Personal Lines New Business Submission Guide

For Appointed Agents





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New-Business Submission Guide

What	Creating a new-business submission for Personal Lines policy types	
Who	Personal Lines agents	
When	When a submission meets Citizens' eligibility requirements	
Before you begin	This guide is intended as a submission overview. Additional questions may or may not display based on policy type and response.	

Establishing Eligibility

Per Florida law, agents must establish eligibility prior to placing a policy with Citizens. Property owners are eligible for Personal Lines coverage in Citizens if they meet *one* of the following rules:

- No-offer-of-coverage: The applicant is unaware of any offer of coverage from any authorized insurer.
- **20% Rule:** The premium for all offers of coverage made by authorized insurers is more than 20% greater than the premium for comparable coverage from Citizens.
- **Personal Lines Non-Primary Residence** will not be eligible for coverage with Citizens if an offer of comparable coverage not more than 20% greater than Citizens' premium is made by an approved surplus lines insurer as part of its take-out plan.

The named insured and property to be insured meet all other applicable underwriting criteria.

Establishing eligibility will vary slightly by policy type:

Policy Type	Requirement
HO-3, HO-6, DP-3	Eligibility must be established through
Dwelling, and DP-1	Clearinghouse powered by EZLynx comparative
Dwelling	rater, with the Detailed Quote Results being
	submitted as proof of eligibility.
All other personal	These policies will begin in PolicyCenter. A copy of
lines policy types	the rate comparison or private carrier's quote and/or declination of coverage must be submitted
	with the application for these policy type.

For more details, refer to the *Personal Lines: New Business Eligibility Guide*.

Establishing Eligibility, continued

Creating a Comparable Quote

A comparable quote must be created prior to a new-business submission when the policyholder has an offer from the private market. To be considered comparable, the following must match the private market offer:

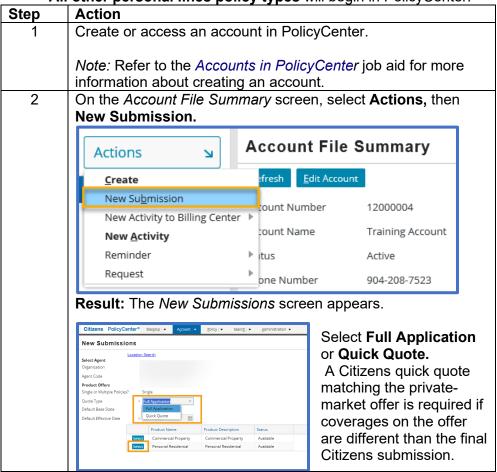
- Coverage A limits
- Hurricane Deductibles
- Ordinance and Law Coverage percentage, if offered
- Mitigation Credits
- Loss Settlement (actual cash value or replacement cost)

Remaining coverages/characteristics should be the same in comparing quotes, but carrier options may not be an exact match, closest option available should be presented.

Starting a New Submission Steps to create a new submission will vary by policy type:

 HO-3, HO-6, DP-3 Dwelling, and DP-1 Dwelling will begin in EZLynx. Refer to the Citizens Clearinghouse Powered by EZLynx quoting demonstration video for step-by-step instructions on your EZLynx quote. Once your quote has been created in EZLynx, select Access Quote to bridge to PolicyCenter. Continue to Step 7 of this document.

All other personal lines policy types will begin in PolicyCenter.



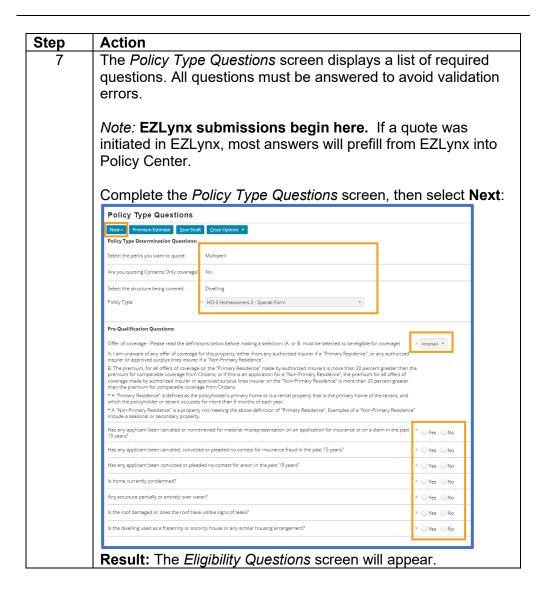
Starting a New Submission in PolicyCenter, continued

Step	Action		
3	If you Then		
	Created a quick Convert the quick quote to a full		
	quote application by selecting Full App from the		
	Premium Estimate screen in your Quick		
	Quote.		
	Did not create a Select Full Application from the <i>Quote</i>		
	quick quote		
	Submissions screen.		
4	On PolicyCenter submissions, the <i>Default Effective Date</i> displays the current date. Accept the date or select a future effective date by clicking the calendar icon.		
	New Submissions		
	<u>Location Search</u>		
	Select Agent Organization ABC Florida		
	Agent Code B1232 Bill X Agent		
	Product Offers Single or Multiple Policies? Single		
	Quote Type * Full Application *		
	Default Base State Florida		
	Default Effective Date * 04/01/2019 X III		
	Use Primary Account Location ★ 〈 Apr 2019 ▼ 〉		
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	Note: Agents can submit a new-business submission 30 days		
	in advance of the requested effective date.		

Starting a New Submission in PolicyCenter, continued

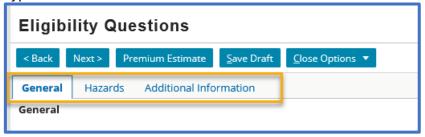
Step	Action			
5	In the <i>Use Primary Account Location</i> field, select Yes to carry over the account address, or No to enter a separate address for the submission. Note: This field only displays when there is more than one submission on an account. If this is a new account, and no other submissions have been started on it, this will not appear on the screen.			
6	Select a line of business for the policy:			
	New Submissions			
	<u>Location Search</u>			
	Select Agent			
	Organization ABC Florida			
	Agent Code B1232 Bill X Agent			
	Product Offers			
	Single or Multiple Policies? Single			
	Quote Type ★ Full Application ▼			
	Default Base State Florida			
	Default Effective Date * 04/01/2019			
	Use Primary Account Location * Yes • No			
	Product Name Product Description Status			
	Select Commercial Property Commercial Property Available			
	Select Personal Residential Personal Residential Available			
	Result: The Policy Type Questions screen appears.			

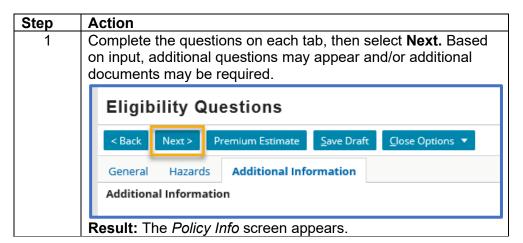
Policy Type **Questions** Screen



Eligibility Questions Screen

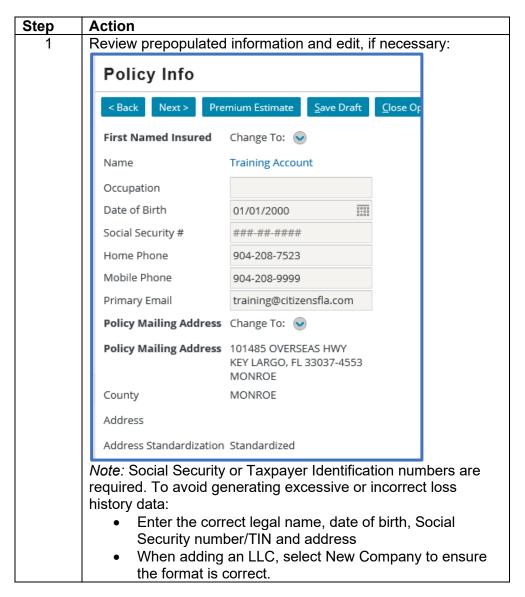
The *Eligibility Questions* screen consists of three tabs: *General, Hazards* and *Additional Information*. Navigate between tabs by clicking on the blue hyperlinks:



