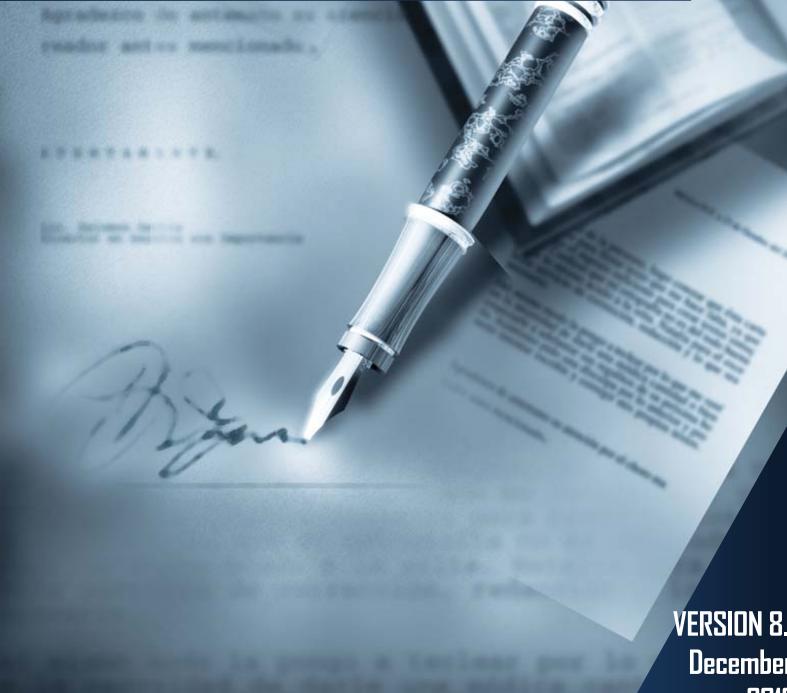


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#### **FOREWORD**

The purpose of this manual is to serve as a guide in developing proper insurance requirements in contracts. This manual explains how to establish insurance requirements for most contracts, including those with contractors, professional service providers, tenants, vendors, and users of public property, and how to verify their compliance with those requirements during the term of the contract.

It should be noted, however, that risk management is more of an art than a science, and therefore, although this manual will provide guidance in 90% of the cases encountered by the user, there will also be exceptions to the rules contained herein. If the user encounters situations that fall outside of the manual's recommendations, the user should contact its insurance and legal advisors.

This edition has undergone extensive revisions to eliminate older insurance forms and to condense the material to make it easier for those without an insurance background to access and implement the recommendations. This includes a "basics" section that describes each element of the insurance requirements and provides a single set of specifications that can be used for most contracts. Instructions for the contractor and insurance agent or broker have also been included to make it easier for the contract administrator to request and receive the required coverage.

Another major change is the elimination of most of the customized forms for public agencies. One of the proposed techniques of earlier editions was to request that insurers execute certificates and endorsement forms provided by the public entity. The obvious benefit of this approach is that the public entity knows that it is receiving the coverage it is looking for if the exact endorsement is provided. However, because many insurance forms require prior approval by state regulators, many insurers refused to use custom entity-designed endorsements, and it is no longer practical to obtain them. Also, most of the terms of the insurance requirements have been incorporated within standard insurance forms, lessening the need to spell out specific requirements. The manual does provide a single-page sample endorsement for comparison with industry forms as well as samples of insurer endorsements that provide the recommended coverage.

Despite these improvements, the editors recommend that you use the specifications that spell out the form numbers and key terms described in this manual. Some insurers use custom policy documents, and we suggest that you compare the language in those documents to the specifications to verify that you are receiving the recommended coverage.

This manual contains sample standard Insurance Service Office (ISO) industry forms for reference. Occasionally, new editions of these forms are released. These new editions may broaden coverage, but they may also restrict coverage from the previous edition. An attempt is made in each successive version of this manual to include any updated forms, as well as comments on the changes made to old editions, and recommendations on which forms to use. Though a new edition is released, insurance companies may continue to use older editions of these forms. It is, therefore, important that the user check the edition date of the form supplied by contractors, tenants, vendors and users of public property, and/or their agents and brokers. The edition date can usually be found in the lower left-hand corner of the form, following the form number.



This edition contains a review of significant updates to the ISO Commercial General Liability form and related Additional Insured endorsement forms, released April 2013. The impact of some of these changes can be significant and are wide ranging. While every attempt is made to present these changes in a concise manner, we strongly encourage you to review with your Legal and Risk Management staff the implications of these changes to your agency. Non-insurance sections of the contract are also very important to the risk management process. Normally, the "Indemnification" and "Scope of Work" sections should be reviewed for unusual language or risky activities. If the contractor's insurance does not meet the requirements under the contract, it is the contractor's responsibility to obtain the necessary coverage to satisfy its agreement with your Entity.

Insurance is only one way that the contractor can fulfill its financial responsibilities to your Entity. There should also always be a section in the contract that states that the lack of insurance does not negate the contractor's obligations under the contract. As Alliant is not a law firm, we recommend that users of this manual consult with its own insurance professionals or legal counsel for specific language for this section's wording. Make sure your indemnity language is strong, and if the contractor does not carry sufficient or correct insurance to cover its obligations to your Entity, make certain it does have the assets to indemnify the Entity for those uninsured or underinsured areas of risk.

Finally, a section is included containing the most commonly asked questions from manual users over the years. We have included this section as a resource for the user, to illustrate that risk management is not always a simple process, and to encourage the user to contact its insurance advisor when encountering an "outside the box" situation.

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Most importantly, this manual represents the issues encountered by its users, and their feedback continues to be vital in keeping the material up-to-date and useful. We encourage you to contact your insurance or risk management consultant for advice as needed and send questions and suggestions for future editions of this manual to Marcus Beverly at <a href="marcusbeverly@yahoo.com">marcusbeverly@yahoo.com</a>, or to Dan Howell at <a href="marcusbeverly@yahoo.com">dhowell@alliant.com</a>.



### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

The following questions represent those most often asked by users of this manual. If you have questions that are not answered by this section, please do not hesitate to contact your Alliant Account Administrator. As you can see by reviewing the following section, we all learn through the process of thoughtfully examining the risk management process.

# 1. If a lessee or contractor is a large one, do I still need to insist on the insurance requirements?

**Yes**; you normally have no way of verifying that their assets are sufficient for losses that might occur, whereas you could be confident in an insurance carrier with a quality A.M. Best Rating.

