

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from the second and third sentences and, except as it related to renewal, the first sentence of former Art. 48A, § 188(4).

Defined term: "Commissioner" § 1-101

3-314. ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFICATION.

THE COMMISSIONER SHALL ISSUE A CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFICATION TO EACH APPLICANT WHO MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language added to state expressly that which only was implied in the former law, i.e., the Commissioner shall issue a certificate to each applicant who meets the requirements for a certificate of qualification.

Defined term: "Commissioner" § 1-101

3-315. SCOPE OF CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFICATION.

A QUALIFIED SURPLUS LINES BROKER MAY:

(1) ACCEPT AND PLACE SURPLUS LINES INSURANCE BUSINESS FROM AN AGENT OR BROKER WITH A CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFICATION IN THE STATE FOR THE KIND OF INSURANCE INVOLVED; AND

(2) COMPENSATE THE AGENT OR BROKER FOR THE SURPLUS LINES INSURANCE BUSINESS.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 48A, § 189.

Defined terms: "Insurance" § 1-101

"Qualified surplus lines broker" § 3-301

"Surplus lines insurance" § 1-101

3-316. TERM AND RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFICATION.

(A) TERM OF CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFICATION.

UNLESS A CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFICATION IS RENEWED FOR A 2-YEAR TERM AS PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, THE CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFICATION EXPIRES ON THE FIRST JUNE 30 THAT COMES AFTER ITS EFFECTIVE DATE AND IN AN ODD-NUMBERED YEAR.

(B) RENEWAL NOTICE.

AT LEAST 1 MONTH BEFORE A CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFICATION EXPIRES, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL MAIL TO THE HOLDER OF THE CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFICATION, AT THE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS OF THE HOLDER:

(1) A RENEWAL APPLICATION FORM; AND

(2) A NOTICE THAT STATES: