

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §33-33-3

§33-33-3. General requirements related to filing and extensions for filing of annual audited financial reports and audit committee appointment.

(a) All insurers shall have an annual audit by an independent certified public accountant and shall file an audited financial report with the commissioner on or before June 1 for the year ending December 31 immediately preceding. The commissioner may require an insurer to file an audited financial report earlier than June 1 with ninety days advance notice to the insurer.

(b) Extensions of the filing date on June 1 may be granted by the commissioner for thirty-day periods upon showing by the insurer and its independent certified public accountant the reasons for requesting the extension and determination by the commissioner of good cause for an extension. A request for extension must be submitted in writing not less than ten days prior to the due date in sufficient detail to permit the commissioner to make an informed decision with respect to the requested extension.

(c) If an extension is granted in accordance with the provisions in subsection (b) of this section, a similar extension of thirty days is granted to the filing of management's report of internal control over financial reporting.

(d) Every insurer required to file an annual audited financial report pursuant to this article shall designate a group of individuals as constituting its audit committee, as defined in subdivision (3), section two of this article. The audit committee of an entity that controls an insurer may be deemed to be the insurer's audit committee for purposes of this article at the election of the controlling person.