

Stop-Loss Restrictions by State*

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Alaska	<u>§ 21.42.145</u>	2-50 Employees	Prohibits specific deductible limits below \$10,000	Prohibits aggregate coverage attachment points of less than \$4,000 per person, or 120% of expected claims or \$20,000, whichever is greater	No	Prohibits direct payment to covered individuals
Arkansas	§ 23-62-111	All employers	Prohibits specific deductible limits below \$20,000	 For employers with 50 or fewer covered employees, prohibits aggregate coverage attachment points of less than \$4,000 per member, 120% of expected claims or \$20,000, whichever is greater. For employers with more than 50 covered employees, prohibits aggregate coverage attachment points of lower than 110% of expected claims 	No	 Requires stop-loss applications to disclose that purchase of stop-loss insurance does not relieve employer of all risks and that it does not make the stop-loss carrier a fiduciary. Prohibits direct payment to covered individuals
California	Ins. Code § 10752- 10752.8	1-50 employees	Prohibits specific deductible limits below \$35,000 (goes to \$40,000 in 2016)	Prohibits aggregate coverage attachment points of less than \$5,000 per person, 120% of expected claims or \$35,000 (\$40,000 in 2016), whichever is greater	Yes	Guaranteed renewableProhibits direct payment to covered individuals



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Colorado	<u>§ 10-16-119</u>	2-50 employees	Prohibits specific deductible limits below \$20,000	Prohibits aggregate coverage attachment points of less than \$20,000 per person, or 120% of expected claims, whichever is greater	No	Mandates reporting requirements on stop-loss carriers Mandates disclosures to employers on renewability, limitations on coverage and contract terms concerning claims incurred but not yet paid by end of contract term Prohibits lasers
Connecticut	Bulletin Numbers HC-95 and PC-75	2-50 employees	Prohibits specific deductible limits below \$20,000	For employers with 50 or fewer covered employees, prohibits aggregate coverage attachment points of less than \$4,000 per member, 120% of expected claims or \$20,000, whichever is greater. For employers with more than 50 covered employees, prohibits aggregate coverage attachment points of lower than 110% of expected claims	No	Prohibits direct payment to covered individuals



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District of Colombia	<u>D.C. Official</u> <u>Code § 31-</u> 4712(c)(1)(C)(i)	All employers	Stop-loss policy with specific deductible limit below \$40,000 will be considered a health insurance policy in Florida, and therefore subject to state regulation	Aggregate stop-loss policies below the following limits will result in the policy being considered health insurance: • Employers with 100 or fewer covered employees, aggregate coverage attachment points of less than \$5,000 per person, or 120% of expected claims or \$40,000, whichever is greater.		• Prohibits sale of stop- loss insurance policy to small employers (as defined in ACA) • Prohibits direct payment to covered individuals • Prohibits excluding an employee or dependent from being covered under the stop-loss policy from an actual or anticipated health-related factors • Requires guaranteed renewability
Delaware	<u>18, § 7218(e)</u>	1-15 employees	N/A	N/A	No	 Prohibits sale of stop- loss insurance to employers with 15 or fewer employees



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Florida	Florida Statutes Chapter 627 Section 66997	All employers	Stop-loss policy with specific deductible limit below \$20,000 will be considered a health insurance policy in Florida, and therefore subject to state regulation	Aggregate stop-loss policies below the following limits will result in the policy being considered health insurance: • Employers with 50 or fewer covered employees, aggregate coverage attachment points of less than \$4,000 per person, or 120% of expected claims or \$20,000, whichever is greater. • For employers with more than 50 covered employees, aggregate coverage attachment points of lower than 110% of expected claims	No	N/A
Georgia	<u>Rule 120-2-50-</u> <u>.05</u>	All MEWAs	N/A	N/A	No	Multiple Employer Self-Insured Health Plans are required to find benefits up to the point at which the excess stop-loss insurer assumes 100 percent of the liability to pay benefits The Commissioner will closely scrutinize the agreement to determine whether the levels of individual and aggregate risk retained by the plan.



