

# MARKET BULLETIN

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<b>Title</b>	Additional Securities Limited (ASL) - 2015 Collection & Distribution
<b>Purpose</b>	To notify Managing Agents of the forthcoming 2015 ASL deposit collection and distribution exercise due to take place on 27 April 2015
<b>Type</b>	Scheduled
<b>From</b>	Gurdip Sappal Treasury & Investment Management
<b>Date</b>	1 April 2015
<b>Related Items</b>	Market Bulletin Y4877

Syndicate accountants will receive individual statements via central accounting detailing their collection requirements for 2015 and distribution of 2014 loans.

## 2015 Collection

As in previous years, it is proposed that collections will only be made for countries with material deposits. The April collection is expected to consist of the Australian statutory deposit and the deposits for Bahamas, Brazil, Grenada, Hong Kong, Namibia, St Vincent's and Trinidad & Tobago.

The collection and distribution exercise will take place on the 27 April 2015.

The 2015 collection will differ from previous years as syndicates will be debited in local currency (where possible or US Dollars for the Caribbean territories) or alternatively via the Currency Conversion Service (CCS). Please see market bulletin Y4877 for more details.

## Hong Kong

The Hong Kong deposit is required to be funded in April and in line with last year will continue to be collected as part of the main collection and distribution exercise.

## Switzerland

Switzerland will continue to be funded on a quarterly basis with the Q1 collection due to take place on the 27 April 2015. The Q4 2014 deposit was pushed back and adjusted on the 27 February 2015 instead of the usual end of January adjustment.

## Deferral of Cayman Islands & Singapore adjustments

The adjustments to the Cayman Islands, Singapore and Lloyd's Asia deposits will take place on the 29 July 2015.

### **Basis of apportionment**

For those countries where collections are made, each syndicate's deposit requirement will be collected from the appropriate year of account which has given rise to the local funding requirement based on the 2014 calendar year signed premium data from XIS.

The collections for Switzerland and Hong Kong are also partially based on outstanding claims as per the local regulatory funding requirements.

### **Adjustment per Syndicate**

The actual amount due to be collected in respect of the 2015 loans will be in local currency as described in **market bulletin Y4877**. The return will consist of the 2014 deposit principal, plus income earned to 31 December 2014 and foreign exchange gains/losses to 31 March 2015 in GBP. Accordingly, a sterling settlement to syndicates PTFs will be processed via central accounting, in addition to a local currency collection both on Monday 27 April 2015.

Interest for the period 1 January to 27 April 2015 and foreign exchange gains/losses for the period 1 April to 27 April 2015 will be distributed later in the year.

### **ASL Investment and Hedging Policy**

Where permitted by local insurance regulations and achievable within local financial markets, ASL's assets are invested in high quality money market securities of up to 12 months to maturity. However, regulations in certain jurisdictions such as Switzerland and Australia may require some assets to be invested in longer-term debt instruments which mean the capital value of these assets is affected by movements in local interest rates. A quarterly update of investment returns and terms of ASL loans is available on <http://www.lloyds.com/the-market/operating-at-lloyds/treasury/tables/additional-securities>

For deposits directly funded by syndicates, ASL ceased foreign exchange hedging activities in June 2001 and Agents are reminded of this each year prior to the ASL funding exercise. As a result the sterling value of syndicates' assets invested with ASL will fluctuate in line with the local currency of the investment.

Agents may conclude that hedging is appropriate to their particular circumstances and are free to arrange appropriate hedging activities on behalf of such syndicates. Lloyd's Treasury & Investment Management, [treasuryoperations@lloyds.com](mailto:treasuryoperations@lloyds.com), may be able to assist in such hedging arrangements if required.

### **ASL Insurance**

Following approval from the Franchise Board, Council and the LMA Board, ASL no longer insures any of the ASL regulatory deposits effective from the 1 January 2012.

### **Syndicate Statements**

Individual syndicate statements will be sent to Managing Agents via central accounting on 16 April 2015. Statements for Cayman Islands, Lloyd's Asia and Singapore will be issued nearer the respective adjustments.

Any queries related to these figures should be directed to either Gurdip Sappal on +44 (0)20 7327 5762 or Mat Stone on +44 (0)1634 392 202, or by sending an email to [gurdip.sappal@lloyds.com](mailto:gurdip.sappal@lloyds.com). Queries should be raised no later than 5pm on Monday 20 April 2015.