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This Week at FSLSO

Are You Disaster Ready?

Florida's Insurance Consumer Advocate, Tasha Carter, unveiled a new disaster initiative, *Plan, Prepare, Protect: Are You Disaster Ready?*, that provides actionable steps to equip consumers for the impact of a storm. The Plan Prepare Protect portal gives consumers tips, statistics, pertinent updates, and other resources to help them successfully weather the storm.

The <u>Disaster Preparedness Resource Library</u> houses numerous resources for consumers, agents, and companies, including:







Assignment of Benefits

Disaster Preparation
Checklist

Disaster Recovery
Checklist

"As an advocate for consumers, one of my priorities is to ensure Floridians adequately plan, effectively prepare, and protect themselves before, during, and after a disaster. While still coping with the impact of COVID-19, consumers have had to prepare for very different types of disasters – tropical storms and hurricanes. I am committed to helping consumers learn how to mitigate damages in hopes that the impact will be lessened, and the recovery is as smooth as possible," said Insurance Consumer Advocate Tasha Carter.

View the "Plan Prepare Protect" website

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SLIP Tip: Looking for Lloyd's?

Lloyd's is listed in SLIP under its proper name: *Underwriters at Lloyd's, London*.

So, when you are filing your policies and transactions in SLIP, be sure to remember to scroll past the *L's* to the *U's*. Or you may find it by typing "Lloyd's" directly into the *Insurer* box.

System Maintenance This Weekend

We will be performing system maintenance from Saturday, August 1 at 6:00 PM EST to Sunday, August 2 at 6:00 PM EST.

SLIP, the Tax Estimator on FSLSO.com, the Tax Estimator mobile app, and the Tax Estimator web service will be unavailable during this maintenance period.

Thank you for your patience.





Question Corner:

How do I submit a layered policy in SLIP?

When submitting a layered policy, filers need to enter each layer under the insurer that wrote its particular layer of business. If the policy number is the same for each insurer, agents will use the same policy number for the entire risk but will need to break out the appropriate amount of premium allocated to each particular insurer.

If insurers have submitted different policy numbers for each layer of the policy, filers must submit each policy separately under the appropriate policy number. Remember to pay close attention to the policy number and file it exactly as it appears on the declarations page.

Headlines



Surplus Lines Premiums Up 10.3% in First Half

Surplus line premiums reported to the U.S. surplus lines stamping and service offices increased 10.3% in the first six months of this year compared with the year-earlier period, although the number of transactions decreased slightly, the Wholesale & Specialty Insurance Association said.

State-Run Citizens Insurance to Resume Dropping Policies on Aug. 15

Citizens Property Insurance Corp. customers who have been unable to make their homeowner insurance payments because of a COVID-19-related hardship will have to come up with a way to fulfill their obligations or face cancellation after Aug. 15, the company said in letters sent to agents and customers this month.

<u>Specialty Broker Offers Business Insurance Coverage for Pandemic,</u> Epidemic Risks

A Boston-based national wholesale insurance broker is offering what it says is "among the first and most accessible" insurance policies for commercial risks arising from pandemics and epidemics.

Number of Named Storms Increases in CSU 2020 Hurricane Season Forecasts

The 2020 Atlantic hurricane season is off to an active start with six tropical storms so far including Arthur, Bertha, Cristobal, Dolly, Edouard and Fay – and there are likely many more storms to come.

Have questions? Contact us at 800.562.4496, option 1 or email agent.services@fslso.com.