### 2. Is it all right if the contractor alters the indemnification language?

**No**; indemnification language is carefully worded to afford your Entity as much protection as legally possible, and usually the exact language has been tested in court. Altering the language would weaken your Entity's protection and should only be undertaken on advice of your legal counsel.

# 3. Can we require an A.M. Best Rating for a company that is "admitted" in California, or is this against the law?

**Yes**; unless the company is providing a surety bond. State law requires owners to accept surety bonds from any surety company, in an effort to improve small firm contractors' chances in successfully bidding a job. If it is a federally approved surety company, you are obligated to accept the surety company. This can be reviewed on the web at <a href="http://www.fms.treas.gov/c570/index.html">http://www.fms.treas.gov/c570/index.html</a>

Remember, just because an insurance company is "admitted" does not ensure that they have the financial strength designation required by your contract.

# 4. Why should we ask for property insurance on tenants' improvements and betterments, instead of just adding them to our property insurance policy?

Unless the lease specifically states that your Entity gains ownership of these improvements as soon as they are installed, your Entity has no insurable interest in them; and, therefore, you usually cannot insure them under your policy.

# 5. If the contractor's insurance does not meet the criteria in our insurance requirement specifications, should we alter the requirements to fit the contractor's insurance?

**No**; the insurance requirements language has been carefully worded to afford your Entity as much protection as possible, and it has been tested in court. Altering the language would usually weaken your Entity's protection. It is not the responsibility of your Entity to tailor your requirements to what the contractor has; rather, the contractor should procure insurance to meet your specifications and truly, you are doing the contractor a favor in showing it the proper coverage needed in order to protect its business.



### 6. Does the "edition date" on the suggested ISO endorsements matter?

**Yes**; there have been significant reductions in the coverage afforded to additional insureds by "updated" versions of these endorsements. A further discussion regarding these changes is contained in the section of this manual describing endorsements.

# 7. If the agent or broker changes the word "endeavor" to "will provide" in the notification section of the certificate of insurance, are we okay?

**No**; Certificates of insurance DO NOT alter the insurance coverage, and any changes that are necessary need to be endorsed onto the policy with a copy of the endorsement provided to your Entity. Agents and brokers will sometimes try to convince you that endorsements are unnecessary when the certificate has its standard wording changed; if so, you need to point out the box in the upper right hand corner of the certificate, which states that it DOES NOT amend or alter the insurance.

To ensure that the burden is on the insurance company to notify you of a change in status of coverage, you must receive an endorsement to this effect. Being named as an "additional insured" obligates the insurer to inform you of any status change in the policy.

Prior editions of this manual have suggested requiring notice of cancellation or coverage changes with 30 days' notice by USPS registered mail with a return receipt. This approach does not seem feasible in the current environment of electronic communications and express mail services. Moreover, some insurers refuse to take on this obligation and, in some states, the cancellation requirements are stronger. Many risk managers are now requiring that the contractor take on this responsibility. While this may be allowing the "fox to guard the henhouse", mid-term cancellations and reductions of coverage are so rare as to make the value of this term less important. If a contract involves a risk so substantial that the risk of cancellation or coverage reduction is heightened, a project specific policy with the Entity as an Additional Insured may be warranted.

NOTE: The latest edition of the standard certificate of insurance form now reads that "notice of cancellation will be provided in accordance with policy terms and conditions".

# 8. Can lower limits be permitted when we are dealing with small contractors or artisans, and we are only using them for small jobs?

**Yes**; there are some very small vendors or artisans that may provide a service to your Entity and the cost of obtaining standard limits may not be possible. You should always evaluate the potential of loss, potential benefit to the organization for the service provided and finally, the vendor's financial capacity to purchase coverage at reasonable rates. The dollar amount of an agreement would never be the sole determining factor on the insurance, however.

# 9. The contractor's agent says that we cannot get the endorsements as required by the Insurance Requirements in Contracts specifications; what can we do?

In many instances, the agent or broker has not approached the insurance company with your request – the agent or broker is merely trying to discourage you from asking so that it will not have to bother. We recommend contacting the broker or agent directly. By informing the agent or broker of the needs and requirements of your Entity, he or she will typically provide



you with the necessary endorsements required by your Entity. If this tactic does not work, please call an insurance advisor for confirmation of the unavailability of endorsements from the contractor's company.

Note that some states, California among them, now require prior approval of all insurance policy and endorsement forms by the Department of Insurance. Therefore, use of custom endorsements may not be practical. In these situations, we recommend that the Entity work with its insurance advisor and the contractor to determine what forms are available to obtain the desired coverage.

### 10. Do we need and additional insured endorsement on an automobile liability policy?

An additional insured endorsement is no longer required on most business auto policies because the standard ISO forms now include coverage for "anyone held liable for the conduct of an insured is also considered an insured". Many times general and auto liability coverage are issued on a package policy and the additional insured endorsement can apply to all coverages.

#### 11. How do we determine the proper limits of liability for any given job?

Ask yourself how much damage the contractor could cause if it completely mismanaged its work causing bodily injury and property damage to others. Include in your estimate, lost time, wages, extra expense incurred for repairing or replacing the work, and any future impacts. If this amount is more than the suggested amounts shown in the specifications in this manual, use the greater amount.

The editors have increased the standard requested limits of General Liability to \$5 million for contracts with construction risks and to \$2 million for other contracts. The Risk Manager will need to evaluate whether contracts require the suggested limits or a different amount. A major capital outlay project may require even higher limits. And, some smaller contracts such facilities use agreements may not merit \$2 million, and a lesser amount may suffice. We have not increased the amount of auto liability limits because the business auto policy does not have an annual aggregate which means that the Entity need not be concerned about depletion of limits by other additional insureds, however, a catastrophic loss may prove \$1 million of limits inadequate. A contract involving charter transportation could very well merit a \$5 million limit or higher.

# 12. Can we accept an insurer with less than an A.M. Best Rating A: VII or Standard & Poor's BBB?

Yes; but keep in mind that the rating gives your Entity some confidence in that insurer's ability to cover all of its claim liabilities, including your potential claim. By accepting lower A.M. Best or Standard & Poor's ratings, you are exposing your Entity to the possibility that the insurer will be unable to pay any claim you or a third party may present. As an aside, major insurance brokers and agents also insist on placing clients in companies with high A.M. Best and Standard & Poor's ratings, as a way of protecting themselves against potential E&O claims from their clients.



#### 13. How do we discover what the rating of an insurer is?

A.M. Best ratings can be accessed over the internet for no cost at <a href="www.ambest.com">www.ambest.com</a>. Go to the "Member Center" of the website to register for access to the ratings.