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Kansas	<u>Ins Reg 40-1-49</u>	All employers	Prohibits specific deductible limits below \$10,000	Prohibits aggregate coverage attachment points of less than 120% of expected claims	No	Prohibits direct payment to covered individuals or providers Mandates minimum stop-loss contract term of 12/13 (covers claims incurred during plan year and paid during the plan year and 1 month after end of contract)
Kentucky	<u>Advisory</u> Opinion 2020- <u>004</u>	All employers	N/A	N/A	No	• Advisory Opinion 2020- 004 advised insurers that the DOI will consider a stop-loss policy that has an annual attachment point for claims incurred per individual that is lower than \$25,000 or has a minimum number of employees that is less than twenty-five to be a Health Benefit Plan.
Louisiana	<u>§ 22:459, 883</u>	All employers	Prohibits specific deductible limits below \$10,000	Prohibits aggregate coverage attachment points of less than \$4,000 per person, or 110% of expected claims (120% for small employers)	No	 Allows waiver or reduce aggregate cap limitation Mandates minimum stop-loss contract term of 12/15 (covers claims incurred during plan year and paid during the plan year and 3 months after end of contract)



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Maine	BOI Stop-Loss Filing Requirements arising from state law on excess 24 AMRSA §§ 707, 2304, 2452	All employers	Prohibits specific deductible limits below \$20,000	Prohibits aggregate coverage attachment points of less than 120% of expected claims	No	Requires 12/18 coverage to be offered to all stoploss policies, and if coverage does not include "tail coverage", employer must receive disclosure notices (approved by BOI) advising that the policy is issued without tail coverage and disclose any associated risk for declining coverage.
Maryland	<u>Ins. § 15-129</u>	All employers	Prohibits specific deductible limits below \$10,000	Prohibits aggregate coverage attachment points of less than 115% of expected claims	No	N/A
Minnesota	60A.235, 236	All employers	Prohibits specific deductible limits below \$20,000	Prohibits aggregate coverage attachment points of less than \$4,000 per person, or 110% of expected claims (120% for small employers) or \$20,000, whichever is greater	No	N/A



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Missouri	Bulletin 07-01	All employers	N/A	Reserves right to require actuarial analysis if stoploss policies are issued to employers when: • max specific deductible less than \$20,000 and/or the minimum aggregate attachment point less than 120% of expected • group has 50 or fewer covered employees and attachment point is the greater of \$4,000 times the number of covered employees, 120% of expected claims, or \$20,000	N/A	Department may also require insurer issuing stop-loss policy to provide the following: If the insurer intend to obtain reinsurance for this planda summary of the intended market and marketing plandaximum and minimum risk retention levels the company will accept per contract
Nevada	Group and Blanket Plans: 689B-350 Small Group: Chapter 689C.250	All employers	Prohibits specific deductible limits below \$10,000	• Large Group: Prohibits aggregate coverage attachment points of less than \$4,000 per person, or 110% of expected claims (120% for small employers) or \$20,000, whichever is greater • Small Group: Prohibits aggregate coverage attachment points of less than \$4,000 per person or 120% or \$10,000	No	• Prohibits direct payment to covered individuals



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New Hampshire	<u>415-H:3</u>	All employers	Prohibits specific deductible limits below \$20,000	Prohibits aggregate coverage attachment points of less than \$4,000 per person, or 110% of expected claims (120% for small employers) or \$20,000, whichever is greater	No	· Prohibits direct payment to covered individuals
New Jersey	<u>17B § 27A-17</u>	2-50 employees	Prohibits specific deductible limits below \$20,000	Prohibits aggregate coverage attachment points of less than 125% of expected claims, whichever is greater	No	N/A
New York	OGC Opinion 07-09-22	All employers	None	None	No	· Cannot laser for a cancer diagnosis that is more than three years old (§ 2613) · Prohibits sale of stop-loss insurance to small employers (§ 3231) · Cannot issue policy to group plan that denies or limits benefits because of a specific disease or condition (§§ 3234, 4320) · Prompt payment legislation applies to stoploss insurers
North Carolina	§ 58-50-130(a)(5)	26-50 employees	Prohibits specific deductible limits below \$20,000	Prohibits aggregate coverage attachment points of less than \$20,000 per person, or 120% of expected claims, whichever is greater	No	 Maintains state's prohibition on stop-loss insurance sales below 25 employees Prohibits direct payment to covered individuals



