship from the Coronavirus ("COVID-19") pandemic. These grace periods and rights are temporary and have several restrictions.

Eligibility

This is only available to a "small business" (A "small business" is resident in New York State, is independently owned and operated, and employs 100 or fewer individuals). Only certain types of commercial lines property/casualty insurance policies are covered by these amendments, generally including property, fire, commercial general liability, special multiperil, medical malpractice, workers' compensation, commercial auto, and commercial umbrella insurance. This DOES NOT apply to excess line commercial lines policyholders.

If you are an individual, generally, personal lines property/casualty insurance policies are covered by these amendments, including auto, homeowners' and renters' insurance.

Moratorium on Cancellation, Non-Renewal, and Conditional Renewal

If you are an affected policyholder, there is a moratorium on your insurer cancelling, non-renewing, or conditionally renewing your property/casualty insurance policy for a period of 60 days. If you do not make a timely premium payment and can demonstrate financial hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, your insurer may not impose any late fees relating to the premium payment, report you to a credit reporting agency or a debt collection agency regarding such premium payment.

Catching up on Overdue Insurance Payments

The regulations also require your insurer to permit you, as an affected policyholder, to pay the overdue premium over a 12month period if you did not make a timely premium payment due to financial hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and can still demonstrate financial hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. This also applies if the insurer sent you a nonpayment cancellation notice prior to March 29, 2020.

How to Demonstrate Financial Hardship

If you, as an affected policyholder, are unable to make a timely premium payment due to financial hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, you must submit to your insurer or premium finance agency, as applicable, a statement that you swear or affirm in writing under penalty of perjury that you are experiencing financial hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, which the insurer or premium finance agency, as applicable, shall accept as satisfactory proof. Such statement is not required to be notarized.

Who Do You Call?

Contact your Insurance Carrier directly for efficiency. Remember, this is not a reduction or forgiveness of premium, it is only a deferral in certain hardship situations. The phone number to your Insurance Carrier is listed below. In any event, you may always contact us.

Commercial Lines Billing Numbers National General: 877-468-3466 NYCM: 800-234-6926 Progressive: 800-876-5581

Travelers: 866-687-3597 Utica: 800-598-8422

Personal Lines Billing Numbers

A-Central: 800-234-6926 Adirondack: 877-468-3466 AIG: 866-856-6858 ASI/Progressive: 866-274-8765 Assurant Flood: 800-423-4403 Cabrillo US Coastal: 866-896-7233 Chubb: 800-682-4822 or 800-682-4822 Farmers: 800-597-2548 option 2 Narragansett Bay: 800-343-3375 National General Flood: 866-535-7417 National General: 877-468-3466 New York Central Mutual: 800-234-6926 NJ Skylands: 888-855-4622 Personal Umbrella: 800-564-1799 Plymouth Rock: 888-585-3549

Wishing everyone the best in these difficult times.

Sincerely, Mark D. Derrenberger President & CEO Insurance Services Foremost: 888-888-0080 Hagerty: 800-747-5348 Interboro: 877-369-0304 Kemper: 877-252-7878 Kingstone: 800-364-7045 Mapfre: 855-889-0400 Mercury: 800-503-3724 MetLife Auto & Home: 800-255-0332 Mountain Valley: 888-980-7647 Progressive: 877-776-2436 RLI: 800-962-7950 Safeco: 800-332-3226 Swyfft: 855-479-9338 Travelers (Boat): 800-952-8699 Travelers: 866-687-3597 UPC: 877-369-0304