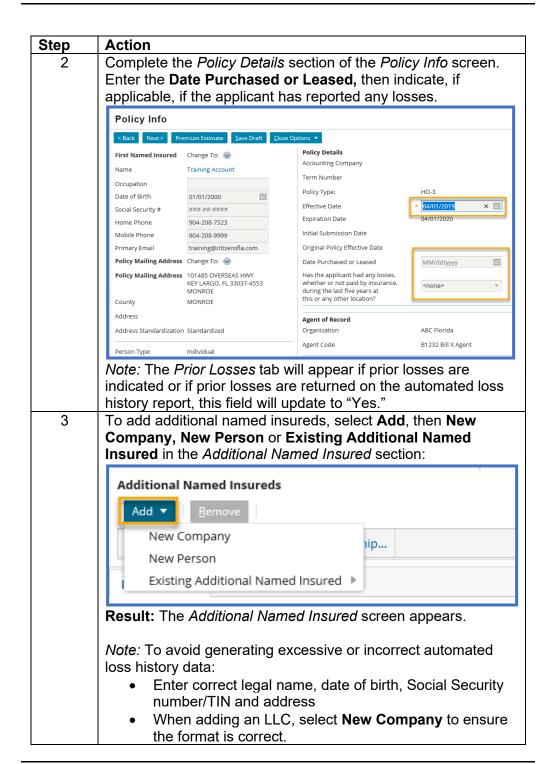


Policy Info Screen

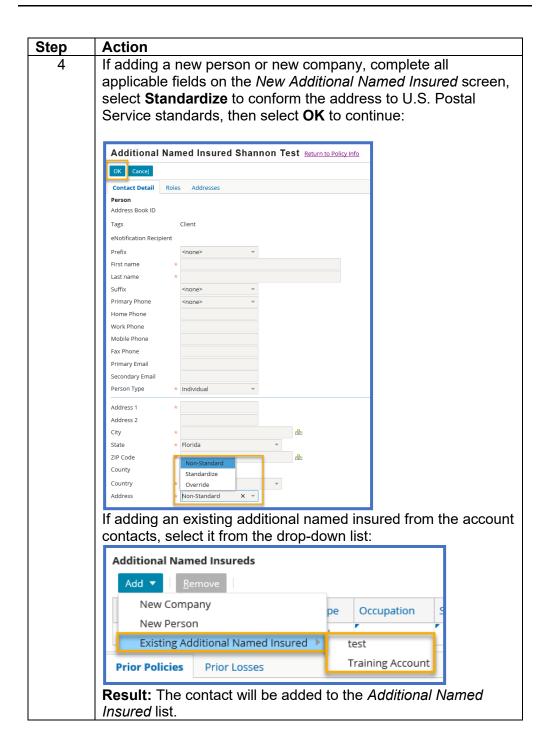
The information on the *Policy Info* screen prepopulates from the customer's account in PolicyCenter or EZLynx.



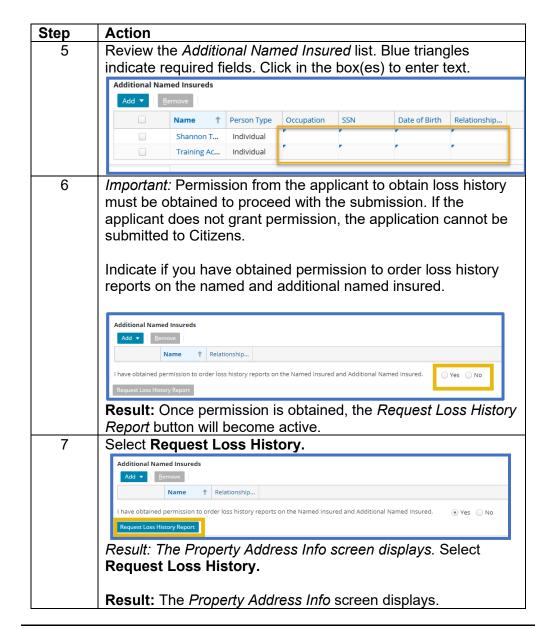
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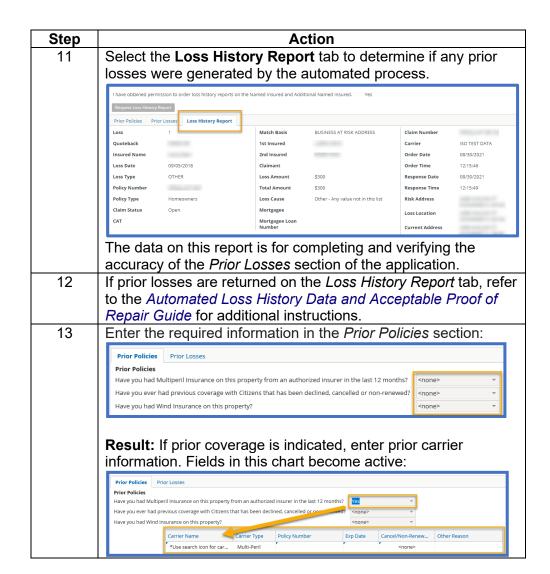
Policy Info Screen, continued



Policy Info Screen, continued

Step	Action			
8	Retrieve property information.			
	Property Address Info			
	< Back Next > Premium Estimate Save Draft Close Options ▼			
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	Address 2			
	City *			
	State Florida			
	ZIP Code *			
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	Coastal Construction Control Line <none></none>			
	Coastal Barrier Resources System <none> v</none>			
	Verify CCCL/CBRS Status			
	Result: The Property Information Results screen displays.			
9	Select Accept Returned Address.			
	Property Information Results Return to Property Address Info			
	Accept Returned Address Use Original Address Cancel			
	Returned Address			
	Result: The Property Address Info screen displays. Loss			
	history data is pulled.			
	Thistory data is pulled.			
	Note: Use Original Address should only be selected in rare			
	circumstances. If you use the original address, contact			
	Underwriting to discuss prior to submission.			
10	Return to the Policy Info screen by selecting the link.			
	Property Address Info			
	< Back Next > Premium Estimate Save Draft Close Options ▼			
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	Click here to review the Loss History Report on the "Policy Info" screen.			
	Property			
	Property Address			
	Result: The Policy Info screen displays.			

