NEW YORK CHANGES IN BUSINESS AUTO AND MOTOR CARRIER COVERAGE FORMS

For a covered "auto" licensed or principally garaged in New York, this endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

BUSINESS AUTO COVERAGE FORM
MOTOR CARRIER COVERAGE FORM

With respect to coverage provided by this endorsement, the provisions of the Coverage Form apply unless modified by the endorsement.

A. Changes In Covered Autos Liability Coverage

1. The third paragraph of A. Coverage is replaced by the following:

   We have the right and duty to defend any "insured" against a "suit" asking for such damages or a "covered pollution cost or expense", even if the allegations of the "suit" are groundless, false or fraudulent. However, we have no duty to defend any "insured" against a "suit" seeking damages for "bodily injury" or "property damage" or a "covered pollution cost or expense" to which this insurance does not apply. We may investigate and settle any claim or "suit" as we consider appropriate. Our duty to defend or settle ends when the Covered "Autos" Liability Coverage Limit of Insurance has been exhausted by payment of judgments or settlements.

2. Who Is An Insured does not include anyone loading or unloading a covered "auto" except you, your "employees", a lessee or borrower or any of their "employees".

3. Supplementary Payments is amended as follows:
   a. Paragraph (5) is replaced by the following:

   (5) All costs taxed against the "insured" in any "suit" against the "insured" we defend.

   b. The following paragraphs are added:

   (7) All expenses incurred by an "insured" for first aid to others at the time of an "accident".

   (8) The cost of appeal bonds.

4. Paragraph b. Out-of-state Coverage Extensions in the Business Auto and Motor Carrier Coverage Forms is replaced by the following:

   b. Out-of-state Coverage Extensions

   While a covered "auto" is used or operated in any other state or Canadian province, we will provide at least the minimum amount and kind of coverage which is required in such cases under the laws of such jurisdiction.

5. Exclusions is changed as follows:
   a. The Employee Indemnification And Employer's Liability Exclusion is replaced by the following:

   Employee Indemnification And Employer's Liability

   This insurance does not apply to:

   "Bodily injury" to an "employee" of the "insured" arising out of and in the course of:

   (1) Employment by the "insured"; or

   (2) Performing the duties related to the conduct of the "insured's" business.
But this exclusion does not apply to “bodily injury” to domestic “employees” not entitled to workers’ compensation benefits or to liability assumed by the “insured” under an “insured contract”. For the purposes of the Coverage Form, a domestic “employee” is a person engaged in household or domestic work performed principally in connection with a residence premises.

b. The Fellow Employee Exclusion is replaced by the following:

**Fellow Employee**

This insurance does not apply to:

“Bodily injury” to any fellow “employee” of the “insured” arising out of and in the course of the fellow “employee”’s employment or while performing duties related to the conduct of your business.

However, this exclusion only applies if the fellow “employee” is entitled to benefits under any of the following: workers’ compensation, unemployment compensation or disability benefits law, or any similar law.

c. The Handling Of Property Exclusion does not apply.

d. The Movement Of Property By Mechanical Device Exclusion does not apply.

e. The Operations Exclusion does not apply.

f. The Completed Operations Exclusion does not apply.

g. The Pollution Exclusion does not apply.

h. The War Exclusion is replaced by the following:

**War**

“Bodily injury” or “property damage” caused by war, whether or not declared, civil war, insurrection, rebellion or revolution, or any act or condition incident to any of the foregoing.

i. The Racing Exclusion does not apply.

j. The Unmanned Aircraft Exclusion does not apply.

k. The following exclusion is added:

**Spousal Liability**

“Bodily injury” to or “property damage” of the spouse of an “insured”. However, we will pay all sums an “insured” legally must pay if named as a third-party defendant in a legal action commenced by his or her spouse against another party.

6. If the Limit Of Insurance for Covered Autos Liability Coverage shown in the Declarations is equal to or greater than $160,000, the **Limit Of Insurance** provision is replaced by the following:

**Limit Of Insurance**

Limit Of Insurance applies except that we will apply the Limit Of Insurance for Covered Autos Liability Coverage shown in the Declarations to first provide the separate limits required by the New York Motor Vehicle Safety Responsibility Act for:

a. “Bodily injury” not resulting in death of any one person caused by any one “accident”;  
b. “Bodily injury” not resulting in death of two or more persons caused by any one “accident”;  
c. “Bodily injury” resulting in death of any one person caused by any one “accident”;  
d. “Bodily injury” resulting in death of two or more persons caused by any one “accident”; or  
e. “Property damage” in any one “accident”.

