

Participating insurers

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The following is a list of Participating Insurers for the 2024/25 Indemnity Period.

Most Participating Insurers prefer to be contacted by broker only, this has been reflected in the list. If you are seeking cover please check the Participating Insurers entry in the list before contacting them directly.

If you have any queries, please <u>contact us [https://higherrights.sra.org.uk/contact-us]</u>.

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[via Broker]

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A
Standard & Poors AAAs of 11 September 2024

Aegis Managing Agency Limited

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors AA-A M Best A As of 11 September 2024

AIG Europe SA

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+ As of 13 September 2024

Alchemy Underwriting Limited on behalf of Bridgehaven Speciality UK Limited

[via Broker]

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A-



As of 12 September 2024

Allianz Global Corporate & Specialty SE

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Website: www.allianz.com [https://www.allianz.com]

Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors AA As of 25 September 2023

American International Group UK Limited

[via Broker]

58 Fenchurch Street, London, EC3M 4AB

Website: www.aig.co.uk [https://www.aig.co.uk]

Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+ As of 13 September 2024

AmTrust Speciality Limited

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Financial rating



Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A-As of 23 September 2024

Arch Managing Agency Limited - Lloyd's Syndicate Arch Syndicate 1955 Lloyd's Insurance Company SA ASL 5339

[via broker only]

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A+ S&P Global AA-As of 1 March 2025

Aspen Syndicate 4711

[via Broker]

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A+ Standard & Poors AA-As of 13 September 2024



Asta Europe SRL trading as Mosaic Europe

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+

As of 08 September 2023

Asta Managing Agency Limited

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A+

Fitch AA-

Standard & Poors AA-Kroll AA-

KIUII AA-

As of 26 September 2024

Aviva Insurance Limited

[via Broker]

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Website: www.aviva.co.uk [https://www.aviva.co.uk]

Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors AA-As of 21 September 2023

AXA XL - Lloyds Underwriter Syndicate No. 2003 AXL

[via Broker]

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A+ Standard & Poors AA-As of 11 September 2024

AXA XL - XL Insurance Company SE

[via Broker]

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Website: www.axaxl.com [https://www.axaxl.com]

Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A+ Standard & Poors AA-As of 11 September 2024

AXA XL Insurance Company UK Limited

[via Broker]

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A+ Standard & Poors AA-As of 11 September 2024

Axis Managing Agency Ltd - Lloyds Syndicate 1686

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A+
Standard & Poors AAFitch AA-

As of 09 September 2024



Axis Speciality Europe SE

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+
A M Best A
As of 09 September 2024

Beazley Furlonge

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A As of 28 September 2023

Berkshire Hathaway Specialty Insurance

[via Broker]

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A++ As of 18 September 2024

Blenheim Underwriting Limited

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

AM Best A+
Fitch Ratings AAKroll Bond Rating Agency AAS&P Global AA-

As of 1 October 2024

Canopius Managing Agents Limited - Lloyds Syndicate 4444

[via Broker]

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A
Standard & Poors A+
As of 11 September 2024

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[via Broker]

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors AA
A M Best A++
As of 13 September 2024

CNA Hardy - Hardy Syndicate 382

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A



Standard & Poors A+ As of 12 September 2024

Everest Insurance (Ireland) DAC

[via Broker]

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+ As of 12 September 2024

Everest Syndicate 2786

[via Broker]

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A+ As of 12 September 2024

Fortegra Insurance UK Limited

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A-As of 1 February 2025

NBS Underwriting on behalf of Accelerant Insurance Europe SA

[via Broker]

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A-As of 31 August 2023

Hamilton Managing Agency Limited - HIDAC

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A-

As of 05 September 2023

Hamilton Managing Agency Limited - Syndicate 4000

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A-

As of 05 September 2023

HDI Global Speciality SE

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+

A M Best A+

As of 11 September 2024



Inperio (London) Limited (on behalf of Accredited Insurance (Europe) Limited)

[via Broker]

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A-

As of 20 September 2023

Liberty Mutual Insurance Europe SE (UK Branch)

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A As of 20 September 2024

Liberty Specialty Markets

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A As of 20 September 2024

Lloyds Insurance Company SA MOS 5399

[via Broker]

