

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION INSURANCE  
DIVISION**

**DUPLICATE CERTIFICATES OF AUTHORITY**

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Prior to April 1, 1988, Rhode Island issued limited term Certificates of Authority to foreign insurance companies authorized to do business in this state; those Certificates were renewable each April 1. Since April 1, 1988, Rhode Island has issued continuous Certificates of Authority, which continue in effect for as long as the company continues to pay its annual renewal fees, or until this Division replaces or revokes the Certificate.

Until July 1, 2001, changes of a company's name, city or state of domicile, and/or added lines of authorized business were effected on the original Certificate itself in the form of an amendment. Effective July 1, 2001, changes to a company's Certificate of Authority and replacements of lost Certificates of Authority have been accomplished by issuing a Replacement Certificate of Authority.

If an original continuous Certificate of Authority issued on or after April 1, 1988 has been lost, please write directly to this Division to request a Replacement Certificate, including an Affidavit of Lost Certificate attesting to the loss of the original Certificate, attesting that the company conducted a diligent search for the missing Certificate without success, and agreeing to return or destroy the original if it is subsequently located.

Upon receipt of the above material, we will replace the company's Certificate of Authority. Appropriate fees will be billed on a retaliatory basis upon completion of the process.

Occasionally, a Certificate of Good Standing will meet the requirements of certain circumstances. In that situation, rather than requesting a replacement Certificate of Authority, write directly to this Division to request a Certificate of Good Standing. Appropriate fees will be billed on a retaliatory basis upon completion of the process.

**Companies with questions regarding the replacement of a Rhode Island Certificate of Authority or  
Certificate of Good Standing should contact the department by phone directly to  
Jack Kearney at (401) 462-9626 or Julie Savoie at (401) 462-9566,  
by email at [DBR.CompanyLicensing@dbr.ri.gov](mailto:DBR.CompanyLicensing@dbr.ri.gov), or by fax at (401) 462-9602.**