

## 10-301.1.

(a) A vendor or builder may deposit trust moneys in:

- (1) A noninterest bearing checking account;
- (2) One or more savings accounts; or
- (3) Any combination of accounts in any bank or savings and loan association authorized by federal or State law to do business in the State.

(b) Trust moneys in the hands of the vendor or builder may be invested in any other investment vehicle specified by the client or beneficial owner or as they and the licensee may agree.

## 10-302.

(a) The bond shall be payable to the State for the use and benefit of every person protected by the provisions of this subtitle. The vendor or purchaser shall deposit the bond with the [Insurance Administration] DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING, AND REGULATION.

(b) The corporate surety bond obtained pursuant to the provisions of § 10-301(a) shall be in a form approved by the [Insurance Administration] DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING, AND REGULATION. The bond may be either in the form of an individual bond for each deposit accepted by a vendor or builder or if the total amount of money and deposits accepted by the builder or vendor exceeds \$10,000, it may be in the form of a blanket bond assuring the return of the deposits received by the vendor or builder.

(c) If the bond is a blanket bond, the penalty of the bond shall be in accordance with the following schedule:

Total Amount of Deposits Held	Penalty of Bond
(1) \$10,000 to \$75,000	Full amount of deposit held
(2) \$75,000 to \$200,000	\$75,000
(3) \$200,000 to \$500,000	\$200,000
(4) Over \$500,000	\$500,000

(d) For the purpose of determining the penalty of any blanket bond which the vendor or builder maintains in any calendar year, the total amount of deposits considered held by a vendor or builder shall be determined as of May 31 of any given calendar year and the penalty of the bond shall be in accordance with the amount of deposits held as of May 31.

## 10-303.

(a) An irrevocable letter of credit obtained under § 10-301 of this subtitle shall be:

- (1) Payable to the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation for the use and benefit of every person protected by the provisions of this subtitle; and