Fraud Red Flag Desk Reference



This guide contains a listing, although not exhaustive, of categorized indicators of potential fraud. Although categorized, any and/or all may be identified in various stages of the case file. Instinct and good judgment should be exercised when identifying a red flag as one single incident may not be an indicator of fraud. All cases of suspected fraud involving producers, applications, underwriting, STOLI/IOLI, or claims must be reported to Compliance by completing and submitting the Request for Compliance Review (RFCR) form. Please reference the applicable fraud code(s). All internal incidences of suspected fraud should be reported to Athene SafeCall at 1-855-339-2821.

Code

100 PRODUCER

- 101 Producer involved in transaction with no vested interest (not an insured, beneficiary, or applicant)
- 102 Producer paying with cash
- 103 Applicant and/or insured appear to be fictitious
- 104 Forgery by producer
- 105 Misleading or deceptive advertising
- 106 Payment made by producer where producer is not the owner or insured
- Payment by producer and use of multiple accounts
- 108 Impersonation of a contract owner or other party by the producer
- 109 Producer and the contract owner have the same mailing address/telephone number and are not a close family member
- 110 Producer listed on Power of Attorney documents of a contract owner and is not a close family member
- 111 Application appears to be altered
- Application was sent for e-signature delivery; however, the electronic mail address and/or IP address is not registered to the city/state in which the owner resides

200 NEW BUSINESS/POLICYHOLDER SERVICES

- 201 Application signed by someone other than the applicant or without the applicant being present
- 202 Applied for coverage just below the medical limits
- 203 Avoids telephone, e-mail, or postal mail; limited to no contact
- 204 Coverage is beyond apparent means (financial difficulty, level of income, mode of living, etc.)
- 205 Coverage with multiple carriers (trial applications)
- 206 Fictitious identification documentation (driver's license, Social Security Number, etc.)
- 207 History of injury or disability claims
- 208 Medical records submitted by someone other than a physician
- 209 Misrepresentations (medical, date of birth, driving/smoking habits, criminal history, weight, income, employment etc.)
- 210 Multiple addresses and/or the address is a strip mall, Bitcoin ATM, or commercial location
- 211 Premium paid in cash or by someone other than the applicant or insured
- 212 Reluctant to submit to a medical exam or fails to keep appointments
- Unusual action (no contact, not returning calls, threats, aggressive, unusually familiar with insurance lingo/legal language)
- 214 Identity Theft/ Financial Identity Theft Account Take Over
- 215 Impersonation of owner by someone other than the producer
- 216 Financial Exploitation isolation, mental or physical disabilities, lack of familiarity with financial matters
- Voice over internet use
- 218 Call originates from a foreign country
- Telephone number is registered to a business, and the caller claims to be an individual customer
- 220 Bank routing number does not correspond with the city and state where the owner resides
- Voided check provided with EFT form appears to be fraudulent/counterfeit
- 222 Instruction to send funds to an alternate address
- 223 Signature does not match the application
- 224 Electronic mail (e-mail) address provided to Athene does not look like a personal e-mail address
- Withdrawal request with no regard for penalties. Owner states before the prize/lottery winnings can be claimed, a processing fee or taxes have to be paid first

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- Withdrawal request with no regard for penalties. Owner states he/she is involved in an online romantic relationship, and funds are needed for the individual to visit the U.S. or some other purpose (Romance Scam)
- Withdrawal or surrender requested to be sent via wire transfer to foreign parties
- Address/telephone number changed and immediately followed by a withdrawal, surrender and/or change in banking information
- 229 Altered or washed check
- 230 Identity Theft (not ATO)
- Withdrawal request with no regard for penalties. Owner states he/she is involved in an online romantic relationship, and funds are needed for the U.S. Soldier's various false service-related needs. (Soldier Scam)
- 232 GIACT results are a decline
- Withdrawal request with no regard for penalties. Owner states to settle a debt, gift cards must be purchased and given to a third-party
- 234 Counterfeit check
- 235 Uncooperative and/or unwilling to provide authorization for the release of information

300 STOLI/IOLI (Stranger/Investor Owned Life Insurance)

- 301 Applicant has been offered a cash advance or consideration as an inducement to purchase the policy
- 302 Applicant has been offered "free insurance"
- Applicant has entered into a finance arrangement for a life settlement or with a third-party investor prior to or in with applying for the life insurance policy
- 304 Presence of a preconceived plan to sell or assign the policy
- 305 Evidence policy premiums are being financed; (planned large premium based on finances)
- Unusual or unexplainable terms in any written agreements (for example trust documents for premium financing arrangements)
- 307 Unusual conditions surrounding non-standard consideration or payments involved in the transaction
- 308 Incentives for assignment
- 309 Unusual, unexplainable and/or unrelated premium payors
- 310 Weak financial documentation
- 311 Unusual or non-standard ownership or beneficial interests in a trust owning the policy that favor a third-party lender or investor
- Recent, excessive insurance activity or a request for multiple contracts
- 313 Insured over the age of 65 with some medical impairment
- 314 No insurance in force
- Newly formed trust and or new producer
- 316 Assignment of a contract
- 317 Solicitation materials containing STOLI red flags

400 CLAIMS

- 401 Anonymous and/or frequent telephone inquiries regarding the status of a pending claim
- Beneficiary has no insurable interest (life insurance only)
- 403 Change in beneficiary shortly before insured's death
- 404 Circumstances of death are vague or incomplete
- 405 Death certificate from foreign country
- The decedent is a child living in a foreign country
- 407 Death occurred outside the U.S.
- 408 Delay in submitting death claim notice
- 409 Increase in coverage about just before insured's death
- 410 Medical records from foreign countries
- 411 No evidence of death, no death certificate
- 412 Policy lapses and a claim is submitted
- 413 Company check cashed after date of death of the owner

500 INTERNAL (EMPLOYEE)

- 501 Erratic behavior, mood swings
- Frequently submits expense reports with lost receipts and/or charges that appear to be inflated
- Living beyond their means (extravagant spending, living, etc.)
- Multiple complaints by customers or employees
- Reluctant to share information or access to

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507 508 509	Seeking a job transfer at lesser pay and/or job grade without valid reasons Working long hours or requesting to work hours when no one is around Creditors or collectors appearing at the workplace
600	VENDOR (SUPPLIER)
601	Bribe or use of internal relationship to obtain relationship with Athene
602	Inaccurate invoices (services not performed, over inflated invoices, etc.)
603	Publicly known to be involved in illegal activity
604	Submission of duplicate invoices
605	Submission of invoices for services not performed
606	Employee whistleblowing
607	Unwillingness to replace a vendor despite quality control failures
608	Uncontested price increases
609	Little to no concern with quality of services being procured
610	Altered Payee

REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

Athene USA Financial Crime Anti-Fraud Policy Anti-Fraud Plan Fraud Red Flag Definitions

Reluctant to take vacations

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