International Complaints Handling at Lloyd's: Switzerland

Definition of a complaint	Any oral or written expression of dissatisfaction, whether justified or not, from, or on behalf of, a person about the provision of, or failure to provide, a financial service, which: (1) alleges that the complainant has suffered (or may suffer) financial loss, material distress or material inconvenience and (2) relates to an activity of that respondent, or of any other respondent with whom that respondent has some connection in marketing or providing financial services or products, which comes under the jurisdiction of the Financial Ombudsman Service in the UK.

Definition of a complainant	 The applicable definition of 'eligible complainant' is contained in the FCA Handbook. It is important that managing agents refer to that definition but in summary, 'eligible complainants' are: A consumer A micro-enterprise which employs fewer than 10 persons and has a turnover or annual balance sheet that does not exceed €2 million A charity which has an annual income of less than £6.5 million at the time the complaint is made A trustee of a trust which has a net asset value of less than £5 million at the time the complaint is made A person acting for purposes which are outside that person's trade, business or profession A small business which is not a micro-enterprise and has and has an annual turnover of less than £6.5 million and employs fewer than 50 persons; or has a balance sheet total of less than £5 million

Application of Lloyd's procedure and local complaint	All insurance policies written on a freedom of services or establishment basis.
regulations	There are no local complaint regulations for insurers.

Timescale	A final response to be provided within 8 weeks of receipt of the complaint.
EDR scheme and eligibility	Head office and office for German speakers: Ombudsman of Private Insurance Postfach 1063
	8024 Zurich Switzerland

	
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Local Regulatory Reporting Requirements	None
Lloyd's Complaint Notice	A new complaints notice for Switzerland LSW1886B has been produced. It is available on the Lloyd's Wording Repository and is referenced in the Pre-contractual notification and Insurance documents sections of Crystal.