



## Italian Earthquake – Crawford<sup>®</sup> ready to respond

At 02:36 local time on 24 August, a magnitude 6.2 earthquake struck the central Italian region 11km from Norcia PG. At the time of writing Italian media was reporting that the damage had tragically led to the deaths of at least 37 people with the figure expected to rise further.

Scenes of devastation have emerged this morning (Wednesday) as a number of small towns about 50 miles south of Perugia and in same region as the earthquake in 2009 which centred on L'Aquila, suffered heavy damage.

The towns of Amatrice and Accumoli have been particularly badly damaged, with the local Mayor telling reporters of widespread devastation and further reports of tremors being felt as far away as Rome.

The affected area and intensity of the earthquake can be viewed via this link -

<http://shakemap.rm.ingv.it/shake/7073641/intensity.html>

Crawford Italy's property claims specialists and Global Technical Services™ teams are on standby as the rescue commenced and we will be contacting all potentially affected carriers today to begin the claims process where possible.

Unfortunately, Italian homeowners' insurance covers typically exclude earthquake damage and it is also not provided on many commercial covers. If, as expected the damage is picked up by municipal and government authorities, we anticipate there will be some coordination required and will update carriers on our progress in this regard.

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Crawford Italy's Country Manager Paul Ogni said: "Obviously it is very early in the process and we must await the efforts of emergency services who are on hand to protect the lives of citizens in the region. Crawford has extensive experience supporting Italian insurers and municipalities after the earthquakes of L'Aquila in 2009 and Pianura Padana Emiliana in 2012 with resources available across the country."

If you have claims that require our attention or need more information on this event, please contact any of the Crawford team members listed.

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