DISCLOSURE NOTICE
ML FORMS REVISION

Your renewal policy includes important coverage changes. Please review this important notice and retain it with your insurance policy.

This Disclosure Notice is not a contract of insurance. It is intended to provide information on an updated ML form series which is now in use by this company. The enclosed policy may not include all of the forms addressed by this Disclosure Notice. It is recommended that you review your policy carefully to determine your rights, duties and obligations. This information is intended to assist you in the review of your prior and current policy. If there are any conflicts between this Disclosure Notice and your policy, the provisions of the policy shall prevail.

The intent of the revision is to modernize and streamline these forms which serve the Homeowners and Manufactured Homeowner markets as well as incidental usage with other programs. The aim is to make the forms more comprehensible and user friendly and to conform them more closely to current times and conditions.

Important changes are featured in this forms series revision and some of those changes may broaden coverages while others may restrict coverage. We will attempt to highlight the major changes for your information.

All of the forms have updated language to utilize common terms such as Causes of Loss, Amounts of Insurance and We You, Us and Our language to replace Perils, Limits of Liability and Insured and Insurer language featured in prior editions. The terms Manufactured Homes have been substituted for the older Mobile Homes terminology throughout these revisions. Wherever possible, language has been streamlined for improved readability. Improvements in sentence structure, grammar and punctuation have been made throughout for that same purpose.

In form ML-20 (6/99), definition 2 under the caption General Policy Provisions has been clarified by the addition of the modifier Bodily as it pertains to the words Sickness and Disease. It may be construed as a restriction of coverage but it does better clarify the intended scope of coverage and precludes ambiguity.
Definition 3 has been shortened and some potentially contradictory information was deleted to preclude possible conflict with other ML forms.
Definition 8 has been broadened to include hearing aids.
Definition 9 has been broadened by exempting power lawn mowers and snow blowers from the exclusionary language.
Definition 12 has been clarified by stating that the insured must occupy one of the residence units as is stated in the rules pertaining to Homeowners policies.
Under Coverage A of the Principal Property Coverage section, exclusion 1 pertaining to antennas has been clarified by removing the word Outdoors and adding language concerning Their Control Apparatus. This has been done elsewhere.
Former item 2 under Coverage C-Personal Property pertaining to detachable building property has been deleted as it seems redundant.
Item 2 under Coverage C-Personal Property has been broadened by deleting the former reference to carpeting.
Item 1 under Coverage B Does Not Cover has been clarified by breaking it into two separate positive sentences. The former reference to Designed For has been replaced by a reference to In Whole or in Part and Private Garage has been modified by a reference to the term Non-commercial for improved readability.
Item 5. b. Limitations on Certain Property has been clarified and restricted by referencing the fact that the special limit also applies to research costs and stating that the medium that the records exist on has no bearing.
Item 5. d. has been broadened by deleting the former reference to gun equipment.
Item 5. f. broadens coverage by adding a provision for trailers, other than boat trailers, while on or away from premises.
Item 5. j. broadens coverage to include cell phones and similar equipment.
Item c. has been added to the policy under the sentence referencing Property Covered While on the Insured Premises. It broadens the policy by adding coverage for landlord's property.
The Coverage D title has been reworded to Additional Expense, the former reference to Living has been deleted.

Item 6 Tenant's Improvements and Betterments under Incidental Property Coverages has been clarified by removal of the
former reference to Decorations. This reflects no actual change as mere decorations were never covered as improvements or betterments and this action clarifies the scope of coverage.
Item 6 under the heading Exclusions That Apply To Property Coverage now specifically references Sinkhole Collapse and Volcanic Action.
Item 4. b. under What You Must Do In Case Of A Loss, has been modified by inclusion of terms requiring a mortgagee to file a proof of loss on request.
Item 2 under section 4. b. now includes a provision that each insured may be examined separately from other insureds.
Under Conditions Applicable To All Coverages, item 2. d. has been added to establish that refunds under $5.00 will be issued only on request.
Item 3 has been added to restrict coverage to the original cancellation date when a later payment tender is dishonored.
Item 6 has been broadened by deleting the prior reference to the policy being Void.
Item 11.a. 2. has been broadened by deleting the prior reference to Following Trial.

The causes of loss sections have undergone similar language changes and some additional changes have been made also. Where applicable, the Windstorm and Hail cause of loss has been streamlined by the removal of language concerning loss caused by frost, cold …. The language describes neither windstorm nor hail and seems redundant. The cause of loss has been restructured for improved readability.
The cause of loss relating to Riot and Civil Commotion has been streamlined to remove the prior reference to pillaging and looting. There is no change in the scope of the cause of loss; excess language has been deleted.
The vehicles cause of loss has been restated for clarity.
The Theft cause of loss has been modernized by deleting the former exclusion concerning the loss of a stone from its setting. This does not constitute a theft per se.
On Form ML-1 (formerly ML-1R), the cause of loss for Glass Breakage has been broadened by increasing the per plate limit to $100.00.
Sinkhole Collapse has been added as a cause of loss where applicable.
Volcanic Action has been added as a cause of loss where applicable.
On forms offering Replacement Cost Provisions, the form has been broadened by allowing carpets and well pumps to be eligible for replacement cost in some circumstances.
The Replacement Cost Provision has been reduced by requiring that the policyholder both opt for replacement cost coverage and carry a minimum of 80% of the cost to reconstruct the building.
On the more sophisticated cause of loss forms, similar changes have been made to eliminate redundancies and ambiguous language and to promote clearer language that is more comprehensible.

The remaining forms have undergone similar substantive and cosmetic changes to update the forms in light of current court decisions, to clarify and simplify language, to reduce redundancies and ambiguities and to promote more comprehensible, user friendly forms and endorsements.

This Disclosure Notice is intended to highlight and detail the typical changes that are present in the revised forms series. It should not be regarded as detailing every change nor is it an exhaustive listing, but, it does provide a view of the general range of series changes. If you have any questions as to these changes on the completion of your review, please contact your agent or this company for further information.