This provision will not change our total Limit Of Insurance.

7. If the Limit Of Insurance for Covered Autos Liability Coverage shown in the Declarations is less than $160,000, the **Limit Of Insurance** provision is replaced by the following:

**Limit Of Insurance**

Regardless of the number of covered “autos”, “insureds”, premiums paid, claims made or vehicles involved in the “accident”, the most we will pay for the total of all damages and “covered pollution cost or expense” combined, resulting from any one “accident”, is the Limit Of Insurance for Covered Autos Liability Coverage shown in the Declarations, except for those damages for “bodily injury” resulting in death. We will apply the Limit Of Insurance for Covered Autos Liability Coverage shown in the Declarations to first provide the separate limits required by the New York Motor Vehicle Safety Responsibility Act as follows:

a. “Bodily injury” not resulting in death of any one person caused by any one “accident”;  
b. “Bodily injury” not resulting in death of two or more persons caused by any one “accident”; or  
c. “Property damage” in any one “accident”.
This provision will not change our total Limit of Insurance.

All “bodily injury” and “property damage” resulting from continuous or repeated exposure to substantially the same conditions will be considered as resulting from one “accident”.

In addition, our Limit of Insurance for “bodily injury” resulting in death is as follows:

a. Up to $50,000 for “bodily injury” resulting in death of any one person caused by any one “accident”; and

b. Up to $100,000 for “bodily injury” resulting in death of two or more persons caused by any one “accident”, subject to a $50,000 maximum for any one person.

If the Limit Of Insurance for Covered Autos Liability Coverage shown in the Declarations is not exhausted by payment of damages for:

a. “Bodily injury” not resulting in death;

b. “Property damage”; or

c. “Covered pollution cost or expense”; any remaining amounts will be used to pay damages for “bodily injury” resulting in death, to the extent the Limit Of Insurance for Covered Autos Liability Coverage shown in the Declarations is not increased.

8. If forming part of the Policy, the Nuclear Energy Liability Exclusion Endorsement (Broad Form) does not apply to the Commercial Auto Coverage Part.

C. Changes In Physical Damage Coverage

1. The Owned Autos provision of Section I – Covered Autos is replaced by the following:

Owned Autos

a. If Symbols 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 or 19 are entered next to a coverage in Item Two of the Declarations, then you have coverage for “autos” that you acquire after the policy period begins of the type described for the remainder of the policy period.

b. But, if Symbol 7 is entered next to a coverage in Item Two of the Declarations, an “auto” you acquire after the policy period begins will be a covered “auto” for that coverage only if:

(1) We already cover all “autos” that you own for that coverage or it replaces an “auto” you previously owned that had that coverage; and

(2) You tell us within 30 days after you acquire it that you want us to cover it for that coverage.

c. Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraphs a. and b., during the term of the Coverage Part, Physical Damage Coverage for an additional or replacement private passenger “auto” shall not become effective until you notify us and request coverage for the “auto”.

However, if you replace a private passenger “auto” currently insured with us for a continuous period of at least 12 months, we will provide the same coverage which applied to the replaced “auto”, without a coverage request, for five calendar days beginning on the date you acquired the replacement “auto”. After five calendar days, coverage will not apply until you request coverage for the “auto”.

d. An “auto” that is leased or rented to you without a driver, under a written agreement for a continuous period of at least six months that requires you to provide primary insurance covering such “auto”, will be considered a covered “auto” you own.

B. Changes In Trailer Interchange Coverage

Paragraph A.2. of Section III – Trailer Interchange Coverage in the Motor Carrier Coverage Form is replaced by the following:

2. We have the right and duty to defend any “insured” against a “suit” asking for these damages, even if the allegations of the “suit” are groundless, false or fraudulent. However, we have no duty to defend any “insured” against a “suit” seeking damages for any “loss” to which this insurance does not apply. We may investigate and settle any claim or “suit” as we consider appropriate. Our duty to defend or settle ends when the Limit of Insurance for that coverage has been exhausted by payment of judgments or settlements.
2. The War Or Military Action Exclusion is replaced by the following:

### War Or Military Action

War, whether or not declared, civil war, insurrection, rebellion or revolution, or any act or condition incident to any of the foregoing.

