

**508.9 Mutual companies — conditions.**

1. Level premium and natural premium life insurance companies organized under the laws of this state upon the mutual plan shall, before issuing policies, have actual applications on at least two hundred and fifty lives for an average amount of one thousand dollars each. A list of the applications giving the name, age, residence, amount of insurance, and annual premium of each applicant shall be filed with the commissioner of insurance, and a deposit made with the commissioner of an amount equal to three-fifths of the whole annual premium on the applications, in cash or the securities required by [section 508.5](#). In addition, a deposit of cash or securities of the character provided by law for the investment of funds for life insurance companies in the sum of five million dollars shall be made with the commissioner, which shall constitute a security fund for the protection of policyholders. The contribution to the security fund shall not give to contributors to the fund or to other persons any voting or other power in the management of the affairs of the company. The security fund may be repaid to the contributors to the security fund with interest at six percent from the date of contribution, at any time, in whole or in part, if the repayment does not reduce the surplus of the company below the amount of five million dollars and then only if consent in writing for the repayment is obtained from the commissioner of insurance. Upon compliance with [this section](#), the commissioner shall issue to the mutual company the certificate prescribed in [this chapter](#). A mutual insurance company authorized to do business in Iowa that undergoes a change of control as defined in [chapter 521A](#) shall maintain the minimum surplus requirement mandated by [this section](#).

2. Notwithstanding [subsection 1](#), a mutual insurance company authorized to transact business under [this chapter](#) shall comply with the minimum surplus requirements of [this section](#) or [chapter 521E](#), whichever is greater.

[C73, §1163; C97, §1770; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §8651; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §508.9]

90 Acts, ch 1234, §6; 92 Acts, ch 1162, §4; 95 Acts, ch 185, §8; 96 Acts, ch 1046, §2