

INSTRUCTION

This document consists of 3 pages and 4 identical copies (consumer's copy, new insurer copy, existing insurer copy and agent's copy, just like a conventional disclosure form). You may fill out any copy by simply clicking on the field and start typing. The same information will appear on other copies simultaneously to eliminate re-typing. However, unlike a conventional disclosure form a client must sign each copy to validate the form. You may also print a blank form to be completed by hand later.

REPLACEMENT OF LIFE INSURANCE CONTRACTS (INCLUDING AN INSURER'S OWN)

(Excerpt from Financial Services Commission of Ontario bulletin No: LH- 1/99 life & Health)

Agents are reminded that a disclosure form must be completed when a life insurance contract is being replaced. Section 1 of O. Reg. 674, R.R.O. 1990, as amended by O. Reg. 761/94, states, in part, that a replacement of a contract of life insurance means a transaction whereby life insurance is purchased in a single contract or in several related contracts by a person from an insurer whereby one or more contracts of the insurance are:

- a) rescinded, lapsed or surrendered,
- b) changed to paid-up insurance or continued as extended term insurance or under automatic premium loan,
- c) changed in any manner so as to effect a reduction in benefits,
- d) changed so that cash values in excess of 50 per cent of the tabular cash value of the insurance
- e) subjected to borrowing of any policy loan values whether in a single loan or under a schedule of borrowing over a period of time whereby an amount in excess of 50 per cent of the tabular cash value is borrowed on one or more contracts of life insurance.

"An insurer", as outlined above, includes any insurer that is replacing the contract, **even if the contract being replaced is one issued by the insurer doing the replacing.**

Replacement does not include transactions where a contractual conversion privilege has been exercised, or where a contract is replaced by an annuity, or where a contract is replaced by group insurance.

The regulation sets out duties of the life agent as well as the duties of the insurer where replacement is intended. While the entire regulation is important, FSCO is drawing attention to the following Points:

- a) The agent must complete the disclosure form and leave it with the life insurance applicant prior to accepting an application for insurance.
- b) The agent must send the completed disclosure form to the insurer whose contract is to be replaced, **within three working days** of the date of receiving the application.
- c) The insurer, in receiving an application which discloses an intended replacement, must ensure that it receives a **duly completed** disclosure form with the application.
- d) An insurer is required to provide such information as is necessary to other insurers or agents to complete the disclosure form **as soon as is practicable.**

The applicant for the replacement of the life insurance contract may withdraw his/her application within 20 days of receipt of the disclosure form and is entitled to a refund. Insurers and agents should refer to the appropriate regulation that describes the terms and exceptions regarding such refunds.

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