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+ As of 08 September 2023

Mosaic Syndicate 1609

[via Broker]

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A+

As of 09 September 2024

Mosaic Syndicate Services Limited

[via Broker]

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+ As of 08 September 2023

Pen Underwriting Limited on behalf of International General Insurance Company (UK) Ltd

[via Broker]

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A
Standard & Poors AAs of 07 September 2023



Probitas Managing Agency Limited

[via Broker]

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Website: www.probitas1492.com [https://www.probitas1492.com]

Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Fitch AA-

As of 17 September 2024

QBE Europe SA/NV

[via Broker]

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+ Fitch A+

As of 25 September 2024

QBE UK Limited

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30 Fenchurch Street, London, EC3M 3BD

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+ A M Best A Fitch A+

As of 25 September 2024

QBE Underwriting Limited for Syndicate 1886

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+
A M Best A
Fitch A+

As of 25 September 2024

QBE Underwriting Limited for Syndicate 5334

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+
A M Best A
Fitch A+

As of 25 September 2024

QBE Underwriting Limited for Syndicate 5386

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+
A M Best A
Fitch A+

As of 25 September 2024

QBE Underwriting Limited for Syndicate 5555

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30 Fenchurch Street, London, EC3M 3BD

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Financial rating



Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+ A M Best A Fitch A+

As of 25 September 2024

QBE Underwriting Limited for Syndicate 386

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+ A M Best A Fitch A+

As of 25 September 2024

Sompo international t/a Endurance Worldwide Insurance Ltd

2 Minster Court, Mincing Lane, London, EC3R 7BB

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+ As of 09 September 2024



Starr Companies - CVS 1919

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Website: www.starrcompanies.co.uk [https://www.starrcompanies.co.uk]

Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A+ Standard & Poors AA As of 13 September 2024

Starr Companies - Starr Europe Insurance Limited

[via Broker]

4th Floor, 30 Fenchurch Avenue, London, EC3M 5AD

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Website: www.starrcompanies.co.uk [https://www.starrcompanies.co.uk]

Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A

As of 13 September 2024

Starr Companies - Starr International (Europe) Ltd

[via Broker]

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Website: www.starrcompanies.co.uk [https://www.starrcompanies.co.uk]

Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A

As of 13 September 2024

Travelers Insurance Company Limited

One Creechurch Place, Creechurch Lane, London, EC3A 5AF

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Website: www.travelers.co.uk/industry-solutions/legal-sector-insurance

[https://www.travelers.co.uk/industry-solutions/legal-sector-insurance]

Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors AA As of 16 September 2024

Travelers Insurance Designated Activity Company

One Creechurch Place, Creechurch Lane, London, EC3A 5AF

Contact name: James Kerr

Email: <u>irkerr@travelers.com</u> [<u>mailto:jrkerr@travelers.com</u>]

Website: <u>www.travelers.co.uk/industry-solutions/legal-sector-insurance</u>

[https://www.travelers.co.uk/industry-solutions/legal-sector-insurance]

Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating



Standard & Poors AA As of 16 September 2024

W R B Underwriting

[via Broker]

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+
Fitch AAA M Best A+

As of 13 September 2024

Zurich insurance Company Ltd (UK Branch)

[via Broker]

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors AA A M Best A+

As of 24 September 2024



This is a historical list of companies which signed the Participating Insurer's Agreement 2023

AIG Europe SA

[via Broker]

Website: www.aig.co.uk [https://www.aig.co.uk]

Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+ As of 29 September 2022

AM Trust Europe Limited

[via Broker]

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Website: www.amtrustinternational.com/

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A-As of 03 October 2022

AXA XL - AXA XL Insurance Company SE

[via Broker]

20 Gracechurch Street London EC3V 0BG

Contact name: Stuart Essex

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Website: www.axaxl.com [https://www.axaxl.com]

Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A+ Standard & Poors AA-As of 01 September 2022

AXA XL - AXA XL Insurance Company UK Limited

[via Broker]

20 Gracechurch Street London EC3V 0BG

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A+ Standard & Poors AA-As of 01 September 2022

AXIS Specialty Europe SE

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+
A M Best A
As of 09 September 2022

