

New York Life Insurance Company New York Life Insurance and Annuity Corporation

> (A Delaware Corporation) 51 Madison Avenue New York, NY 10010

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IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION

The confidentiality and security of our customers' personal information is very important to New York Life. We maintain physical, electronic and procedural safeguards that meet state and federal regulations, and we limit employee and agent access to our customers' information.

On March 16, 2022, we were advised by our brokerage provider National Financial Services LLC of an issue involving your personal information. Pursuant to Massachusetts law (M.G.L. Chapter 93H), we are not permitted to include the nature of the incident in this letter. While we have no indication that any of your information has actually been misused, as a preventative measure, we are notifying you about this issue.

New York Life is employing measures to prevent unauthorized access to your records with us. As a preventative measure, we have flagged your account number in our system so that additional verification protocols will be utilized if anyone attempts to access your account.

Additionally, we will purchase for you two-years of credit monitoring services via the Equifax Credit Watch TM Gold Service. This service will provide you daily access to your Equifax credit report and notify you of key changes to your report. It also includes up to \$1,000,000 of identity theft insurance coverage and Identity Restoration services if needed. Please see the enclosed instructions for enrollment in the Equifax Credit Watch TM Gold Service.

We want to inform you about ways to protect yourself from identity theft should you wish to pursue them. We recommend that you place an initial fraud alert on your credit files. A fraud alert requires potential creditors to use what the law refers to as "reasonable policies and procedures" to verify your identity before issuing credit in your name. A fraud alert lasts for 90 days. Just call one of the three credit reporting agencies at a number below. This will let you automatically place an alert with <u>all</u> of the agencies. You will receive letters from all three, confirming the fraud alert and letting you know how to get a free copy of your credit report from each.

Equifax

www.equifax.com

Equifax Credit Information Services, Inc. P.O. Box 740241 Atlanta, GA 30374 1-800-525-6285

Trans Union

www.transunion.com

TransUnion Fraud Victim Assistance Department P.O. Box 2000 Chester, PA 19016-2000 1-800-680-7289

Experian

www.experian.com

Experian P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013 1-888-397-3742

You can also order your free credit report by visiting www.annualcreditreport.com, calling toll-free at 1-877-322-8228, or completing the Annual Credit Report Request Form on the U.S. Federal Trade Commission's website at www.consumer.ftc.gov and mailing it to Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA 30348-5281.

We encourage you to remain vigilant by reviewing account statements and monitoring free credit reports. When you receive your credit reports, please review them carefully. Look for accounts you did not open and inquiries from creditors that you did not initiate. Also, look for personal information, such as home address and Social Security number, that is not accurate. If you see anything that is not accurate or that you do not understand, call the credit reporting agency at the telephone number on the report. You have rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act ("FCRA"). These include, among others, the right to know what is in your file; to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information; and to have consumer reporting agencies correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information. For more information about the FCRA, please visit https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/pdf-0096-fair-credit-reporting-act.pdf or www.ftc.gov.

If you find suspicious activity on your credit report, call the credit agency, and your local police or sheriff's office and file a police report of identity theft. Get a copy of the police report. You may need to give copies of the police report to creditors to clear up your records. You may also want to place an extended fraud alert on your file, which will remain on your credit file for seven years.

Even if you do not find any signs of fraud on your credit report, we recommend that you check your credit report periodically. You can call one of the numbers above to order your report and to keep the fraud alert in place.

You also may consider placing a security freeze on your credit reports. A security freeze prohibits a credit reporting agency from releasing any information from a consumer's credit report without written authorization. Credit reporting agencies cannot charge you for placing a security freeze on your credit reports. However, please be aware that placing a security freeze on your credit report may delay, interfere with, or prevent the timely approval of any requests you make for new loans, credit mortgages, employment, housing or other services. For more information on security freezes, including how to place and lift them, you may contact the three nationwide consumer reporting agencies as described above or the Federal Trade Commission as indicated below. As the instructions for establishing a security freeze differ from state to state, please contact the three nationwide consumer reporting agencies for more information. The consumer reporting agencies may require proper identification prior to honoring your request, such as your full name, Social Security number, date of birth, copy of a government-issued identification card (state driver's license or ID card, military identification, etc.), and/or proof of your current and former residential address.