3. **Deductible** is replaced by the following:

**Deductible**

For each covered “auto”, our obligation to pay for, return or replace damaged or stolen property will be reduced by the applicable deductible shown in the Declarations.

4. The following provisions are added to **Physical Damage Coverage** and apply in place of any conflicting policy provisions:

a. **Mandatory Inspection For Physical Damage Coverage**

   (1) We have the right to inspect any private passenger "auto", including a non-owned "auto", insured or intended to be insured under this Coverage Part before physical damage coverage shall become effective, except to the extent that this right is prescribed and limited by New York State Department of Financial Services’ Insurance Regulation No. 79 (11 NYCRR 67) or Section 3411 of the New York Insurance Law.

   (2) When an inspection is required by us, you must cooperate and make the "auto" available for the inspection.

b. **"Auto" Repairs Under Physical Damage Coverage**

   Payment of a physical damage "loss" shall not be conditioned upon the repair of the "auto". We may not require that repairs be made by a particular repair shop or concern.

c. **Recovery Of Stolen Or Abandoned "Autos"**

   If a private passenger "auto" insured under this Coverage Part for physical damage coverage is stolen or abandoned, we or our authorized representative shall, when notified of the location of the "auto", have the right to take custody of the "auto" for safekeeping.

D. **Changes In Conditions**

1. Paragraphs **a. and b.(2) of the Duties In The Event Of Accident, Claim, Suit Or Loss** Condition in the Business Auto and Motor Carrier Coverage Forms are replaced by the following:

   We have no duty to provide coverage under this Policy if the failure to comply with the following duties is prejudicial to us:

   **a.** In the event of "accident", claim, "suit" or "loss", you or someone on your behalf must give us or our authorized representative notice as soon as reasonably possible of the "accident" or "loss". Include:

   (1) How, when and where the "accident" or "loss" occurred;

   (2) The "insured's" name and address; and

   (3) To the extent possible, the names and addresses of any injured persons and witnesses.

   Written notice by or on behalf of the injured person or any other claimant to our authorized representative shall be deemed notice to us.

   **b.** Additionally, you and any other involved "insured" must:

   (2) Send us copies of any request, demand, order, notice, summons or legal paper received concerning the claim or "suit" as soon as reasonably possible.

2. The **Legal Action Against Us** Condition in the Business Auto and Motor Carrier Coverage Forms is replaced by the following:

### Legal Action Against Us

a. Except as provided in Paragraph **b.**, no one may bring a legal action against us until:

   (1) There has been full compliance with all of the terms of the Coverage Form; and

   (2) Under Covered Autos Liability Coverage, we, by written agreement with the "insured" and the claimant, agree that the "insured" has an obligation to pay or until the amount of that obligation has finally been determined by judgment after trial. No person or organization has any right under this Policy to bring us into any action to determine the “insured’s” liability.
b. With respect to "bodily injury" claims, if we deny coverage or do not admit liability because an "insured" or the injured person, someone acting for the injured person or other claimant fails to give us written notice as soon as practicable, then the injured person, someone acting for the injured person or other claimant may bring an action against us, provided the sole question is whether the denial of coverage or nonadmission of liability is based on the failure to provide timely notice.

However, the injured person, someone acting for the injured person or other claimant may not bring an action if within 60 days after we deny coverage or do not admit liability, we or an "insured":

(1) Brings an action to declare the rights of the parties under the Policy; and

(2) Names the injured person, someone acting for the injured person or other claimant as a party to the action.

3. Paragraph d. of the Other Insurance Condition in the Business Auto Coverage Form and Paragraph h. Other Insurance – Primary And Excess Insurance Provisions in the Motor Carrier Coverage Form are replaced by the following:

When this Coverage Form and any valid and collectible insurance under any other Coverage Form or policy covers on the same basis, either excess or primary, we will pay only our share. Our share is the proportion that the Limit of Insurance of our Coverage Form bears to the total of the limits of all the Coverage Forms and policies covering on the same basis.

