

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION REQUIRED BY MARYLAND LAW

A homeowners insurance policy is a legal contract. You should always read your policy because your policy controls what is and what is not covered. This notice provides certain information about typical provisions that MAY be part of your homeowner's policy you have purchased. **This notice is not your policy, does not give you any new or additional rights beyond those expressly stated in your policy, and does not alter your policy in any way.** Your producer (agent or broker) or insurance company may be in the best position to answer specific questions about your policy and your eligibility for coverage. You may also contact the Maryland Insurance Administration at [www.insurance.maryland.gov](http://www.insurance.maryland.gov), and 200 Saint Paul Place, Suite 2700, Baltimore, MD 21202. The Maryland Insurance Administration enforces the insurance laws of Maryland, and it can provide useful information such as: “The Consumer Guide to Homeowners Insurance” available at:

<http://insurance.maryland.gov/Consumer/Documents/publications/homeownersinsguide.pdf>

### THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT YOUR INSURANCE POLICY

Notice	Policy Reference
<b>Flood</b>	The standard homeowners insurance policy does not cover loss caused by flood. Speak to your producer or your insurance company about flood coverage. Visit the National Flood Insurance Program (“NFIP”) at <a href="http://www.floodsmart.gov">www.floodsmart.gov</a> or by phone 888-379-9531 to learn more.
<b>Coverage for Loss from Water that Backs up Through Sewers and Drains</b>	Insurance companies are required to offer you this coverage for your full policy limits. You may choose lower limits if available from your insurance company. Contact your producer or your insurance company for additional information and costs..
<b>Deductibles</b>	All policies include a deductible. The deductible is the amount you must pay on a covered loss. Some policies may include separate deductible for perils such as hurricanes, named storms, wind or hail. Contact you producer or your insurance company if you have questions about deductibles.
<b>Storm Loss Protective Device Discount</b>	You may receive a premium discount for your efforts to mitigate a loss or reduce the risk of loss from hurricanes or other storms. Examples of mitigation efforts are the installation of qualifying shutters, secondary water barriers, reinforced roof coverings; braced gable ends, tie downs and reinforced opening protections. For more details contact your producer or insurance company.
<b>Claims History</b>	In addition to any other allowable reasons, an insurance company may cancel or refuse to renew your policy based: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) on the number of non-weather related claims you have within the three years of your policy renewal; or</li> <li>2) on 3 or more weather related claims filed within the 3 years of your policy renewal; or</li> <li>3) on 1 or more weather related claim within 3 years of the policy renewal if the insurance company gave you</li> </ol>

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		written notice for reasonable and customary repairs or replacement to the dwelling that you failed to make and that the loss could have been prevented if the repairs were made..
	<b>Increased Hazard</b>	You may also be canceled or non-renewed if there is a change in the physical condition or contents of your premises or dwelling that increases a hazard and a chance of loss. This applies to a new 'binder' of coverage as well. This means that if your insurance company had known about the hazard, the insurance company would not have issued the policy.
	<b>Anti-Concurrent Causation</b>	<i>See Anti Concurrent Causation Notice</i> for details.
	<b>Summary of Coverage</b>	<i>See Summary of Coverage Notice</i> for details.
	<b>Optional Coverages</b>	<i>See Optional Coverage Notice</i> for details.

For further details or explanations of any of your policy coverages or exclusions or specific provisions, please contact your producer or your insurance company. If you need more information, visit the Maryland Insurance Administration website at [www.insurance.maryland.gov](http://www.insurance.maryland.gov)