Policy Info Screen, continued



Policy Info Screen, continued

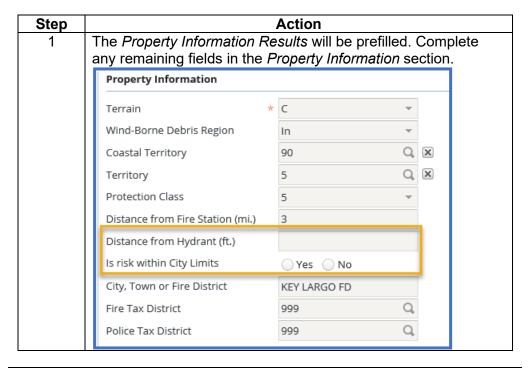
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14	If there is	ere is prior coverage:		
	Step	Action		
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		feature:		
		Carrier Name Carrier Type Policy Number		
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	2	Result: The External Carriers search page appears.		
	2	To find a carrier, enter at least the first few characters of the carrier name. Select Search :		
		Characters of the carrier frame. Select Search .		
		External Carriers Return to Policy Info		
		To find a prior carrier, enter at least the first few characters of the		
		carrier name, then click the search button. From those search results,		
		select the correct name or *** CARRIER NOT FOUND ***.		
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		<u>S</u> earch <u>R</u> eset		
		Result: Search results are returned below.		
	3	Select the prior carrier:		
		Colour the prior carrier.		
		External Carriers Return to Policy Info		
		To find a prior carrier, enter at least the first few characters of the		
	carrier name, then click the search button. From those search result select the correct name or *** CARRIER NOT FOUND ***.			
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		Carrier Id Carrier Name		
		Select 106100 CITIZENS P		
		Result: The Policy Info screen reappears.		
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Property Address Info Screen

The Property Address Info screen displays important rating factors specific to the property address. Many of these factors will prefill when the property address is retrieved for the automated loss history report.

Note: These items prefill from EZLynx but may be updated based on Property Information results.

To complete the *Property Address Info* screen:



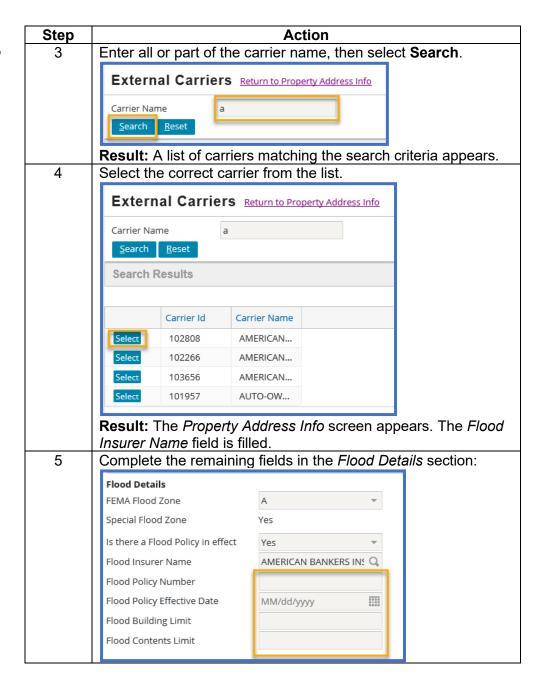
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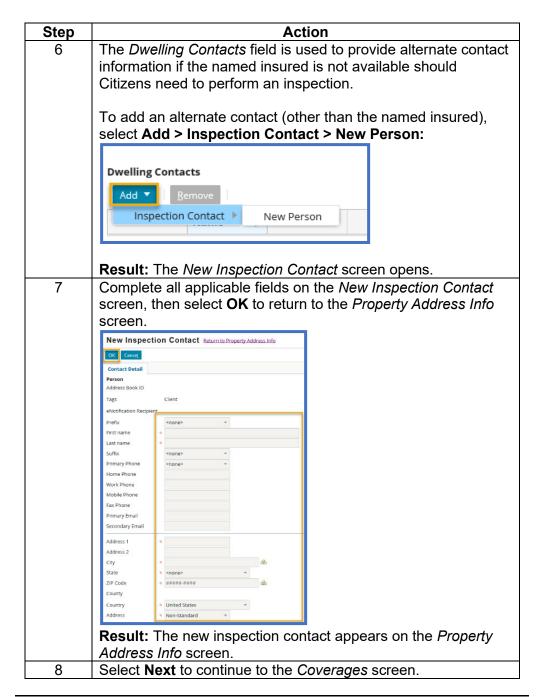
Property Address Info Screen, continued

Step	Action			
2	Some fields in the <i>Flood Details</i> section will be prefilled with retrieved property data, while others require a response. Refer to the Managing Flood Requirements guide for most current flood coverage requirements. Complete all active fields:			
	If	Then		
	No flood policy is in effect, and the property is not in a FEMA flood zone and Coverage A is not above the current year's threshold	Continue to Step 6.		
	No flood policy is in effect, however the retrieved property data incorrectly indicates the primary structure is in a FEMA flood zone.	Visit FEMA Flood Map Service Center to print the flood map. Amend the FEMA flood zone field to the correct flood zone. The FEMA flood map will be a required document.		
	If no flood policy is in effect, and the property is in a FEMA flood zone or Coverage A is above the current year's threshold	If the submission includes wind coverage, it is ineligible for Citizens unless a flood policy meeting current requirements is purchased.		
	If a new or active flood policy is indicated, enter flood policy information	Select the search icon to locate the flood insurance carrier. Is there a Flood Policy in effect Flood Insurer Name Flood Policy Number Flood Policy Effective Date Flood Building Limit Flood Contents Limit Result: The External Carriers screen		
		Result: The External Carriers screen appears. Continue to Step 3.		

Property Address Info Screen. continued



Property Address Info Screen. continued



Coverages Screen

Action taken on the Coverages screen will vary by policy type.