4. The following provision is added and supersedes any provision to the contrary:

Failure to give notice to us as soon as practicable, as required under this Coverage Part, shall not invalidate any claim made by the "insured", injured person or any other claimant, unless the failure to provide such timely notice has prejudiced us. However, no claim made by the "insured", injured person or other claimant will be invalidated if it shall be shown not to have been reasonably possible to give such timely notice and that notice was given as soon as was reasonably possible thereafter.

5. The Loss Payment – Physical Damage Coverages Condition is replaced by the following:

Loss Payment – Physical Damage Coverages

At our option, we may:

a. Pay for or replace damaged or stolen property; or

b. Return the stolen or damaged property, at our expense. We will pay for any damage that results to the "auto" from the "loss".

If we pay for the "loss", our payment will include the applicable sales tax for the damaged or stolen property.

6. The Two Or More Coverage Forms Or Policies Issued By Us Condition in the Business Auto and Motor Carrier Coverage Forms is changed as follows:

This condition does not apply to liability coverage.

7. The Premium Audit Condition is amended by the addition of the following:

An audit to determine the final premium due or to be refunded will be completed within 180 days after the expiration date of the Policy or the anniversary date, if this is a continuous policy or a policy written for a term longer than one year. But the audit may be waived if:

a. The total annual premium attributable to the auditable exposure base is not reasonably expected to exceed $1,500; or

b. The Policy requires notification to the insurer with specific identification of any additional exposure units (e.g., autos) for which coverage is requested.

c. Except as provided in Paragraphs a. and b. above, the Examination Of Your Books And Records Condition continues to apply.
E. Changes In Definitions

The Definitions section in the Business Auto and Motor Carrier Coverage Forms is changed as follows:

1. The "covered pollution cost or expense" definition is replaced by the following:
   "Covered pollution cost or expense" means any cost or expense arising out of:
   a. Any request, demand, order or statutory or regulatory requirement; or
   b. Any claim or "suit" by or on behalf of a governmental authority demanding;
   that the "insured" or others test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize, or in any way respond to, or assess the effects of, "pollutants".

2. The "insured contract" definition is replaced by the following:
   "Insured contract" means:
   a. A lease of premises;
   b. A sidetrack agreement;
   c. An easement or license agreement in connection with vehicle or pedestrian private railroad crossings at grade;
   d. Any other easement agreement, except in connection with construction or demolition operations on or within 50 feet of a railroad;
   e. An indemnification of a municipality as required by ordinance, except in connection with work for a municipality;
   f. That part of any contract or agreement entered into, as part of your business, by you or any of your employees, pertaining to the rental or lease of any "auto";
   g. That part of any other contract or agreement pertaining to your business under which you assume the tort liability for injury or damage caused by the dumping, discharge or escape of:
      (1) Irritants, pollutants or contaminants that are, or that are contained in, any property that is:
         (a) Being moved from the place where such property or pollutants are accepted by the "insured" for movement into or onto the covered "auto";
         (b) Being transported or towed by the covered "auto";
         (c) Being moved from the covered "auto" to the place where such property or pollutants are finally delivered, disposed of or abandoned by the "insured";
         (d) Otherwise in the course of transit; or
         (e) Being stored, disposed of, treated or processed in or upon the covered "auto" other than fuels, lubricants, fluids, exhaust gases or other similar pollutants that are needed for, or result from, the normal electrical, hydraulic or mechanical functioning of the covered "auto" or its parts.
(2) Irritants, pollutants or contaminants not described in Paragraph (1) above unless:

(a) The pollutants or any property in which the pollutants are contained is upset, overturned or damaged as a result of the maintenance or use of the covered "auto"; and

(b) The discharge, dispersal, release or escape of the pollutants is caused directly by such upset, overturn or damage.

3. The "mobile equipment" definition is replaced by the following:

"Mobile equipment" means any of the following types of land vehicles, including any attached machinery or equipment:

a. Bulldozers, farm machinery, forklifts and other vehicles designed for use principally off public roads;

b. Vehicles maintained for use solely on or next to premises you own or rent;

c. Vehicles that travel on crawler treads;

d. Vehicles, whether self-propelled or not, maintained primarily to provide mobility to permanently mounted:
   (1) Power cranes, shovels, loaders, diggers or drills; or
   (2) Road construction or resurfacing equipment such as graders, scrapers or rollers.

