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Mandatory Use of NIPR for Company Adjusters

The Insurance Division is committed to enhancing efficiencies in insurance licensing through the use of electronic licensing. Effective July 20, 2011 <u>all</u> adjuster applicants, including residents and nonresidents, can now use the National Insurance Producer Registry ("NIPR") at <u>www.nipr.com</u> to apply for a claim adjuster license. This change is due to the fact that applicants whose resident state does not require them to hold a license in order to adjust insurance claims can now "designate a home state" in which they hold an active license in order to utilize the electronic application process.

A nonresident adjuster who designates a home state only apply for a non-resident Rhode Island adjuster license on the basis of the designated home state through NIPR. Nonresidents will be licensed based on the examination taken in their designated home state. Rhode Island resident adjusters and those that choose to designate Rhode Island as their home state upon initial licensure must submit proof of successful completion of the Rhode Island examination and a criminal background check.

To apply online visit, www.nipron

- Choose Not resident Adjuster OR Resident Adjuster
- Initial License
- Choose a state currently licensed with that state's license # OR enter your SS# and a list of designated states will automatically come up for you to choose from.

The Department strongly encourages all adjuster applicants to utilize electronic processing. The Department will continue to accept hard copy applications from public and independent adjusters that choose not to elect this option. However, <u>as of March 1</u>, <u>2012</u> all adjusters employed by insurance companies must utilize the electronic processing of adjuster applications through NIPR. Hard copy applications from insurance companies received after March 1, 2012 will be returned with instructions to apply online.

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