

"FAST TRACK" CLAIMS PROCEDURE

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The "Fast Track" claims procedure was developed by the BRMA Claims Committee to facilitate the processing and payment of most routine claim submissions. The basic principle of the procedure is pre-approval for payment based on receipt of basic data elements and reserve adequacy. A "Fast Track" claim submitted by a broker and approved by the markets will be paid immediately upon submission of proof of loss.

The "Fast Track" Claims procedure is being developed to provide the Broker channel with an effective method to process claim payment requests with maximum speed.

It is our perception that such a program will require the cooperative effort of all parties involved with the broker being crucial to the success or failure of the program. The broker will be the focal point in developing the claim information with the cedant and identifying the claim submission as appropriate for "Fast Track" claims processing.

All claims regardless of type or amount can be considered for "Fast Track" processing if they meet the following criteria:

DEFINITION

"Fast Track" claims are intended to be those identified by the cedant or broker and accepted by the reinsurer as being timely reported, sufficiently documented and reserved to allow for immediate approval for payment, subject to contractual terms, upon receipt of the billing by the reinsurer provided the payment request is within the established reserve.

DOCUMENTATION

1. A sufficiently documented claim would provide current information to determine insurance and reinsurance coverage, liability (casualty claims) and damages to enable a reinsurer to confirm overall exposure.
2. The data elements to be included in the electronic claims message provide the claim information customarily required by line of business. A summary of the critical elements is attached for review.

FAST TRACK CLAIMS DATA ELEMENTS

Casualty First Notice

Broker I.D.

1. Ceding Company
2. Claim Number (ceding company)
3. Policy Number
4. Policy Period
5. Policy Limits - applicable aggregate
6. Policy Type
7. Underlying Limit, S.I.R., Deductible
8. Primary Carrier
9. Inuring Reinsurance
10. Name of Insured
11. Location of Loss /W.C. State Location
12. a. Date of Loss b. Claim Made Date
13. Description of Loss/ for W.C. - within course and scope of employment?
14. Claimant(s) Information/Injuries
15. Damages /for W.C. - provide average weekly wage & comp rate
16. Reserve - Breakdown by Claimant/ for W.C. Justify indemnity & medical reserve with total or partial estimates
 - a. Loss
 - b. Expense
17. Paid to Date
 - a. Loss
 - b. Expense
18. Subrogation/Salvage Potential
19. Any coverage issue - if yes - explain
20. Disposition Strategy

Interim Report/Interim Billing Casualty

1. Reserve Change + or - / Significant Development
2. Reasons for Change
3. Current Paid
4. Disposition Strategy

Closing Report/Final Billing Casualty

1. Disposition Details
2. Amounts Paid
 - a. Loss
 - b. Expense
3. Amount previously paid
4. Amount due ceding company
5. Comments - subrogation - file closing

FAST TRACK CLAIMS DATA ELEMENTS

Property First Notice

Broker I.D.

1. Ceding Company
2. Claim Number (ceding company)
3. Policy Number
4. Policy Period
5. Policy Limits
6. Policy Type
7. Underlying Limit, S.I.R., Deductible
8. Inuring Reinsurance
9. Name of Insured
10. Risk Location
11. Location of Loss
12. Date of Loss
13. Date Reported to Cedant
14. Cat I.D.
15. Description of Loss - Including Major Peril
16. Comments - Subrogation/ Salvage
17. Reserve
 - a. Loss
 - b. Expense
18. Paid to Date
 - a. Loss
 - b. Expense
19. Disposition Strategy

Interim Report/Interim Billing Property

1. Reserve Change + or - / Significant Development
2. Current Paid
3. Reason for Change
4. Disposition Strategy - Attach Adjuster's Report

Closing Report Property

1. Disposition Details
2. Amounts Paid
 - a. Loss
 - b. Expense
3. Less Amount Previously Paid
4. Amount due Ceding Company
5. Comments on Subrogation/ Salvage

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