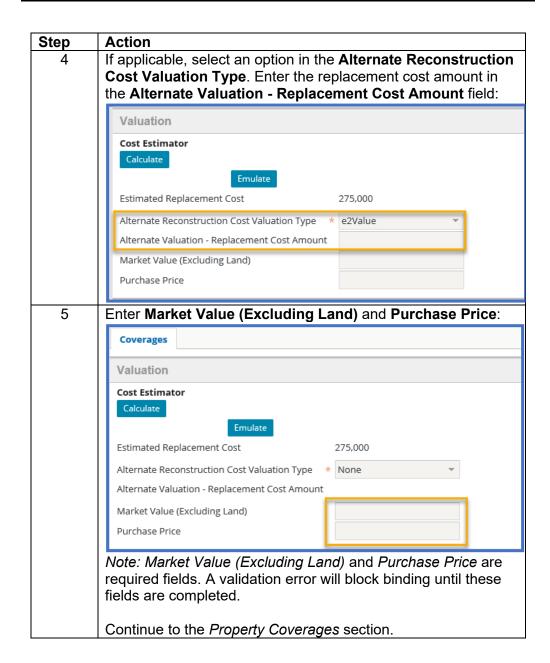
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- Submissions bridged from EZLynx: Coverage and deductible amounts entered in EZLynx will bridge to PolicyCenter, however cost estimates are not available in EZLynx. The replacement cost estimator must be completed in PolicyCenter. Updates to prefilled coverage amounts may be required to meet Citizens' insurance to value requirements. Continue to Step 1.
- Contents-Only submissions not bridged from EZLynx: If the policy type does not require a replacement cost estimate, continue to Step 4.

Note: Refer to the *RCT Express Cost Estimator Guide* for more information about completing the RCT Express Cost Estimator.

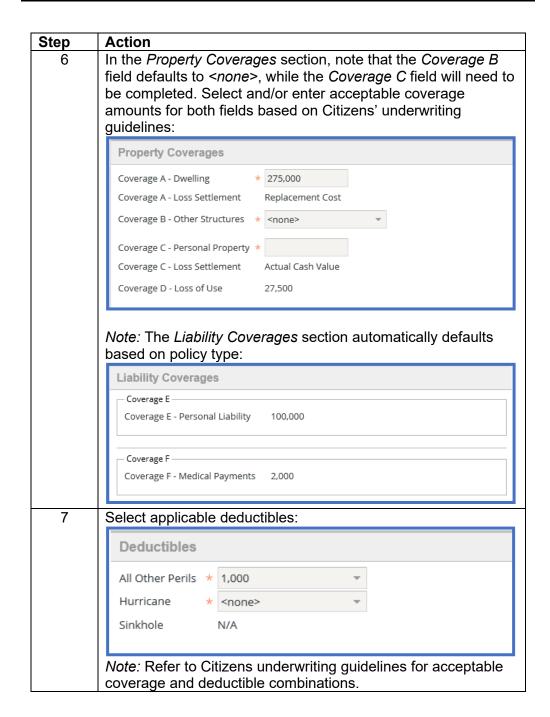
If a replacement cost estimate is required:

Step	Action
1	Select Calculate in the <i>Coverages</i> tab:
	Result: the cost estimator opens.
2	Enter the required information and select Calculate .
	Result: The replacement cost displays.
3	Select Edit to amend the cost estimate or Finish to return to the <i>Coverages</i> screen:
	Result: After you're finished with the estimator, the cost estimate prepopulates the Coverage A field. Default values are displayed in the other <i>Property Coverages</i> fields.

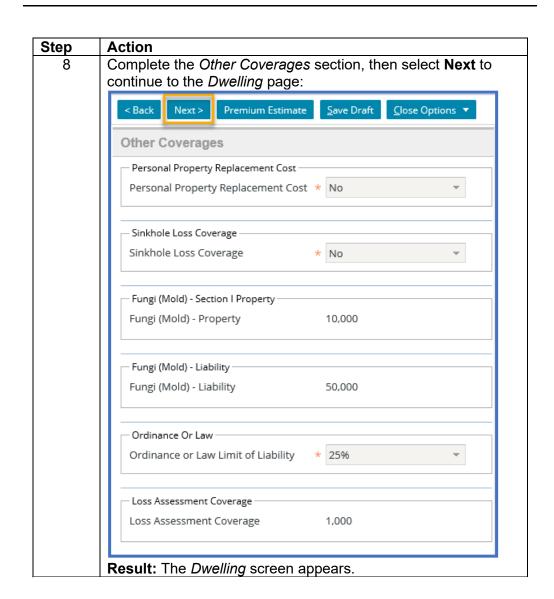
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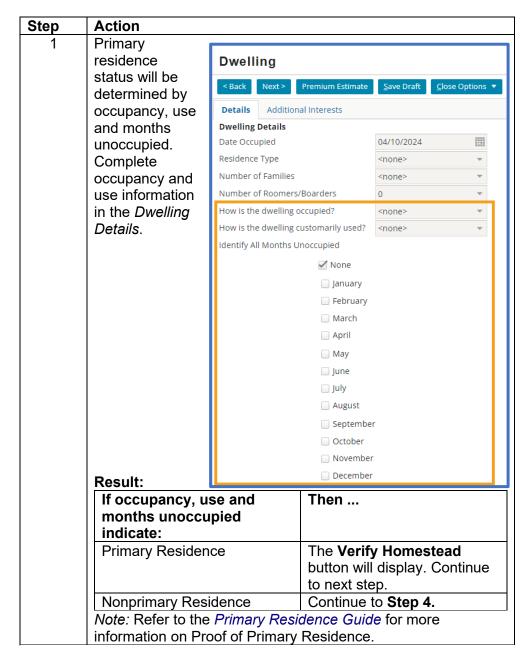