Aegis Managing Agency Limited



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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+ As of 18 August 2022

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors AA Moodys Aa3 A M Best A+

As of 29 September 2022

American International Group UK Limited

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+



As of 29 September 2022

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+ A M Best A As of 23 August 2022

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+ As of 02 September 2022

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A
Fitch AAStandard & Poors A+
As of 31 July 2023

Aviva Insurance Limited

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors AA-As of 16 September 2022

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A

As of 03 October 2022

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A

As of 03 October 2022

Berkshire Hathaway Specialty Insurance

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best AA+
Standard & Poors AA+
As of 23 September 2022



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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A
Standard & Poors A+
As of 16 February 2023

Canopius Managing Agents Limited

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A
Standard & Poors A+
As of 24 August 2022

Everest Syndicate 2786

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A+

As of 21 September 2022

Great Lakes Insurance SE UK Branch (Existing Policyholders Only)

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best AA As of 18 October 2022

HDI Global Specialty SE

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Financial rating



Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+
A M Best A
As of 08 September 2022

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A-

As of 06 September 2022

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A-

As of 06 September 2022

Inperio (London) Limited on behalf of Accredited Insurance (Europe) Limited



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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A

As of 12 September 2022

Legal and Professional Insurance trading name of Liberty Mutual Insurance Europe SE (UK Branch)

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

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Financial rating

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Standard & Poors A As of 08 September 2022

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+ As of 02 September 2022

Mosaic Syndicate 1609

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating



Standard & Poors A+ As of 02 September 2022

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+ As of 02 September 2022

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A
Standard & Poors AAs of 12 September 2022

Pen Underwriting Limited on behalf of International General Insurance Company (UK) Ltd

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A
Standard & Poors AAs of 09 September 2022

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+ As of 13 September 2022

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+ A M Best A Fitch A+

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+
A M Best A
Fitch A+
Moodys A1

As of 09 September 2022

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Financial rating



Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+
A M Best A
Fitch A+
Moodys A1

As of 09 September 2022

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+
A M Best A
Fitch A+
Moodys A1

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating



Standard & Poors A+
A M Best A
Fitch A+
Moodys A1

As of 09 September 2022

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+
A M Best A
Fitch A+
Moodys A1

As of 09 September 2022

Sompo international t/a Endurance Worldwide Insurance Ltd

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+ As of 17 September 2022

Starr Companies - Starr Europe Insurance Limited

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A

As of 15 September 2022

Starr Companies - Starr International (Europe) Limited

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A

As of 23 September 2022

Starr Companies - Starr Managing Agents Limited CVS 1919

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

A M Best A
Standard & Poors A+
As of 15 September 2022

Travelers Insurance Company Limited

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors AA As of 06 September 2022

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors AA As of 06 September 2022

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors A+
Fitch AAA M Best A
As of 17 August 2022

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Financial rating

Rating agency Credit rating/Insurer strength rating

Standard & Poors AA A M Best A+



As of 10 October 2022

Client Protection

Related information

Insurer's agreements

<u>Participating Insurers Agreement 2024 (PDF 29 pages, 838K) [https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/contentassets/898f6ee3377e41399c25622b6e67cdf0/participating-insurers-agreement-2024-25.pdf?version=4a78c5]</u>

<u>Participating Insurers Agreement 2023 (PDF 30 pages, 246K) [https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/globalassets/documents/rules/participating-insurers-agreement-2023-24.pdf?version=4a7000]</u>

<u>Participating Insurers Agreement 2022 (PDF 30 pages, 246K) [https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/globalassets/documents/rules/participating-insurers-agreement-2022-23.pdf]</u>

Participating Insurers Agreement 2021 (PDF 30 pages, 366K) [https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/globalassets/documents/rules/participating-insurers-agreement-2021.pdf] — in effect **from 1 October 2021**

<u>Participating Insurers Agreement 2020 (PDF 30 pages, 353K) [https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/globalassets/documents/rules/sar/participating-insurers-agreement-2020.pdf?version=4ad646]</u>

<u>Participating Insurers Agreement 2019 (with 2013 Rules) (PDF 64 pages, 605K) [https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/globalassets/documents/rules/sar/participating-insurers-agreement-2019-with-2013-rules.pdf?version=4ad654]</u>— in effect **from 1 October 2019**

