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Lottery Check Scam Includes Tower Hill Preferred Name

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Tower Hill Insurance Group was informed about scams that include business checks personalized with the name “Tower Hill Preferred Insurance Company.” Tower Hill is working diligently with national law enforcement to help solve these crimes. We have included common characteristics of one of the scams below for your reference; however, the scenario used in each instance may be different. Please be aware of these scams so that you can avoid becoming one of its next victims.

One scam involves receiving a letter from the “World Lottery Commission,” along with a certificate of award announcing that the recipient has won a substantial amount of money, often \$98,000. Included with the letter and certificate is a watermarked Bank of America check, often in the amount of \$1,998.98, supposedly to cover the cost of fees associated with receiving the lottery funds. The check for \$1,998.98 is personalized with “Tower Hill Preferred Insurance Company” in the upper left-hand corner.

In the scam letter, recipients are instructed to deposit the check for \$1,998.98, and to then immediately wire that amount back to the scam company from their personal bank account. After wiring the funds, the victim’s bank soon realizes that the check is actually fake. However, at that point it is impossible for the individual to retrieve the funds wired from their own account and the victim has just been scammed out of nearly \$2,000.

In the event that you receive a scam letter and check, we urge you to report it to local law enforcement officials immediately. If you are a Tower Hill customer and have questions about the authenticity of a check that you receive from the Tower Hill family of companies, please contact our Customer Service Center at (800) 509-1592 for assistance.

About the Company: Founded in 1972, Tower Hill has grown into one of Florida’s largest writers of residential property insurance. Tower Hill’s offerings are marketed exclusively through our network of independent insurance agencies. The company’s corporate headquarters is located in Gainesville, Florida.

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