



To: All Automobile Statistical Plan Reporting Companies

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**REMINDER TO AUTOMOBILE INSURERS -- Revision to Newfoundland and Labrador Automobile Insurance Reform**

As reported on July 23, 2019, the General Insurance Statistical Agency (GISA) has deferred implementation of the Statistical Plan reporting requirements that were announced earlier in 2019 until January 1, 2021. This will give stakeholders additional time to assess and implement the changes.

This bulletin is to remind insurers of that deferral for the initial reporting requirements issued in GISA bulletin 2019-02 on June 19, 2019 with regard to the Newfoundland & Labrador (NL) amendments to accommodate the introduction of Direct Compensation Property Damage (DCPD) coverage. This was required as part of the spring 2019 Bill 3 reforms to the *Insurance Act*. The implementation of the data collection changes will now be effective January 1, 2021, although regulatory requirements for processing of policies and claims under the new regulations have not changed.

Bill 3 amendments are available at:

<https://www.assembly.nl.ca/HouseBusiness/Bills/ga48session4/bill1903.htm>

GISA as the statistical agent for Newfoundland & Labrador has requested its service provider, Insurance Bureau of Canada (IBC), make the following changes to the Automobile Statistical Plan (ASP) NL reporting requirements.

All applicable changes have been reflected in the most recent publications of the Automobile Statistical Plan (ASP) and Edit Rules Document (ERD). Insurers may access these updated documents from GISA’s website using the following link:

[https://www.gisa.ca/Publications\\_Bulletins](https://www.gisa.ca/Publications_Bulletins)

**1. New Coverages for Policy Effective Dates on or after January 1, 2021**

For transactions with Policy Effective Dates (not Endorsement Dates) on or after January 1, 2021, companies will be required to report in the ASP field positions listed below, new Third Party Liability (TPL) and DCPD coverage codes, premium and deductible amounts in dollars (\$). These codes and field positions are identical to the current Ontario, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island ASP requirements.

Coverage		Code	Field Positions		
			Premium Record		Claim Record
			Code	Amount (\$)	Code
TPL	Bodily Injury	10	494-495	496-501	302-304

	Excess Insurance	69				
	Property Damage	11	502-503	504-509		
DCPD	Standard Deductible	12	510-511	521-526		
	Non-standard Deductible	19				
	Rate Group Type	A-E, X	340-340			212-212
	Rate Group	01-99	341-342			213-214

Description	Code	Field Positions	
		Premium Record	Claim Record
Actual deductible amount (WHOLE DOLLARS)	value	514-520	317-323

**Deferral of statistical plan requirements will require insurers to report the combined Third Party Liability (TPL) premium consisting of the aggregate sub-coverages (i.e. Bodily Injury, Property Damage and Direct Compensation Property Damage) for the time being as per current statistical plan requirements.**

## **2. Retirement of Current TPL Coverage Reporting Requirements for Newfoundland & Labrador**

The introduction of the new NL TPL and DCPD coverage reporting requires that the following changes be made to the current ASP TPL requirements for transactions with Policy Effective Dates on or after January 1, 2021:

- Reporting of Bodily Injury and Property Damage Coverage Code '62' for Premium (Field Positions 477-478) or Claims will no longer be valid, and
- Excess Insurance Coverage Code '69' can no longer be reported on Premium records in Field Positions 477-478.

## **3. New Kind of Loss Codes for Accident Dates on or after January 1, 2021 for Newfoundland & Labrador**

For Claim transactions with Accident Dates on or after January 1, 2021 the reporting of the following new TPL and DCPD Kind of Loss codes are identical to those reported for Ontario, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island will be required.

Coverage		Kind of Loss	Code	Field Positions Claim Record
TPL	Bodily Injury and Excess Insurance	Outside Province by Passengers	03	299-301
		Outside Province by any other third party	04	
		Within Province by Passengers	05	
		Within Province by any other third party	06	
	Property Damage	To third party vehicle or contents or other property	15	
DCPD	Standard and Non-standard Deductibles	Total Loss to insured Vehicle	12	
		Damage to contents not owned by insured	14	
		Other property damage to insured vehicle	16	
		Property damage to contents owned by insured	17	
		Loss of Use	18	
		Damage to trailers	19	

**Deferral of statistical plan requirements will require insurers to report Direct Compensation Property Damage claims as Third Party Liability – Property Damage claims for the time being as per current statistical plan requirements.**

**4. Retirement of Current TPL Kind of Loss Codes for Newfoundland & Labrador**

The introduction of the new Kind of Loss codes for Newfoundland & Labrador requires that the following Claim Kind of Loss Codes for TPL Bodily Injury and Property Damage will no longer be valid for transactions with Accident Dates on or after January 1, 2021:

- Bodily Injury by passengers in the insured automobile (Kind of Loss code '01'),
- Bodily Injury by any other third party (Kind of Loss code '02'), and
- Property Damage (Kind of Loss code '09').

**5. Reporting of New Kind of Loss codes with Accident Dates prior to January 1, 2021 for Newfoundland and Labrador**

TPL or DCPD Claim transactions with Accident Dates on or after January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021, but with Policy Effective Dates prior to January 1, 2021 must be reported with:

- New TPL and DCPD Kinds of Loss codes, and
- TPL code that was reported on the Premium record.

**6. New Winter Tire Discount Indicator for Policy Effective Dates on or after January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021**

NL has also amended Subsection 60(1) of the Act to require that insurers offer a discount to policyholders for the use of winter tires. Insurers are required to provide a winter tire discount. Reporting of the discount to the Automobile Statistical Plan is mandatory for contracts issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2021, for all eligible private passenger automobile policies.

Pursuant to the above, companies are required to report the following data elements on both premium and loss transactions reported with policy effective dates on or after January 1, 2021. The reporting on the ASP records are identical to those currently reported for Ontario.

Field Name	Indicator Value	Code	Field Position Premium Record	Field Position Claim Record
Winter Tire Discount Indicator	The Risk is <b>written</b> with a Winter Tire Discount	Y	355	218
	The Risk is <b>not written</b> with a Winter Tire Discount	N		

Companies are also required to report the following data element on both premium and loss transactions reported with policy effective dates on or after January 1, 2021. The reporting of this field on the ASP records are not required for Ontario.

Field Name	Discount Applied	Field Position Premium Record	Field Position Claim Record
Winter Tire Discount	Indicate percentage of discount applied to overall policy with 1 implied decimal (e.g. 075 means 7.5%) when a discount has been indicated	356-358	219-221

**7. Advance Premiums**

The NL Automobile Insurance Reform ASP changes are scheduled to be implemented on November 1, 2020 to accommodate advance renewals for Policy Effective Dates on or after January 1, 2021.

**8. Documentation Updates**

The NL Automobile Insurance Reform updates to the ASP manual and Edit Rules Documentation were released on July 30, 2019.

If you have any questions related to these changes, please contact your Data Quality Analyst at IBC: 416-445-5912 or 800-761-6703.

**General Insurance Statistical Agency**