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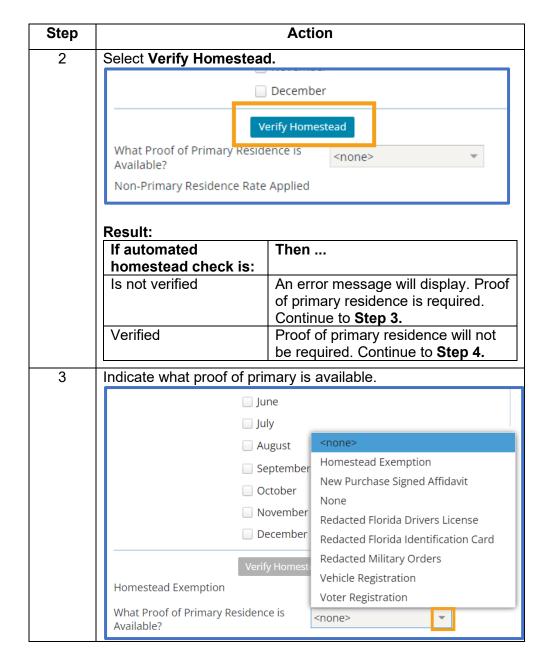


Dwelling Screen

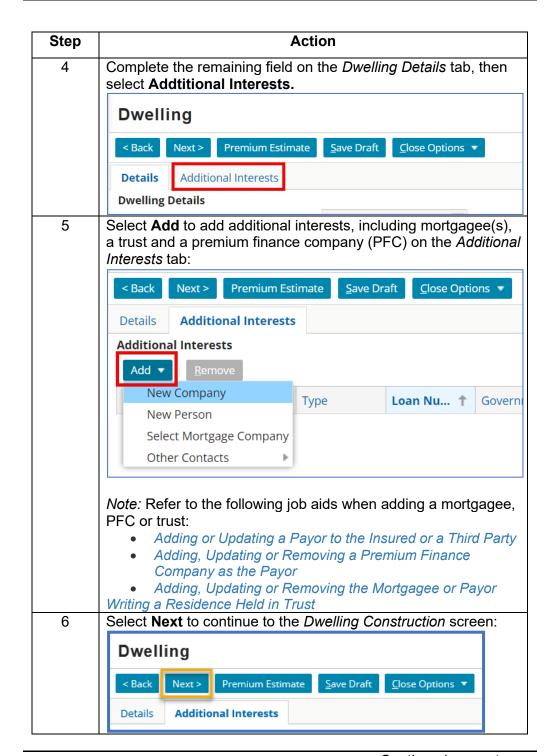
The *Dwelling* screen contains two tabs: *Details* and *Additional Interests*. Both tabs must be completed.



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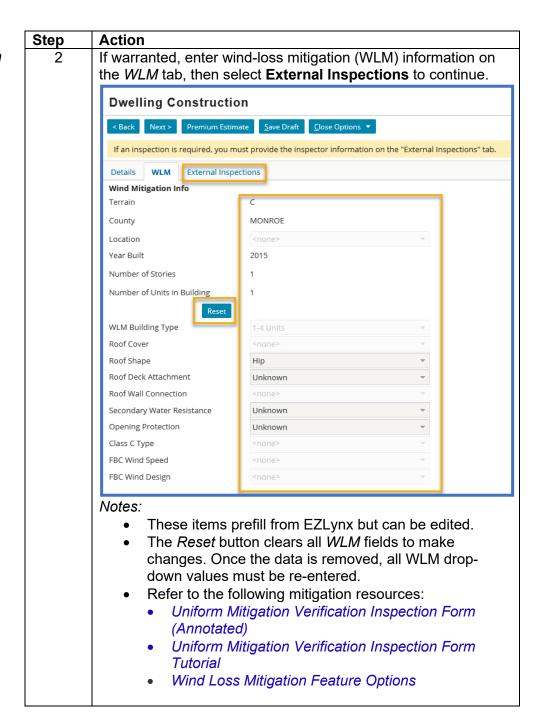
Dwelling Construction Screen The *Dwelling Construction* screen consists of three tabs that allow you to enter detailed information regarding the property: *Details, WLM* and *External Inspections*.

Note: If a cost estimate was completed, some fields may prepopulate with information from the estimator.