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North Dakota	<u>ND Admin</u> <u>Code 45-06-14-</u> <u>13</u>	All MEWAs	N/A	N/A	No	• A MEWA may not retain liability on any one incident of more than 10% of its annual premium volume during the most recent fund year, plus twenty percent of its surplus
Oklahoma	<u>Bulletin LH</u> <u>2013-03</u>	All employers	Prohibits specific deductible limits below \$10,000	Prohibits aggregate coverage attachment points of less than 120% of expected claims	No	• Policy must be issued to, and insure, the sponsor of the plan, or the plan itself, not the employees, members, or participants • Payment by the insurer must be made to the sponsor of the plan or the plan itself, not the employees, members, participants, or providers • Any stop loss insurance coverage must provide an aggregate retention of no less than 110% of expected claims (36 OK Statutes §36-7401).
Oregon	<u>§ 742.065</u>	All employers	Prohibits specific deductible limits below \$10,000	Prohibits aggregate coverage attachment points of less than 120% of expected claims	No	 Prohibits stop-loss insurer from issuing policy to small employer that covers "less than fully insured employee health benefit plan" Prohibits direct payment to covered individuals or providers



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Pennsylvania	27 PA. Code §§ 89.471-474	All employers	Prohibits specific deductible limits below \$10,000	Prohibits aggregate coverage attachment points of less than \$100,000	No	Bankruptcy of plan sponsor does not relieve stop-loss carrier from paying claims Limited to covering a single employer group health plan Prohibits pooling of risk and direct payment to covered individuals
Rhode Island	§§ 27-8.2.1-5	All employers	Prohibits specific deductible limits below \$20,000	Prohibits aggregate coverage attachment points of less than 120% of expected claims	No	Prohibits direct payment to covered individuals
South Carolina	SECTION 38-41- 50; SECTION 38- 33-130	All MEWAs and HMOs	N/A	N/A	Yes	· Aggregate excess stop- loss coverage shall include provisions to cover incurred, unpaid claim liability in the event of plan termination. The excess or stop-loss insurer shall bear the risk of coverage for any member of the pool that becomes insolvent with outstanding contributions due
South Dakota	<u>§ 58-33-106</u>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Statute specifically prohibits regulation of stop loss or excess insurance covering health claims of employees arising from self-funded employee health programs.



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Tennessee	DOI Bulletin 20- <u>07</u>	All employers	Prohibits specific deductible limits below \$10,000	Prohibits aggregate coverage attachment points of less than 120% of excepted claims	No	 Mandates form approval and rate submission prior to sale of all stop-loss policies
Utah	<u>§ 31A-43-101 et</u> <u>seq.</u>	2-50 Employees	Prohibits specific deductible limits below \$10,000	Prohibits aggregate coverage attachment points of less than 85% of expected claims	Uncertain	Mandates 12/24 contract term (pays claims incurred during plan year and paid during the plan year or 12 months after end of contract term) Requires stop-loss insurers to cover incurred and unpaid claims if a small employer plan terminates Prohibits lasers Prohibits direct payment to covered individuals



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Vermont	Regulation H- 2009-02 (Revised)	All employers	Prohibits specific deductible limits below \$33,299 or \$40,000 for small employers with 25 or fewer employees	• Small employers with 25 or fewer employees must have an annual aggregate attachment point that is at least the greater of 120 percent of expected claims or \$40,000. • Small employers with more than 25 employees must have an annual aggregate attachment point that is at least the greater of 120 percent of expected claims or \$33,200. • Any group other than small employers must have an aggregate attachment point that is at least 110 percent of expected claims	No	· Mandates disclosures to employers on renewability, limitations on coverage and contract terms concerning claims incurred but not yet paid by end of contract term and if available, describes terminal liability and whether it is an option · Requires state approval of rates for small group stoploss policies
Washington	<u>RCW W §</u> 48.21.015	All employers	Prohibits specific deductible limits below 5% of expected claims or \$100,000, whichever is less	N/A	N/A	Prohibits direct payment to covered individuals

^{*}The following states are not included on this chart as they do not have applicable stop-loss restrictions: Alabama, Arizona, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, Ohio, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming