

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported) August 8, 2018

AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	001-33143	04-3106389
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

59 Maiden Lane, 43 rd Floor, New York, New York	10038
(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (212) 220-7120

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.133-4 (c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter)

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

In 2007, AmTrust Financial Services, Inc. (the “Company”) and Maiden Holdings, Ltd. (“Maiden”) entered into a master agreement, as amended, by which the parties caused the Company’s Bermuda subsidiary, AmTrust International Insurance, Ltd. (“AII”), and Maiden Reinsurance Ltd., a Bermuda reinsurer and wholly-owned subsidiary of Maiden (“Maiden Reinsurance”), to enter into a quota share reinsurance agreement (the “Maiden Quota Share”), as amended. On August 8, 2018, after receipt of approval from each of the Company’s and Maiden’s Audit Committee, AII and Maiden Reinsurance executed an amendment to the Maiden Quota Share that reduces the notice period for termination of the Maiden Quota Share by either party from nine months to five months prior to July 1, 2019. The notice period for termination for any successive three-year period remains nine months.

The description of the amendment is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the amendment, which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
10.1	Endorsement No.4 to the Amended and Restated Quota Share Reinsurance Agreement, dated August 8, 2018, between AmTrust International Insurance, Ltd. and Maiden Reinsurance Ltd.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.

(Registrant)

Date August 9, 2018

/s/ Stephen Ungar

Stephen Ungar

SVP, General Counsel and Secretary

ENDORSEMENT NO. 4

to the

**AMENDED AND RESTATED
QUOTA SHARE REINSURANCE AGREEMENT**
(hereinafter referred to as the “Agreement”)

between

AMTRUST INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE, LTD.

Hamilton, Bermuda
(hereinafter referred to as the “Company”)

and

MAIDEN REINSURANCE LTD.

Hamilton, Bermuda
(hereinafter referred to as the “Reinsurer”)

IT IS HEREBY AGREED, effective 12:01 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, July 31, 2018, Paragraph A. of Article XXI – TERM AND TERMINATION shall be deleted in its entirety and the following substituted therefor:

- A. This Agreement shall remain in effect until July 1, 2019, and shall automatically renew for successive three-year periods thereafter, unless the Reinsurer or Company elects to terminate this Agreement effective as of July 1, 2019 or as of the expiration of any successive three-year period. If the Reinsurer or Company elects to so terminate this Agreement, it shall give written notice to the other party hereto not less than five months prior to July 1, 2019 or not less than nine months prior to the expiration of any successive three-year period.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto, by their respective duly authorized officers, have executed this ENDORSEMENT NO. 4 to the Agreement as of the dates recorded below:

AMTRUST INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE, LTD.

By: /s/ Chris Souter

Name: Chris Souter

Title: Director, CFO & Assistant Secretary

Dated: 8 August 2018

MAIDEN REINSURANCE LTD.

By: /s/ Patrick J. Haveron

Name: Patrick J. Haveron

Title: President, Maiden Reinsurance Ltd.

Dated: August 8, 2018