e. Vehicles not described in Paragraph a., b., c. or d. above that are not self-propelled and are maintained primarily to provide mobility to permanently attached equipment of the following types:
   (1) Air compressors, pumps and generators, including spraying, welding, building cleaning, geophysical exploration, lighting and well-servicing equipment; or
   (2) Cherry pickers and similar devices used to raise or lower workers.

f. Vehicles not described in Paragraph a., b., c. or d. above maintained primarily for purposes other than the transportation of persons or cargo. However, self-propelled vehicles with the following types of permanently attached equipment are not "mobile equipment" but will be considered "autos":

(1) Equipment designed primarily for:
   (a) Snow removal;
   (b) Road maintenance, but not construction or resurfacing; or
   (c) Street cleaning;

(2) Cherry pickers and similar devices mounted on automobile or truck chassis and used to raise or lower workers; and

(3) Air compressors, pumps and generators, including spraying, welding, building cleaning, geophysical exploration, lighting or well-servicing equipment.

"Mobile equipment" does not include land vehicles that are subject to a compulsory or financial responsibility law or other motor vehicle insurance law where it is licensed or principally garaged. Land vehicles subject to a compulsory or financial responsibility law or other motor vehicle insurance law are considered "autos". However, the operation of:

a. Equipment described in Paragraphs f.(2) and f.(3) above; or

b. Machinery or equipment that is on, attached to, or part of, a land vehicle that would qualify under the definition of "mobile equipment" if it were not subject to a compulsory or financial responsibility law or other motor vehicle insurance law where it is licensed or principally garaged; is considered operation of "mobile equipment" and not operation of an "auto".

4. The "unmanned aircraft" definition does not apply.
F. Changes In Forms And Endorsements
   1. All references to Underinsured Motorists Coverage shall mean Supplementary Uninsured/Underinsured Motorists Coverage.
   2. If the Garagekeepers Coverage endorsement or the Garagekeepers Coverage – Customers’ Sound-receiving Equipment endorsement is attached, then:
      a. Paragraph B.2. is replaced by the following:
         2. We will have the right and duty to defend any “insured” against a “suit” asking for these damages, even if the allegations of the “suit” are groundless, false or fraudulent. However, we have no duty to defend any “insured” against a “suit” seeking damages for "loss" to which this insurance does not apply. We may investigate and settle any claim or "suit" as we consider appropriate. Our duty to defend or settle ends for a coverage when the Limit of Insurance for that coverage has been exhausted by payment of judgments or settlements.
      b. Exclusion 3. is replaced by the following:
         3. We will not pay for "loss" caused by war, whether or not declared, civil war, insurrection, rebellion or revolution, or any act or condition incident to any of the foregoing.
   3. If the Auto Medical Payments Coverage endorsement is attached, then Exclusion C.6. is replaced by the following:
      6. “Bodily injury” caused by war, whether or not declared, civil war, insurrection, rebellion or revolution, or any act or condition incident to any of the foregoing.
   4. If the Single Interest Automobile Physical Damage Insurance Policy is attached, the War Exclusion is replaced by the following:
      This insurance does not apply to "loss" caused by war, whether or not declared, civil war, insurrection, rebellion or revolution, or any act or condition incident to any of the foregoing.
   5. If the Stated Amount Insurance endorsement is attached, then Paragraph C.2. of that endorsement does not apply.
   6. If the Trailer Interchange Coverage endorsement is attached, then Paragraph A.2. is replaced by the following:
      2. We have the right and duty to defend any "insured" against a "suit" asking for these damages, even if the allegations of the "suit" are groundless, false or fraudulent. However, we have no duty to defend any "insured" against a "suit" seeking damages for any "loss" to which this insurance does not apply. We may investigate and settle any claim or "suit" as we consider appropriate. Our duty to defend or settle ends for a coverage when the Limit of Insurance for that coverage has been exhausted by payment of judgments or settlements.
   7. If the Motor Carrier Endorsement is attached, then Paragraph B.1.c. is replaced by the following:
      c. We have the right and duty to defend any "insured" against a "suit" asking for these damages, even if the allegations of the "suit" are groundless, false or fraudulent. However, we have no duty to defend any "insured" against a "suit" seeking damages for any "loss" to which this insurance does not apply. We may investigate and settle any claim or "suit" as we consider appropriate. Our duty to defend or settle ends for a coverage when the Limit of Insurance for that coverage has been exhausted by payment of judgments or settlements.