

NSW State Emergency Services Levy

A new levy was introduced at the NSW Government Mini-Budget to fund the NSW State Emergency Service (SES) through the existing statutory contributions framework. The new provisions are to be supported by back office reforms across the SES, the NSW Rural Fire Service and NSW Fire Brigades.

The proposed SES levy will be treated in the same manner as the current fire service levy (FSL) so the provisions relating to GST and Stamp Duty will remain the same.

These provisions will enable the invoicing and furnishing of returns by the insurance companies to be centralised at Emergency Management NSW. Insurers will need to furnish only one return and only one invoice will be raised by the emergency services, which will cover the contributions required for all the agencies mentioned above.

The NSW Government intends to amend Section 80 of the NSW Fire Brigades Act 1989, which prescribes disclosure of fire levies to policyholders. This is anticipated to be promulgated in late June 2009.

This levy is applicable to invoices with an effective date 1 July 2009 and after.

Sunrise Exchange:

Most Insurers products and documentation currently use the terminology "Fire Services Levy". Insurers have been advised to update their Sunrise products and the associated policy documentation to use more generic terminology such as Fire & Emergency Services Levy (F&ESL) or simply Levy.

Sunrise Templates will be automatically updated with any changes the insurers make and will therefore not require any maintenance.

CBS:

The NSW SES Levy is relevant to any property insured in NSW regardless of the location of the Intermediary who is invoicing the premium.

Intermediaries should check the NSW Fire Services and SES rates with their insurers.

The NSW SES Levy will be added to the Fire Services Levy component of the premium. This will require CBS users who use CBS to auto-calculate the Levies, to update their Fire Service Levy Rate for NSW via the Global System Parameters and Levies Table Maintenance.

Global System Parameters:

| Insurer Codes for the collection of Levies | | | | | | | |
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| State | FSL Code | FSL Rate | FBD Code | FBD Rate | S/D Code | S/D Rate | S/D Rate |
| ACT | FSL ACT | | PCWH NSW | | STD ACT | 10.0000 | |
| NSW | FSL NSW | 31.0000 | PCWH NSW | | STD NSW | 11.5000 | |
| NT | FSL NT | | PCWH NSW | | STD NT | 8.0000 | |
| QLD | FSL QLD | | PCWH NSW | | STD QLD | 8.5000 | |
| SA C | FSL SAC | 23.0000 | PCWH NSW | | STD SA | 11.0000 | |
| SA M | FSL SAM | 48.0000 | PCWH NSW | | STD SA | 11.0000 | |
| TAS | FSL TAS | 28.0000 | PCWH NSW | | STD TAS | 8.0000 | |
| VIC C | FSL VIC | 19.0000 | PCWH NSW | | STD VIC | 10.0000 | |
| VIC M | FSL VIM | 40.0000 | PCWH NSW | | STD VIC | 10.0000 | |
| WA C | FSL WAC | | PCWH NSW | | STD WA | 8.0000 | |
| WA M | FSL WAM | 32.0000 | PCWH NSW | | STD WA | 8.0000 | |

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| RSA100/g | | Levies Table Maintenance | Date : 26.05.09 |
| Table 20 | Description HOUSEHOLDERS | Effective Date 01.07.09 | |
| Var | State | FSL Rate | S/D Rate |
| Y | NSW | 19.0000 | 11.5000 |
| Y | ACT | 25.0000 | 10.0000 |
| Y | QLD | | 8.5000 |
| Y | TAS | | 8.0000 |
| Y | VIC C | 20.0000 | 10.0000 |
| Y | VIC M | 18.0000 | 10.0000 |
| Y | SA M | | 11.0000 |
| Y | SA C | | 11.0000 |
| Y | WA M | 18.0000 | 8.0000 |
| Y | WA C | 18.0000 | 8.0000 |
| Y | NT | | 8.0000 F |
| Please advise/amend Levies table and hit 'RETURN' or select : | | | |
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CBS caters for effective date driven tables and all levies tables will need to be amended/added with an effective date of 01.07.09 where FSL is currently charged for NSW risks.

Note: The rates above are an example only; please enter your own correct rates accordingly.

If you insure property in NSW you may wish to change the Screen Heading and Printed Documents to **F&ES Levy** or a label you may consider appropriate via the Premium Heading Maintenance, normally located within your masterfile maintenance menus.

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| RSA001/I | | Premium Headings Maintenance | Date : 26.05.09 |
| Data Description : | Printed Documents : | Screen Headings Gst Flag | |
| Premium Line - Inc Fee | Premium Inc Broker Fee___ | Coy Premium | Y |
| Premium Line - NO Fee | Premium | Coy Premium | |
| Fire Services Levy | F&ES Levy | F&ESL | Y |
| Stamp Duty | Stamp Duty | Stamp Duty | N |
| U/W Charges (No Brok) | UW Charges | UW Charges | Y |
| Client Disc - Brok Disc | TPB Commission | TPB Commission | Y |
| Broker fee | Broker Fee | Broker Fee | Y |
| GST | GST | GST | N |
| Fee Invoice - Net Due | Net Due | Fee Amount | Y |
| Total Due - Debit | TOTAL DUE | Total | |
| Total Due - Credit | TOTAL CREDIT | Total Credit | |
| Brokerage - Ins Conf | Brokerage | Brokerage | Y |
| Brok CEQ - Ins Conf | N/A | N/A | |
| GST on Brok - Ins Conf | GST on Brokerage | Brokerage GST | N |
| Non Res Tax - Ins Conf | Non Res Tax | Non Res Tax | N |
| Please advise/amend Reference details and hit 'RETURN' or select : | | | |
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| Premium | 2,534.87 |
| F&ES Levy | 988.60 |
| Stamp Duty | 445.72 |
| Subscription | 25.00 |
| Broker Fee | 31.84 |
| Broker Trans Fee | 15.00 |
| TPB Commission | 383.98 |
| Special Fee | 38.02 |
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| SubTotal Excl. GST | 3,695.07 |
| GST Total | 324.93 |

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| Total Amount \$ | 4,319.12 |
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This will automatically update your invoice Forms, it should therefore be noted, that where the new Emergency Service Levy has not been applied e.g. for Risks domiciled outside NSW, the heading will still be displayed as F&ES Levy.

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*** Where ES relates to State Emergency Services (Applicable NSW Only)**

It may be appropriate to add a footnote to your invoice to this effect.

e.g. * Where ES relates to State Emergency Services (Applicable in NSW only).

Overseas Placements

In respect of Overseas Placements where the risk is domiciled in NSW, the State Emergency Services Levy will be included in the FSL Insurer Settlement/Return as a single amount.

If you require any further assistance with implementation please contact your local support consultant.

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