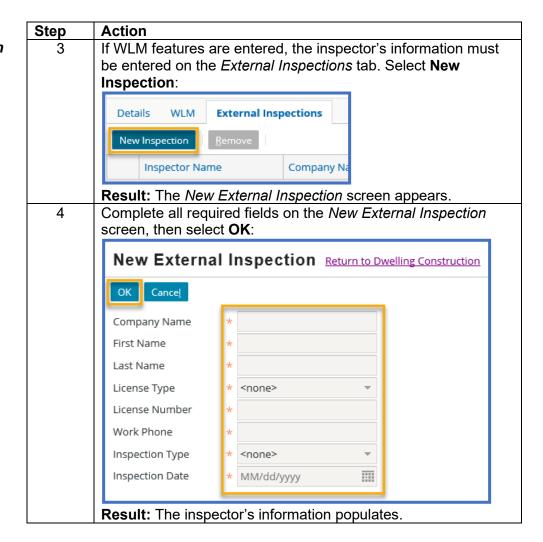
4	Action			
1 1	Complete the Deta	he Details Dwelling Construction		
	tab. Additional fields			tions •
	may appear based on		If an inspection is required, you must provide the inspector information on the "External inspections" tab. Details WLM External inspections	
	the answers provided.		Building Information	
	Once complete, se	lect	Number of Stories	1
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	the WLM tab.		Total Living Area (sq. ft)	2000
			Is the Primary Heat Source portable?	○ Yes ● No
	Note: Certain risks		Does the Primary Heat Source have an open flame?	○ Yes
			Is the heat source a central gas fireplace or wood burning stove that is permanently installed by the factory or a qualified professi	ior al? Yes No
	without acceptable	;	Construction Year Built	2015
	proof of roof		Construction Type	<none> +</none>
	replacement must	be	Roof Material	Tile v
	submitted unbound		Roof Remaining Useful Life (years)	
		וטו ג	Number of Units in Fire Division Any Unacceptable Plumbing	<none> <</none>
	approval.		Any Hazardous Electrical Wiring	<none> ~</none>
			Has the Aluminum Branch wiring been remediated?	Yes No
			Electrical Service - Number of Amps BCEGS Grade	<none> *</none>
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	Refer to the Citizer		Year of Last Update - Roofing Four Point Inspection Date	
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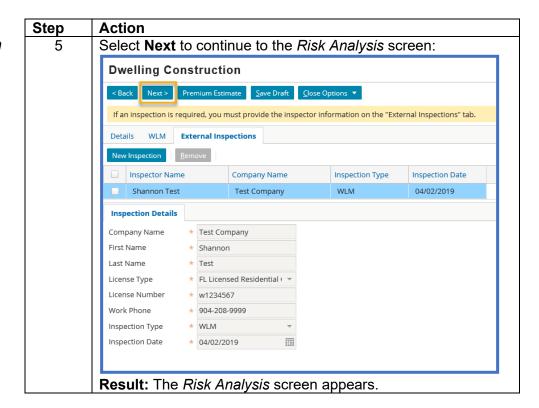
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Dwelling Construction Screen, continued



Risk Analysis Screen

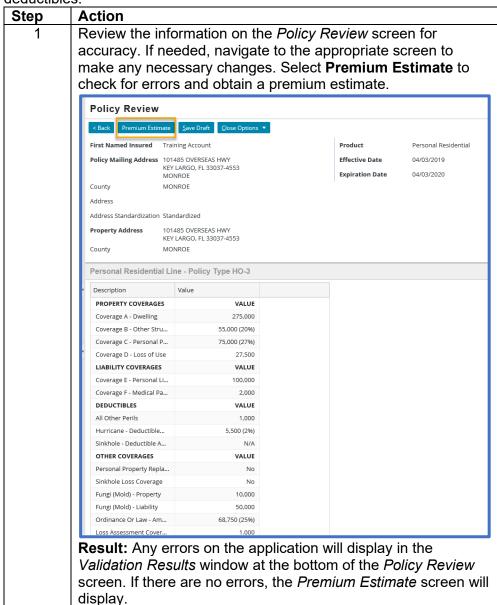
The *Risk Analysis* screen alerts you to any underwriting issues for this submission. If issues are returned, navigate to the applicable section and address the issues.

Select **Next** to continue to the *Policy Review* screen.

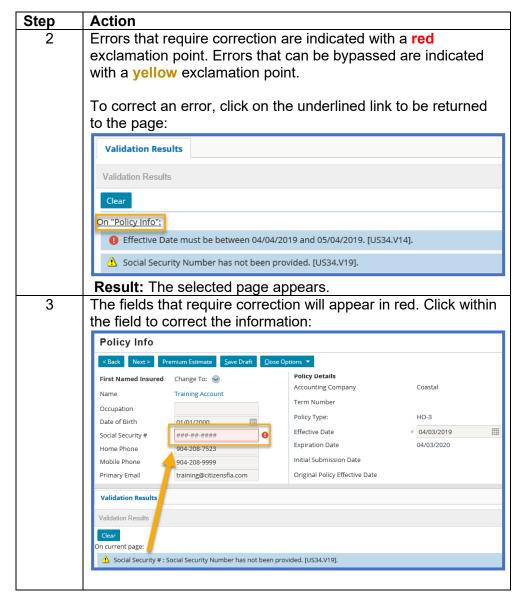


Policy Review Screen

The Policy Review screen provides an overview of coverage and deductibles.



