

MARKET BULLETIN

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Title	Antigua – Revised Insurance Levy handling procedures
Purpose	Underwriters, brokers and coverholders to note and action changes to the handling procedure for the Insurance Levy in relation to risks located in Antigua
Type	Event
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This bulletin advises the Market of the changes to the administrative procedures for handling the Insurance Levy in Antigua. The change is due to the Antiguan Inland Revenue requiring Lloyd's underwriters to centrally account for the Insurance Levy on all business placed at Lloyd's either on a direct basis or via a local intermediary.

The change impacts all Antiguan business incepting on or after 01 July 2012 presented to Xchanging on or after that date. Additional premiums and return premiums with an effective date on or after 01 July 2012 will also be subject to the change. Business incepting prior to 01 July 2012 remains unaffected.

Insurance Levy is payable by underwriters and applies to Antiguan insurance and re-insurance risks. The levy is calculated by reference to the premium paid by the insured excluding local intermediary's commission.

An Antiguan risk is defined as follows:

- long term insurance business, a policy issued or effected by Lloyd's on the life of a person resident in Antigua and Barbuda at the time the policy was issued or effected,
- property insurance business, a policy issued or effected by Lloyd's upon property situated in Antigua and Barbuda at the time the policy was issued or effected, and,

- any other class of insurance business, a policy issued or effected by Lloyd's where the risks covered by the policy are ordinarily situated in Antigua and Barbuda at the time the policy was issued or effected.

Please note that the registration of a vessel as Antiguan does not on its own make the risk an Antiguan risk.

For current rates of the levy and details on how the levy should be shown on documentation please refer to Crystal.

Xchanging will be checking that the charges have been correctly recorded on the Market reform contract and associated documentation.

The levy will be centrally administered via the central taxes system and settled by Lloyd's Tax Department. Managing agents will be advised of collections on their Central Accounting Advices under the cost category CHG, tab reference 434.

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