<u>Participating insurer's agreement 2018 (PDF 64 pages, 623KB)</u> [https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/globalassets/documents/rules/participating-insurers-agreement-2018.pdf] — in effect **from 1 October 2018**

Participating insurer's agreement 2017 (PDF 62 pages, 1MB) [https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/globalassets/documents/rules/participating-insurers-agreement-2017.pdf] — in effect **from 1 October 2017**

<u>Participating insurer's agreement 2016 (PDF 64 pages, 883K) [https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/globalassets/documents/rules/participating-insurers-agreement-2016.pdf]</u> – in effect **from 1 October 2016**

<u>Participating insurer's agreement 2015 (PDF 63 pages, 748K) [https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/globalassets/documents/rules/participating-insurers-agreement-2015.pdf]</u> – in effect **from 1 October 2015**

<u>Participating insurer's agreement 2014 (PDF 61 pages, 707K) [https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/globalassets/documents/rules/participating-insurers-agreement-2014-april-2015.pdf]</u> – in effect **from 1 April 2015**



<u>Participating insurer's agreement 2014 (PDF 60 pages, 720K) [https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/globalassets/documents/rules/participating-insurers-agreement-2014.pdf]</u> – in effect **from 1 October 2014 to 21 March 2015**

<u>Participating insurer's agreement 2013 (PDF 60 pages, 876K) [https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/globalassets/documents/rules/participating-insurers-agreement-2013.pdf]</u> – in effect **from 1 October 2013 to 30 September 2014**

Appendix 1

What does it mean to be a Participating Insurer?

All insurers who are an "authorised insurer" to conduct business in the UK can become a participating insurer provided they sign a Participating Insurer's Agreement under which they agree to offer policies which meet set Minimum Terms and Conditions. The Financial Conduct Authority regulates authorised insurers.

Section 37 of the Solicitors Act 1974 allows the SRA to make indemnity rules which require solicitors or any specified class of solicitors to take out and maintain insurance with "authorised insurers".

In the Solicitors Act, "authorised insurer" means:

(a) a person who has permission under Part IV of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 to effect or carry out contracts of insurance of a relevant class;

An FCA-authorised insurance company

(b) a person who carries on an insurance market activity, within the meaning of section 316(3) of that Act;

A Lloyd's syndicate

(c) an EEA Firm of the kind mentioned in paragraph 5(d) of Schedule 3 to that Act, which has permission under paragraph 15 of that Schedule (as a result of qualifying for authorisation under paragraph 12 of that Schedule) to effect or carry out contracts of insurance of a relevant class; or

An insurance company authorised by the relevant regulator in another member state of the European Economic Area (ie, the European Union plus Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein), which is exercising its passporting rights under EU insurance directives to carry on insurance business in the UK

(d) a person who does not fall within paragraph (a), (b) or (c) and who may lawfully effect or carry out contracts of insurance of a relevant class in a member state other than the United Kingdom.

An insurance company exercising passporting rights under the Treaty of Rome to carry on business in the UK (unusual).

The term "relevant class" has the meaning set out in section 87(1B) of the Solicitors Act. This definition must be read with section 22 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and any relevant order under that section and Schedule 2 to that Act.

Appendix 2

European Economic Area (EEA) Qualifying Insurers

<u>European Economic Area (EEA) Qualifying Insurers(PDF 2 Pages, 10K)</u>
<u>[https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/globalassets/documents/solicitors/handbook/EEA-insurers.pdf]</u> – in effect **from 1 October 2013**

<u>European Economic Area (EEA) Qualifying Insurers(PDF 2 Pages, 41K)</u>
[https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/globalassets/documents/solicitors/handbook/eea-insurers-participating.pdf] – in effect **from 1 October 2012**

The Solicitors Regulation Authority does not regulate, vet or approve insurers. In order to be eligible to be a Participating Insurer an insurer must be an "authorised insurer" as defined by section 87(1A) of the Solicitors Act 1974. "Authorised insurers" are regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority. (For more information, see Appendix 1: What does it mean to be a Participating Insurer? [#appendix-1] for information about "EEA insurers".)