Policy Review Screen, continued



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Policy Review Screen, continued

Step	Action	
4	Once all errors have been corrected, select Premium	
	Estimate	
	Result: The Premium Estimate screen appears.	

Premium Estimate Screen

The *Premium Estimate* screen provides estimated premium charges for the policy. The premium is subject to change pending Underwriting review. There are multiple options on the *Premium Estimate* screen:

Premium Estimate		
< Back Next > Edit Transaction Save Draft Versions ▼ Close Options ▼ Request Approval Print Options ▼		
Select	То	
Edit Transaction	Make changes to the application, then re-estimate premium.	
Save Draft	Save the application, which enables you to return later.	
Versions	Create a different version of the application for coverage and premium comparison purposes.	
Close Options Withdraw the application.		
Request Approval	To bind the application (if eligible) Important note: Do not request approval until the billing and payment method is entered on the Payment screen.	
Print Options	Print the <i>Premium Estimate, Rating Worksheet</i> or <i>Application.</i>	

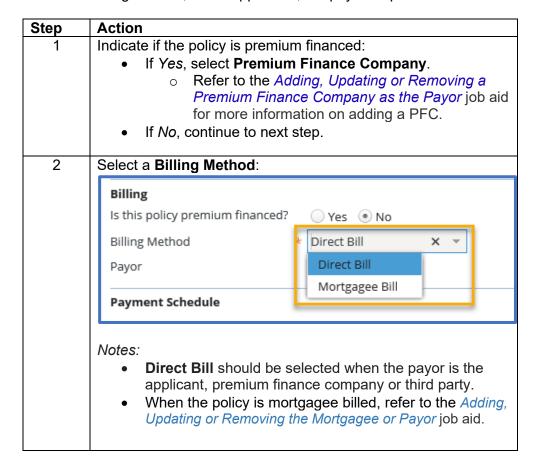
Once you review the *Premium Estimate* screen, select **Next** to continue to the *Payment* screen.

Payment Screen

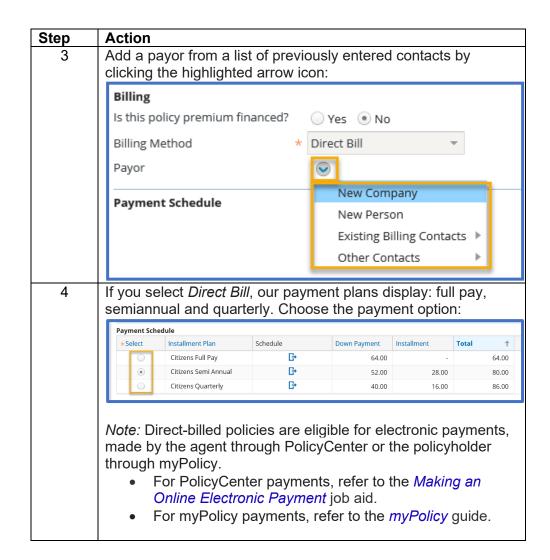
From the *Payment* screen, view the *Premium Summary*, and select a billing method.

Note: It is very important to select a billing method before requesting approval. The billing method cannot be edited once you have clicked the *Request Approval* button.

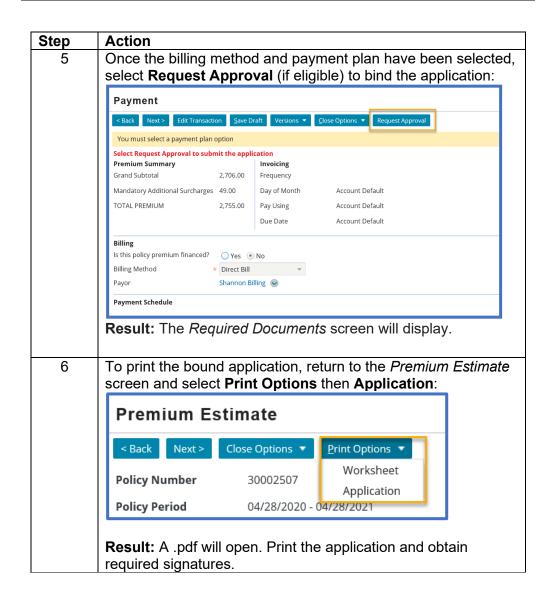
To set the billing method, and if applicable, the payment plan:



Payment Screen, continued



Payment Screen, continued



Required Documents Screen

As you create a new submission, the *Required Documents* screen displays a dynamic list of documents you must upload.

When you have multiple items (for example, photos) for the same required document type, files can be combined in a PDF or multiple document types can be selected.

Important: PolicyCenter will not allow an application to be submitted to Underwriting for approval or auto-approved until all required documents have been submitted and the *SUBMIT* button has been selected. Failure to do so could result in a Late-Submission Violation.

Refer to the *Uploading and Linking Documents* job aid for detailed instructions on document submission.

Required **Documents** Screen. continued

