When used in the Rules, the following terms shall have the stated meanings:

**ASSIGNED RISK COMPANY (ARC)** means a Member that has been appointed pursuant to the Plan and Rules of Operation to issue Private Passenger Motor Vehicle Insurance policies assigned through the MAIP and is a Servicing Carrier as this term is used in G.L. c. 175, § 113H.

**ASSIGNED RISK COMPANY PROCEDURES MANUAL** means the manual of administrative procedures developed by CAR to provide ARCs with detailed instructions and information needed to perform their MAIP obligations.

**ASSIGNED RISK POLICY** means a Private Passenger Motor Vehicle Insurance policy underwritten by an ARC pursuant to assignment through the Massachusetts Automobile Insurance Plan (MAIP).

**ASSIGNED RISK PRODUCER (ARP)** means any person licensed as a property and casualty insurance producer pursuant to G.L. c. 175, § 162H through § 162X inclusive, that has completed the MAIP requirements and has been certified by the Governing Committee or its designee to immediately submit Private Passenger Motor Vehicle Insurance policies for placement through the MAIP with an ARC.

**ASSIGNED RISK PRODUCER PROCEDURES MANUAL** means the manual of administrative procedures developed by CAR to provide ARPs with detailed information needed to perform their MAIP obligations.

**CAR** means Commonwealth Automobile Reinsurers.

**CAR (car) YEAR OF EXPOSURE** means one car insured for 12 months.

**COMMISSIONER** means the Commissioner of Insurance of Massachusetts.

**ELIGIBLE RISK** means any person who qualifies for a Private Passenger Motor Vehicle Insurance policy under the provisions of G.L. c.175, § 113H excluding Antique Motor Vehicles pursuant to G.L. c.175, § 113U.

**GOVERNING COMMITTEE** means the committee required by G.L. c. 175, § 113H(B).
HOUSEHOLD MEMBER means anyone living in a person’s household at a single residence who is related to that person by blood, marriage, or adoption. This includes wards, stepchildren or foster children.

INACTIVE MEMBER means any insurer which is licensed to write Private Passenger Motor Vehicle Insurance policies or bonds in Massachusetts, but which did not, in fact, issue any Private Passenger Motor Vehicle Insurance policies or bonds in Massachusetts voluntarily during the most recent calendar year and which is not the issuing company on any outstanding Massachusetts Private Passenger Motor Vehicle Insurance policies or bonds.

LIMITED ASSIGNMENT DISTRIBUTION AGREEMENT (LADA) means a contract between an ARC and another Member under which the Member transfers its obligation to provide Private Passenger Motor Vehicle Insurance policies to risks assigned to it through the MAIP to the ARC and the ARC agrees to assume liability for and service all of the Member’s MAIP assignments in exchange for a negotiated fee.

MAIP means the Massachusetts Automobile Insurance Plan. The MAIP is the mechanism by which Eligible Risks who are unable to obtain voluntary coverage are assigned to a Member for the purpose of obtaining Private Passenger Motor Vehicle Insurance coverage, and by which such risks are distributed equitably based upon each Member’s Quota Share.

MEMBER means any insurer which is licensed to write Private Passenger Motor Vehicle Insurance policies or bonds in Massachusetts and which does not qualify for inactive membership status. Groups of companies under the same ownership and management will be treated as a single Member. Groups of companies under either the same ownership or management, but not both, may elect to be treated either separately or as a single Member.

MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE means direct insurance against injury or damage, including the legal liability arising out of the ownership, operation, maintenance or use of motor vehicles, including but not limited to bodily injury liability insurance, personal injury protection insurance, property damage liability insurance, physical damage insurance, medical payments insurance, uninsured/underinsured motorists insurance and towing and labor insurance.
NEWLY WRITING COMPANY means any Member which did not provide physical damage and/or liability coverage under a Private Passenger Motor Vehicle Insurance policy in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in the 12 consecutive calendar months preceding the calendar date on which the Member’s initial Private Passenger Motor Vehicle Insurance rates and rate manual became effective.

PERSON means every natural person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, government or agency.

PLAN OF OPERATION or PLAN means the CAR Plan of Operation.

PRIVATE PASSENGER MOTOR VEHICLE means those vehicles as defined in a Massachusetts Private Passenger Automobile Insurance Manual on file with the Commissioner.

QUOTA SHARE means the volume of business assignable through the MAIP to a Member that qualifies to be appointed as an ARC pursuant to Rule 30.

RULES OF OPERATION or RULES or RULE means the CAR Rules of Operation of the MAIP or a Rule of the MAIP.