Frankenmuth Insurance Announces Revisions to Michigan Homeowner and Dwelling Fire Program

Frankenmuth Insurance updates its policy forms to stay current in the market and to remain compliant with statutory requirements.

Effective Dec. 1, 2017, we are revising the Michigan Homeowner (HO-0121) and Dwelling Fire (DP-0121) – Special Provisions Endorsement. To keep our policyholders informed of these changes, we will be including a “Notice to Policyholders” (FM-1986) in each policy renewal.

Following is a summary of the key changes to guide you in your conversations with our mutual customers:

MI Home and Dwelling Fire Program
HO-0121/DP 0121, Special Provisions – Michigan:

- Loss Payment and Mortgage Clause provisions: If the municipality has elected to apply the provisions of MICH. COMP. LAWS § 500.3011, a part of the payment for fire or explosion to loss or damage to a covered property will be withheld if the named insured has failed to submit a required report to the fire or law enforcement authority designated by the municipality within 21 days of a written demand.
Reason for the change: These have been updated to comply with recent statute changes. This new law does not change the coverages provided, however, it does clarify the loss settlement.

- Cancellation provision: At least 30 days’ notice will be given to the policyholder before cancelling the policy.
Reason for the change: Provides better clarification of the cancellation policy.

MI HP
01528, Back Up of Sewer or Drains – Michigan:

- Form # 01528 – Back Up of Sewer or Drains: Revised waiting period from 15 days to five days.
Reason for the change: To better position us with the competition and provide our mutual policyholders with proper coverage.

- Manual Rule Page: Revised to show the five-day waiting period and to clarify when coverage can initially be added.
Reason for the change: Updated to sync up with form verbiage.

If you have any questions about the above revisions, please contact your personal lines underwriter.

Thanks for your continued support of Frankenmuth Insurance.