For additional assistance on steps to avoid identity theft including information about fraud alerts and security freezes, you may contact:

Federal Trade Commission

Bureau of Consumer Protection
Division of Privacy and Identity Protection
600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20580
1-877-438-4338

www.consumer.gov/idtheft/

Under Massachusetts law, you have the right to obtain a copy of any police report that is filed regarding an incident. If you are the victim of identity theft, you have the right to file a police report and obtain a copy of it. You also have the right to request a security freeze as described above.

We regret any inconvenience this may cause you. If you have any questions or concerns, please call New York Life at our toll-free number (800) 695-4331.

Sincerely,

The New York Life Service Team



Enter your Activation Code: Enrollment Deadline: July 31, 2022

Equifax Credit Watch™ Gold

*Note: You must be over age 18 with a credit file to take advantage of the product

Key Features

- Credit monitoring with email notifications of key changes to your Equifax credit report
- Daily access to your Equifax credit report
- WebScan notifications¹ when your personal information, such as Social Security Number, credit/debit card
 or bank account numbers are found on fraudulent Internet trading sites
- Automatic fraud alerts², which encourages potential lenders to take extra steps to verify your identity before extending credit, plus blocked inquiry alerts and Equifax credit report lock³
- Identity Restoration to help restore your identity should you become a victim of identity theft, and a dedicated Identity Restoration Specialist to work on your behalf
- Up to \$1,000,000 of identity theft insurance coverage for certain out of pocket expenses resulting from identity theft⁴

Enrollment Instructions

Go to www.equifax.com/activate

Enter your unique Activation Code of the state of then click "Submit" and follow these 4 steps:

1. Register:

Complete the form with your contact information and click "Continue".

If you already have a myEquifax account, click the 'Sign in here' link under the "Let's get started" header.

Once you have successfully signed in, you will skip to the Checkout Page in Step 4

2. Create Account:

Enter your email address, create a password, and accept the terms of use.

3. Verify Identity:

To enroll in your product, we will ask you to complete our identity verification process.

4. Checkout:

Upon successful verification of your identity, you will see the Checkout Page.

Click 'Sign Me Up' to finish enrolling.

You're done!

The confirmation page shows your completed enrollment.

Click "View My Product" to access the product features.

1 WebScan searches for your Social Security Number, up to 5 passport numbers, up to 6 bank account numbers, up to 6 credit/debit card numbers, up to 6 email addresses, and up to 10 medical ID numbers. WebScan searches thousands of Internet sites where consumers' personal information is suspected of being bought and sold, and regularly adds new sites to the list of those it searches. However, the Internet addresses of these suspected Internet trading sites are not published and frequently change, so there is no guarantee that we are able to locate and search every possible Internet site where consumers' personal information is at risk of being traded. The Automatic Fraud Alert feature is made available to consumers by Equifax Information Services LLC and fulfilled on its behalf by Equifax Consumer Services LLC. Socking your Equifax credit report will prevent access to it by certain third parties. Locking your Equifax credit report will not prevent access to your credit report at any other credit reporting agency. Entities that may still have access to your Equifax credit report include: companies like Equifax Global Consumer Solutions, which provide you with access to your credit report or credit score, or monitor your credit report as part of a subscription or similar service; companies that provide you with a copy of your credit report or credit score, upon your request; federal, state and local government agencies and courts in certain circumstances; companies using the information in connection with the underwriting of insurance, or for employment, tenant or background screening purposes; companies that have a current account or relationship with you, and collection agencies acting on behalf of those whom you owe; companies that authenticate a consumer's identity for purposes other than granting credit, or for investigating or preventing actual or potential fraud; and companies that wish to make pre-approved offers of credit or insurance to you. To opt out of such pre-approved offers, visit www.optoutprescre