You also can go to the Standard & Poor's website to obtain the rating of a specific insurance company. You must register for access, although this is free of charge. Go to <a href="https://www.standardandpoors.com">www.standardandpoors.com</a> and look for a "Find a Rating" link in the margin or header.

#### 14. What do the A.M. Best or Standard & Poor's Ratings mean?

See Chapter Two, page 25, for a discussion of this question. Simply, the Standard & Poor's or A.M. Best ratings give your Entity a sense of the financial strength of the insurance company that is insuring the contractor.

#### 15. Does a contractor need professional liability coverage?

A contractor needs professional liability coverage if expected under contract to provide "professional" services. The simplest way to decide is to determine whether the nature of the services provided entail "brain work" or "physical work". If it is only physical work, then a liability policy, general and/or automobile will most likely cover all your exposures to loss. However, if the work or a portion of the work is expected to involve the use of professional knowledge, professional liability insurance is required. As an example, if a contractor is merely following blueprints in constructing a building, it would involve only physical work and a general liability policy will suffice. However, if the contractor is a "design-build" firm, or decides that it knows of a better way to construct part of the building, and it alters the blueprints accordingly, then it has crossed the line over into providing "professional" service and would then need professional liability coverage to cover a subsequent loss.

# 16. How long of a period of time do we require the claims-made professional liability insurance to be carried after completion of the project?

A "claims-made" coverage will only respond to a claim that is presented while the policy is in force or during an extended reporting provision. Therefore, it is imperative that your Entity be protected as long as possible after the completion of the project, so that any claims caused by faulty design or other professional services (see Question 15) will be covered by the responsible party. Keep in mind your regular liability policy will not cover professional liability losses, and therefore your contractor may be bare in the event of a claim arising out of professional services rendered on the project. Normally, professional liability policies can be purchased with a three year "tail" (reporting period), which will allow claims to be presented up to three years after the professional liability policy expires. If you can get a longer tail in your contract, do so.

### 17. Does a contractor need proof of automobile liability when hired to work on the premises?

Yes; for the simple reason that the contractor has to use some means of transportation to reach your premises, and to transport tools, supplies, and materials. If the contractor is determined to be engaged in business on your Entity's behalf when it is involved in an automobile accident, then your Entity may be held liable. Further, since owners of vehicles are required to carry insurance anyway, this requirement carries little burden to the contractor.



# 18. Should we ask to be named as an additional insured on the contractor's professional liability policy?

**No**; the contractor's professional liability insurer will not comply with such a request. The reason is that the insurer does not want to pick up your Entity's professional liability hazards, which it would do if you were an additional insured. Professional liability policies are specifically underwritten based on the professional history of the contractor. A contractor's insurer is not interested in underwriting your Entity's professional risk, and therefore will not add your Entity as an additional insured on the contractor's policy.

### 19. What can be done if we don't have the proof of insurance when it is time to start the work?

There is very little that can be done at this point in the process, which is why we recommend that the insurance specifications be sent out with the pre-bid package. There are no good choices when this situation occurs; either you must delay the work while you wait for the proof, or you must take some risk until the proof is received, and hope that the contractor's insurance meets your specifications.

### 20. Why can't we accept a certificate of insurance as proof of the Entity being named as an additional insured?

In the upper right-hand corner of the ACORD Certificate of Insurance are the following words:

This certificate is issued as a matter of information only and confers no rights upon the certificate holder. This certificate does not amend, extend or alter the coverage afforded by the policy below.

If any agent or broker tries to convince you that the certificate truly does confer rights or coverages, and that you therefore do not need the endorsements you are requesting (and some will) you can direct their attention to this statement.

# 21. Why do we need an indemnity clause in our contract when we are added as an additional insured on the liability policy?

Insurance is only one way that the contractor can financially guarantee its liabilities. If you have an indemnity provision in your contract with the contractor, that contractor is obligated to indemnify your Entity whether or not its insurance covers the loss. This puts the burden on the contractor rather than your Entity to make certain that its coverage is sufficient and current. Therefore, make sure your indemnity language is strong, and that if the contractor does not carry sufficient or correct insurance to cover their obligations to your Entity, it does have the assets to indemnify those uninsured or underinsured exposures.

In fact, the written indemnity clause in the contract is the real trigger for coverage as your contract, under normal circumstances, is an "Insured Contract" as defined under the Commercial General Liability policy (CGL). The CGL confers automatic coverage for "Insured Contracts," but the Entity must have a written contract containing indemnity language in your favor prior to the loss in order to trigger coverage. As a result, the indemnity clause is crucial to trigger coverage.



#### 22. Should we ask for a waiver of subrogation from the contractor's insurer?

In the case of workers' compensation and property insurers **yes**; if your Entity does not do so, the contractor's insurance company can look to your Entity to reimburse any claims cost that they have incurred defending or indemnifying its insured on your project when there is contributory negligence by your entity in the loss. "Subrogation" is the transfer to the insurance company of the contractor's right to collect for damages from another party, in this case, your Entity.

In the case of liability insurers **no**; but this is true only if your Entity is named as an "additional insured" on the contractor's liability policy. Current case law holds that it is against public policy to allow an insurer to subrogate against its own insured, even an "additional insured." As long as your Entity is diligent in securing and confirming its additional insured status (by insisting on receiving a copy of the additional insured endorsement), there is no reason to require a waiver of subrogation on a liability policy.

Editor's note: the phrase "waiver of subrogation" is no longer used in the ISO Commercial General Liability form; rather the phrase "Transfer of Rights of Recovery against Others to Us" is now used. While the editors normally favor using the current industry language rather than historical legal terms, in this case we believe "waiver of subrogation" remains the best way to communicate to contractors and the legal community the intent of the agreement.

### 23. If a hold harmless agreement is not necessarily legally binding, why do we need to include it?

A hold harmless agreement usually does not relieve your Entity of legal liability for your Entity's own negligence, but it does relieve your Entity of legal obligations arising out of the contractor's negligence. Without the hold-harmless agreement, your Entity's ability to be protected by your additional insured status is weakened.

#### 24. Should we require bonds in contracts that are not construction related?

Yes; there are a number of situations when your Entity may want to require bonds. You may want to consider bonds when dealing with certain types of vendors, such as vendors that provide personalized products such as customized information systems, those that supply specific equipment designed and built for your Entity or vendors that provide specific services for your Entity. Although bonds may not be required on all vendor agreements, it is important to understand how they may save your Entity in the event that the vendor fails to deliver or lacks the funding to finish its project.

# 25. Should we require that contractors provide proof of terrorism coverage in their insurance programs?

**Maybe**; the Federal Government has mandated that all insurers offer coverage for "terrorist acts" for an additional premium. Though this coverage is currently available, many insureds are declining it due to the additional cost. It is unclear to what extent a contractor could be responsible for any act of terrorism that occurs while performing tasks for your Entity. You may consider the coverage on construction projects which may be impacted as a result of a terrorist attack. As with any exposure, you must identify the potential for risk. If the project



is politically sensitive or considered highly visible, the inclusion of terrorism coverage may be necessary.

# 26. What do I do if my contractor states that they are self-insured for liability, auto, and workers' compensation, and they cannot provide a certificate of insurance?

In the State of California, organizations that are self-insured for workers' compensation must have a Certificate of Consent to Self-Insure issued by the State of California Department of Industrial Relations. They must also have authorization from the State to self-insure their auto exposure, but this is not the case for general liability. First, obtain copies of their documents granting them the authority to self-insure for workers compensation and automobile liability. Second, obtain a letter from the contractor that clearly states all of the requirements in your agreement apply to their self insurance. Next, you will need to confirm that the contractor has assets available to cover any losses in the event they occur. This would normally include the review of their independently audited financial statements. Finally, you may require the contractor to issue a bond or a letter of credit to your Entity in an amount necessary to cover any losses.

# 27. The contractor states that he is a sole proprietor and does not carry workers' compensation insurance as he has no employees, is this acceptable?

**Yes**; many contractors are either sole proprietors or partnerships. You should receive a letter from the contractor stating they are either the owner of the organization or a partner, and are exempt from the State's workers' compensation requirements because they have no employees.

### 28. Should I require wet signatures on endorsements to policies?

It depends. If an endorsement is issued and delivered as a part of the policy it does not need a signature as the complete policy was signed off by an authorized representative when it was issued. Usually there is a schedule of endorsements attached to the signed Declarations page and if your endorsement is listed on that schedule then it was a part of the policy at issuance and does not need a signature. Mid-term endorsements should be signed to confirm that an authorized representative has agreed to the policy change. Keep in mind that all of this effort is intended to raise your confidence that the insurer has agreed to provide the required coverage, rather than an unauthorized intermediary. Indeed, you could next require that the signatory prove that he or she is authorized – which you might do if the signatory is a retail broker or agent, rather than a company underwriter or delegated managing general underwriter. At some point, it is reasonable to assume that the people who are issuing documents to you have the authority to do so.

# 29. The ISO released an update to the CGL form in April of 2013, CG 00 01 04 13, and a number of Additional Insured endorsements. What are the important changes and what impact do they have?

The significant changes are found in the Additional Insured endorsements section, the most relevant of which for the purpose of this manual are forms CG 20 10, CG 20 37, CG 20 33, and CG 20 38. Included is language that states:



- The coverage available shall not be broader than coverage that is required by the contract
- The limits available to the Additional Insured shall not exceed what is required by the contract
- The insurance afforded to the Additional Insured only applies to the extent permitted by law

A more thorough discussion of the new CGL Additional Insured Endorsements is found in a separate section beginning on page 81. Copies of the new forms can are in the Exhibit section of this manual.

#### 30. What is the purpose of the new Additional Insured endorsement, CG 20 38?

CG 20 38 is a new Additional Insured endorsement that provides coverage for parties who may not be in direct privity of contract but are required by contract to be included as AI. For example if a Sub Contractor is required by a General Contractor to add the Owner as AI, then coverage is available to the Owner even though no contract exists between the Owner and the Sub.

The intent of this endorsement is to provide pass through language that extends coverage to the owner of a project in the case where a sub-contractor is performing work on the project, but may not have a written contract or agreement in place directly with the owner. The key element here is to make sure your contracts require that anyone performing work for your entity must add upstream parties as additional insureds using CG 20 38, or broader coverage.

# 31. How can my entity make sure that we have access to the limits of insurance carried by our contractors?

The recommended insurance requirements of this manual have long recommended language that states that the required limits are a minimum. We are reinforcing this language throughout the manual with the addition of the following shown in bold and italics here:

"If the contractor maintains higher limits than the minimums shown above, the Entity requires and shall be entitled to coverage for the higher limits maintained by the contractor. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the Entity".



### **Introduction - Why Bother?**

Let's face it, dealing with indemnity and insurance requirements can be tedious. No one likes to haggle about the terms of a contract or worry about whether a contractor has provided the correct insurance. Requesting, obtaining, and verifying insurance for contracted goods and services takes time, can be aggravating, and most often doesn't seem to make any difference, since most contracts are completed without incident. However, when an incident occurs, all of those efforts become worth it. Public entities and businesses have saved millions of dollars by successfully tendering claims or suits arising from contracted goods or services, from the largest public works projects to the smallest service contracts.

The reasons for including a strong indemnification clause in your contracts and requiring insurance coverage include:

- Your entity can be held liable for damages caused by your contractors
- You should be able to rely on the contractor's expertise to do the job safely, and if it doesn't, it should pay for the consequences
- Responsibility encourages safety on the part of the contractor
- Risk is placed upon those best able to control the work
- You have a source for payment of claims against your entity
- Maintaining your own project or entity budget
- Maintaining your own good loss history and lower insurance costs

And remember, it is never a good thing to be the one responsible for costing your agency the significant expense of a large claim that could have been tendered to your contractor and paid by its insurance company. So, while it may be tempting to ignore the indemnity and insurance requirements in your contracts and accept whatever the contractor sends you as proof of insurance, consider it a required measure of due diligence that could result in significant savings for your entity.



### CHAPTER ONE: CONTRACTUAL RISK TRANSFER – THE BASICS

#### **SUMMARY**

This chapter describes the basic steps in administering insurance clauses in contracts where the other party is required to provide insurance to protect your Entity, its officials, employees and volunteers. The five basic steps are:

- 1. Analyze the Risks and Relationships
- 2. Use a Hold Harmless (Indemnity) Agreement
- 3. Select the Appropriate Insurance Specifications
- 4. Verify Insurance Coverage
- 5. Report Claims Promptly

In the practice of good risk management, your Entity should attempt to transfer the risk of accidental loss accruing through its contractual relationships. Usually, your Entity will require the other party to a contract (contractor) to assume your Entity's liability arising out of the contractor's negligent delivery of products, services, or activities. This transfer generally is appropriate, as the contractor is most often the party in the best position to control loss.

This intended transfer of risk is achieved by requiring suppliers, contractors, tenants, and users of public facilities (i.e. the other party to most Entity contracts) to hold your entity harmless in an indemnification agreement arising from their products, activities, or use of your facilities. The best way to assure that the transfer actually takes place (i.e. that a loss will be paid by someone other than your Entity) is to require a strong indemnity agreement and insurance appropriate in the contract for goods or services. In addition to protecting the contractor, the insurance should also protect the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers.

This section is intended to give users a brief overview of the contractual risk transfer process and a set of insurance specifications that will apply to most situations. Many users will find that this section provides all the tools they need. Each step of the process is discussed in more detail in the following sections, including additional specifications for certain types of contracts, sample insurance forms, checklists, and references for additional resources.

#### **Contractual Risk Transfer - The Steps**

- 1. Analyze the Risks & Relationships
- 2. Use a Hold Harmless (Indemnity) Agreement
- 3. Select the Proper Insurance Requirements
- 4. Verify Coverage
- 5. Report Claims Promptly



#### **Step 1: Analyze the Risks and Relationships**

Review the scope of work, persons capable of completing it successfully, and the relationship that person will have with your entity. Pay special attention to the scope of work. Is it sufficient to describe the work to be performed, especially in case of a dispute as to who was responsible for certain duties, such as maintenance? Make sure you understand what is to be accomplished based on what is written in the scope.

Step back and think about the objectives to be accomplished and ask "What could go wrong?" What are the critical steps in completing your objectives? Is the contractor qualified? Focus on the risks and remember each situation is unique. The risks and your options for managing them will vary. It's worth the time to learn as much as you can about the work, the contractor, and the risks involved to develop the best ways to protect your entity and avoid wasting your efforts on requirements that aren't needed or won't be effective.

It's a mistake to think that a contract for a small job or service carries with it a small risk of loss, but contract managers often don't pay as much attention to the risks inherent in smaller contracts. Some contracted services do carry more risks; even the smallest job has the potential for catastrophe. For this section, we are assuming the typical kinds of risks for most contracted services, such as professional services, maintenance agreements, and other contracted work performed for your entity, with the exception of construction contracts. Please see Chapter 3 for more details regarding construction projects and Chapter 4 for a discussion of other special types of situations.

Appendix A, "Risk Assessment", has more information about identifying and prioritizing risks, including common questions to ask and references for conducting risk assessments, the first step in the risk management process.

#### **Step 2: Use a Hold Harmless**

Your contracts should contain a Hold Harmless (Indemnity) agreement that includes an obligation to defend your entity (including employees, officials, agents, etc.) and is meant to be interpreted as broadly as possible in your favor. Hold Harmless is language that shifts responsibility for loss or damage arising from the activities of a contract from one party (your entity) to the other (the contractor). Remember, in performing services for you, the contractor is acting as your agent, and any damages it causes while performing work on your behalf can be collected against you. "Hold Harmless" language allows you to tender the claim of the damaged third party to the contractor for defense and indemnity by the contractor or their insurer.

Good Hold Harmless language for most contracts (with the key terms in bold) reads as follows:

<u>Hold harmless</u>: to the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall **hold harmless**, **defend** at its own expense, **and indemnify Entity** its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers, **against any and all** liability, **claims**, losses, damages, or expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, **arising from all acts or omissions to act of contractor or its** officers, **agents**, or employees in rendering services under this contract; **excluding**, however, such liability, **claims**, losses, damages, or expenses **arising from Entity's sole negligence or willful acts.** 

It is preferable to use your own contract form with language that has been drafted by your attorney, but at times you may have to accept someone else's form or negotiate the terms of



your Hold Harmless with the prospective contractor. If you do have to make changes or accept another form, always have your attorney review and approve any language before you sign.

Sometimes your options are limited, and some service providers work very hard to limit their obligations. There are limits to the extent to which you may be held harmless, and there are two special restrictions for public entities, for construction and design professional contracts, that are discussed in more detail in Appendix C. That section also contains a good waiver for participants in sporting or volunteer activities.

#### **Step 3: Select the Appropriate Insurance Specifications**

A Hold Harmless is the Contractor's promise to pay for claims caused, in whole or in part, from its activities. Requiring insurance helps to ensure the contractor will have the money to deliver on that promise. Therefore, it's important to require insurance of the proper type and in sufficient amounts to protect your entity.

It's also important to inform contractors of the insurance requirements early in the contract or bid process. This accomplishes two goals. First, it eliminates any questions that the bidder may have about the nature of the required insurance. Second, the bidder has the opportunity to forward the forms to its insurer or agent for approval before the bid is submitted, thus eliminating delay or the submission of unacceptable insurance documents after the contract or bid is awarded.

To make this process easier, we suggest including the insurance specifications as an appendix or attachment to the contract, with a reference to them in contract itself. In Chapter Two we have also provided a sample set of instructions for the contractor and agent, including a description of the contracted work or service, the applicable dates coverage is required, and space for any special instructions.

#### Sample contract language for insurance requirements:

<u>INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS</u>. Contractor agrees to have and maintain the policies set forth in <u>Exhibit A</u> entitled "INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS," which is attached hereto and incorporated herein. All policies, endorsements, certificates, and/or binders shall be subject to approval by the Entity as to form and content. These requirements are subject to amendment or waiver only if so approved in writing by the Entity. A lapse in any required insurance coverage during this Agreement shall be a breach of this Agreement.

**Basic Insurance Specifications** – the end of this Chapter contains a set of Insurance Requirements for Most Contracts that can be used for most contracts. The professional liability (E&O) insurance can be waived or deleted if the contract does not involve professional services. The specifications (specs) contain a note for the contract administrator's reference to help decide if professional liability insurance is needed.

For construction and environmental services contracts please see Chapter Three for a complete set of specs and explanation. Chapter Four contains specifications for other types of special situations, including contracts with private individuals, cyber risks, instructors and special events. The rest of this section provides an explanation of the requirements for most contracts. Links are provided to the language in the requirements for key terms so you can review them along with the explanation.



For commercial contracts, the types of insurance regularly required are:

- Commercial General Liability (CGL) fundamental coverage for bodily injury, property damage, and personal injury arising from the contractor's activities.
- Business Auto Coverage Form (CA 00 01) important for any work or service involving the use of motor vehicles, and a legal requirement for all vehicle owners.
- Workers' Compensation (WC) & Employers Liability (EL) all employers must provide this insurance or be registered as a Self-Insured entity with the State. This is not required for sole proprietors or companies that have no employees, typically professional partnerships that use contracted administrative support.

For professional services contracts, particularly with licensed professionals such as architects, engineers, attorneys, accountants, and insurance brokers, you should also require:

• **Professional Liability (or E&O - Errors and Omissions)** – this provides coverage for errors in professional judgment that lead to damages to your entity or others.

**Limit of Insurance:** the minimum limit recommended is \$2,000,000 per occurrence, accident, or claim, for CGL, CAL, and E&O, respectively. If you accept \$1,000,000 per occurrence and an aggregate limit applies (a limit on the amount the insurer will pay for all claims in one policy period, typically one year) it should be no less than \$2,000,000.

For Workers' Compensation Insurance, you should require "Statutory Limits", that is, coverage that is as high as the statute provides (essentially unlimited), with Employers Liability limits of \$1,000,000 per accident or disease.

Keep in mind, these are recommended minimum limits that should be increased for a number of activities that are considered higher risk, including construction contracts. Because of the stricter language imposed in the 2013 version of CGL additional insured endorsements, it is important to carefully review the coverages and limits you require in your contracts, as those specifications can have a significant impact on what is available to you from your vendor's insurance coverage in the event of a claim. Please refer to subsequent chapters and Appendix D for more information and a reference table for situations in which higher limits are recommended.

#### **Other Recommended Insurance Requirements**

In addition to the basic coverage outlined above, your entity should also request the following protection:

**Additional Insured:** an endorsement to the Commercial General Liability (CGL) policy will name your entity as an additional insured under the contractor's policy for covered claims arising from their work or activities on your behalf. This status gives you direct rights under the Contractor's insurance and greatly increases your chances of recovery, especially for your legal defense. This is not required under the WC policy and is not available under E&O policies.

**Primary Coverage** – for all the insurance policies, you want to require the Contractor's insurance to be the first to cover any claim, with your coverage applicable only if the Contractor's is exhausted. An endorsement is generally not required for the standard Business Auto policy as primary insurance language is written into the standard policy form but is recommended for the CGL policy, especially for high risk activities.



**Waiver of Subrogation** – if an insurer pays a claim, any rights their insured may have to recover all or part of the payment from someone else are transferred to the insurer. That process and the insurer's attempts at reimbursement are called subrogation. Your insurance requirements should contain a waiver of the Contractor's rights to recover such payments, and we recommend an endorsement to the WC policy in most cases.

**Notice of Cancellation** – you want to be notified if the policy is cancelled. You should be notified of cancellation by the Contractor's agent or broker if he or she sent you a Certificate of Insurance verifying coverage, but unless you request an endorsement to the policies, failure to notify on the agent or broker's part does not prevent cancellation without proper notice.

#### **General Insurance Recommendations**

**Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions**: you want to make sure any amounts a Contractor must pay before its insurance applies are known and the contractor is capable of paying those amounts if needed.

**Verification of Coverage**: proof of the Contractor's insurance coverage is usually provided by its agent or broker with a Certificate of Insurance listing the types of coverage, insurers providing the coverage, policy period, and limits. Your entity will be listed as the Certificate Holder and if you are additional insured, the agent will provide you notice if any policy is cancelled prior to the expiration date. For ongoing contracts you should receive a new Certificate when the policies expire, but if not, you will need to follow up for proof of ongoing coverage. Make sure the agent is aware of the length of the contract when requesting the initial certificate and your entity should be notified automatically when their coverage renews.

A Certificate of Insurance is NOT enough proof of coverage when your entity wants to be named as an additional insured on the contractor's CGL policy; you MUST also have an endorsement in order to be so. The standard CGL contains "contractual liability" coverage which affords the insured coverage for liability they assume in most contracts, and some policies may automatically name your entity as an additional insured if required in a written contract, or they may issue a "blanket" endorsement to that effect, but you will want to obtain proof of your status, either through the endorsement or a copy of the applicable policy language.

Acceptability of Insurers: the specifications list a minimum A.M. Best rating of A:VII. You can look up an insurer's rating by going to <a href="www.ambest.com">www.ambest.com</a>. At times you may run into an insurer that does not have the minimum rating or that is not rated by A.M. Best, particularly if your contractor is covered by a captive, Self-Insured Group (SIG), risk pool, or other "alternative" risk transfer mechanism. In such case you will need to research the company by referring to the Internet or requesting documentation from the agent. Also, enlist the advice of your insurance broker or risk management consultant.

Claims-Made Policies: most Professional Liability insurance policies, and other specialized policies such as Environmental Impairment (Pollution) or Educators Legal Liability, are written on what is known as a "claims-made" basis. This means the policy in force on the date a claim is made against the Contractor is the one that covers the loss, not necessarily the one that happens to be in force on the date the work begins or, as with an "occurrence" policy, the date when an accident that causes damage occurs.

For the work of Architects and Engineers, it may be many years after the design work is completed and the structure put to use before errors or defects in the design become apparent and



a claim is filed. For this reason, it is recommended that you require proof of ongoing coverage for design work, at least three years, and often up to as long as ten years after a job is complete.

This section of the requirements can often be deleted if the contract does not involve professional or environmental services.

**Special Risks or Circumstances:** each situation is unique, and you may encounter a type of risk or coverage that requires more limits, acceptance of a lower A.M. Best rating, or a waiver of one of the recommended requirements. You should always reserve the right to modify your requirements to meet such demands, especially when conducting a bid process that could lock you in to rejecting an otherwise acceptable proposal.

### **Step 4: Verify Coverage**

#### Review the completed forms promptly.

You should receive at least two documents verifying coverage, a Certificate of Insurance and an Additional Insured (AI) Endorsement (or a copy of the applicable policy language confirming your AI status by written contract). Review the forms to be sure they are completed fully, that they have been signed by an appropriate party, and that no items have been crossed out or altered. Note the expiration date of the policies. If any policies expire during the term of the contract or project, you should set up a suspense file for forty-five (45) days before the expiration of the insurance. At that time, if you have not received proof of renewal or replacement of coverage, you should send a letter (including the current forms) to the other party stating that your Entity requires receipt of a new set of forms before expiration of the existing coverage.

This manual provides a one-page checklist that can be completed for each contract (see Appendix D for examples). This checklist is used to compare the Entity's specific requirements to the certificate(s) and endorsements provided. If something is missing, contact the contractor's broker or agent to obtain the necessary certificates and endorsements. You can also enlist the assistance of your Risk Manager to contact insurance brokers/carriers to obtain all documents required to comply with your contract provisions. Please refer to Chapter Five for more guidance and details on verifying compliance.

#### Save the signed forms.

Save the forms with the rest of your contract documents. Contracts and insurance documentation for construction projects should be saved **indefinitely**, as claims may be presented many years after work is completed. The forms may be your Entity's only proof of coverage. For other types of contracted work, follow your own record retention policies, but be aware that certain types of contracts, particularly for environmental services or other work that has the potential to generate claims far into the future should also be kept indefinitely.

#### **Step 5: Report Claims Promptly**

Inform the other party's insurer immediately, in writing, of any incidents or claims arising out of the work. Send a copy to the Contractor and its agent as well.

Some liability insurance policies require reporting of accidents or other covered losses as soon as it is practical to do so and do not impose any specific deadline. Others require reporting of accidents immediately, but again leave that term undefined. Some policies written on "claimsmade" forms impose strict deadlines on claim reporting. The sample forms provided in this



manual include sample correspondence for reporting claims. As you may not have immediate access to the policy's notice-of-claim requirement clause, you should assume the worst case version and report incidents or claims to the other party's insurer immediately. If you have a copy of the policy, follow the reporting procedures explicitly.

Most insurance policies require reporting of incidents or claims to the insurer. However, it is customary with most insurance buyers to report such events to the insurance agent, and to allow the agent to pass the information along to the insurer. While convenient, this practice does not fulfill the insured's contractual responsibility to report events to the insurer. Therefore, the safest practice is to report the event to the insurer, with secondary notification to the agent. If you report by telephone, make a note of it, including the date and person spoken to. Follow up in writing as soon as possible.

You should also notify your own insurance company, claims administrator (TPA), agent or broker of the claim in order to protect your rights under your policy. If the Contractor's insurer delays or disputes acceptance of the claim you may need to rely on your own resources to protect your interests while the issue is resolved. Your insurer or TPA should continue the negotiations with the Contractor's insurer on your behalf to successfully tender the claim to them, but at times these issues are not resolved until the claim is ready to settle. It may even be necessary to file a suit against the Contractor and/or insurer to enforce your rights, something that your insurer should do on your behalf.



#### **Exhibit A:**

### **Insurance Requirements for most Contracts**

#### (Not for Construction Contracts)

Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder and the results of that work by the Contractor, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors.

#### MINIMUM SCOPE OF INSURANCE

Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

- 1. Commercial General Liability (CGL): Insurance Services Office Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products and completed operations, property damage, bodily injury and personal & advertising injury with limits no less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
- 2. **Automobile Liability:** ISO Form Number CA 00 01 covering any auto (Code 1), or if Contractor has no owned autos, hired, (Code 8) and non-owned autos (Code 9), with limit no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
- 3. **Workers' Compensation:** as required by the State of California, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease.
- 4. **Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions):** Insurance appropriates to the Contractor's profession, with limit no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence or claim, \$2,000,000 aggregate. (*If applicable see footnote next page*)

If the contractor maintains higher limits than the minimums shown above, the Entity requires and shall be entitled to coverage for the higher limits maintained by the contractor.

#### **Other Insurance Provisions**

The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

#### Additional Insured Status

The Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Contractor's insurance (at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or both CG 20 10 and CG 20 37 forms if later revisions used).

#### Primary Coverage

For any claims related to this contract, the **Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary** insurance as respects the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance



or self-insurance maintained by the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, or volunteers shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

#### Notice of Cancellation

Each insurance policy required above shall provide that **coverage shall not be canceled, except** with notice to the Entity.

### Waiver of Subrogation

Contractor hereby grants to Entity a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said Contractor may acquire against the Entity by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Contractor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the Entity has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

#### Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions

Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the Entity. The Entity may require the Contractor to purchase coverage with a lower deductible or retention or provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses within the retention.

### Acceptability of Insurers

Insurance is to be placed with insurers with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A:VII, unless otherwise acceptable to the Entity.

Claims Made Policies (note – should be applicable only to professional liability, see below) If any of the required policies provide claims-made coverage:

- 1. The Retroactive Date must be shown, and must be before the date of the contract or the beginning of contract work.
- 2. Insurance must be maintained and evidence of insurance must be provided *for at least* five (5) years after completion of the contract of work.
- 3. If coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced *with another claims-made policy form with a Retroactive Date prior to* the contract effective date, the Contractor must purchase "extended reporting" coverage for a minimum of *five* (5) years after completion of work.

#### Verification of Coverage

Contractor shall furnish the Entity with original certificates and amendatory endorsements or copies of the applicable policy language effecting coverage required by this clause. All certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the Entity before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Contractor's obligation to provide them. The Entity reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by these specifications, at any time.

### Special Risks or Circumstances

Entity reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.



**Note:** Professional liability insurance coverage is normally required if the Contractor is providing a professional service regulated by the state. (Examples of service providers regulated by the state are insurance agents, professional architects and engineers, doctors, certified public accountants, lawyers, etc.). However, other professional Contractors, such as computer or software designers, and services providers such as claims administrators, should also have professional liability. If in doubt, consult with your risk management or insurance advisors.



### CHAPTER TWO: INSURANCE SPECIFICATIONS FOR MOST CONTRACTS

#### **SUMMARY**

This chapter describes considerations for drafting insurance specifications for most contracts. Sample specifications are included as exhibits in this chapter and for more complex or specialized contracts in the next two chapters.

The following section provides more detail to explain a number of the issues that need to be considered in drafting insurance requirements, as well as providing specifications for the most common types of contracts for public entities.

#### **Evaluate the Risk**

Before determining the types of insurance to be required, you must have some idea of the types of harm that could arise from the activities contemplated under the contract. Review the scope of work and talk to the contract manager and/or contractor to be sure you understand the work or service to be performed and that it is adequately described in the Scope. Refer to Appendix A for more information on Risk Assessment.

#### **Use the Appropriate Contract Template**

Every organization should implement a system that establishes procedures for developing and approving contracts. We recommend that your Entity create templates for the types of contracts typically used by departments within your Entity. This makes the process of selecting and reviewing the contract terms much easier, since the language has already been reviewed and approved by your attorney. Any changes to the template should be approved by legal counsel prior to signing.

Common contract templates should include:

- General Services: for most contracts, including routine maintenance of facilities or grounds
- Construction: for public works projects or major remodeling of facilities
- **Design Professional Services:** for the services of architects, engineers, and land surveyors
- **Professional Services:** for all other professional service providers, such as attorneys, accountants, medical professionals, and insurance brokers
- Leases and Rentals: for long and short-term use of your real property and/or personal property/equipment

One important reason for having a separate template for design professionals is a limitation on the type of Hold Harmless agreement you may require for their services. There is also a limitation on the Hold Harmless you can use for construction contracts. Refer to Civil Code §2872 and see Appendix C for a full discussion of these limitations and recommended language.



#### **Insurance Requirements**

Insurance requirements in a contract ensure that the organization you are contracting with will have adequate assets available in the event of a loss arising out of the work performed for your Entity. The use of insurance is not the only means of guaranteeing that an organization will have adequate resources. Some very large organizations may choose to self-insure their liabilities. In that event, you may need to examine the organization's financial statements or receive a letter of credit from a banking institution to guarantee the adequacy of assets. For the rest of this chapter, we will focus on insurance as the means for effective risk transfer.

### Be as specific as possible in describing types of insurance required

Avoid using phrases which do not have a specific meaning. For example, the term "public liability" does not have a definite meaning in common usage or in the insurance industry. If you use an ambiguous term, your Entity may intend that a relatively broad coverage be purchased, yet a limited coverage form would still comply with the written requirement. This ambiguity is reduced by stating the titles or exact types of coverage forms to be maintained. The insurance specifications provided in this manual refer to specific Insurance Services Office (ISO) coverage forms wherever possible. While not all insurers use ISO forms, they should have similar forms or policy language they can provide. However, use of non-standard ISO language is a reason to review the forms and endorsements carefully, including a review of the policy language if in doubt.

In particular, your Entity should require that liability insurance be written on an "occurrence basis". "Claims-made" coverage should be accepted only as an exception after verifying that occurrence based coverage is not available. Professional liability insurance is usually available only on a claims-made basis and will be discussed later in this chapter.

### Describe maximum deductibles or self-insured retentions that the other party may maintain

If the other party maintains substantial deductibles or self-insured retentions (SIRs), your Entity must seek reimbursement directly from the other party in accordance with the indemnity or hold-harmless clause of the contract. If the other party is financially unable to reimburse your Entity, or if the indemnification clause in the contract is set aside by a court, your Entity would bear the amount of the deductible (or retention) or perhaps be left with no coverage at all from the contractor's policy. As of this writing, at least one court has held that an additional insured to a policy has no right to satisfy the SIR if the first named insured is unable to do so, based on policy language that unambiguously allowed only the named insured to satisfy the SIR. This situation can also occur when the subcontractor is not named in a suit and therefore is not required to respond and spend money that would count toward the SIR. In such cases, your entity may have to file a cross-complaint to force the subcontractor to respond and satisfy the SIR.

If deductibles or SIRs are substantial, you can request the other party post a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and defense costs within the deductible layer. As an alternative, the other party's insurer may be willing to reduce or eliminate the deductible as respects your Entity's interests, most likely for an additional premium from the Contractor. Other options including requiring policy language that allows an additional insured to satisfy the SIR and vendor contract language that allows your entity to withhold payment up to the amount of the SIR and act as the contractor's agent in satisfying the policy SIR.



Also, some policies with SIRs do not require the insurer to provide legal defense. In such cases, your Entity might have to pay its own defense or seek reimbursement from the contractor. Moreover, a recent decision in California held that the insurer did not have to pay claims where a bankrupt insured was not able to personally satisfy the SIR. Therefore, you should require disclosure and approval of deductibles or SIRs and discuss them with your risk management advisor as necessary.

# Require the addition of your Entity, its officials, employees and volunteers as additional insureds to all required liability coverage

Standard contract conditions should specify that your Entity, its officials, employees, and volunteers be added by endorsement as additional insureds to all liability policies, except workers' compensation or professional liability (errors & omissions) policies.

When the contractor will be employing subcontractors, request that they be required to maintain at least the same insurance as required of the general contractor. You may require the contractor to provide your Entity with the required endorsements or insurance policies from each subcontractor which name the Entity, its officials, employees, and volunteers as additional insureds. It is common practice for an owner to require a contractor to furnish these endorsements, particularly for construction projects.

For large construction projects with consolidated insurance programs ("wrap-ups" aka OCIP's), the insurer will include all subcontractors as additional insureds under the insureds (contractor's) policies.

#### Require that the other party's insurance be primary

To simplify loss adjustment and to eliminate the possibility that the other party's insurer will seek contribution from your Entity, your Entity's standard requirements should state that the other party's insurance is to provide primary coverage, and that your Entity's insurance or self-insurance program will not be called upon to contribute to a loss that should otherwise be paid by the other party's insurer. If your contractors' insurer uses standard ISO forms, this condition will automatically be taken care of as a standard Additional Insured endorsement includes this language, and such is also the case with the most current ISO Commercial Automobile Liability form. Applicable language will be found in the "Other Insurance" section, or is included as part of the additional insured language protecting your Entity. If the agreement on primary insurance is merely stated in your contract with the other party and is not included in the policy, the condition is not binding on the insurer.

# Require that your Entity be given at least thirty (30) days' notice of cancellation of insurance coverage, with ten days' notice for non-payment

Your Entity's standard insurance requirements should state that the insurer will provide at least thirty (30) days written notice of cancellation. Sixty (60) days' notice is better, and is required by law in many states. However, in CA the requirement is only ten (10) days for notice of cancellation due to non-payment. The standard certificate of insurance language has recently changed noting that notice of cancellation will only be given "in accordance with policy provisions", which now clarifies what was always the intent. For this reason, if notice is required, it needs to be endorsed on to the policy like the additional insured status.



Prior editions of this manual have recommended requiring an endorsement requiring notice of cancellation or coverage changes with 30 days' notice by USPS registered mail with a return receipt. This approach does not seem feasible in the current environment of electronic communications and express mail services. Moreover, some insurers refuse to take on this obligation and, in some states, the cancellation requirements are stronger.

Most often you will not receive an endorsement regarding notice of cancellation even when your specifications require it. This is an area to use your judgment regarding what is reasonable and obtainable in light of the risks involved.

If a contract involves a risk so substantial that the risk of cancellation or coverage reduction is heightened, you should require an endorsement or even consider a project specific policy with the Entity as an Additional Insured may be warranted. For example, the insurance requirements for construction and environmental risks (Exhibits 5 & 6) require an endorsement to the policies for notice of cancellation.

Statements made on a certificate regarding cancellation notice do not have the same effect as the same statement made in an insurance policy or endorsement. Insurance industry-supplied certificates of insurance usually only state that the insurer or its agent will "endeavor to" provide the required number of days' notice of cancellation. Sometimes the words "endeavor to" may be crossed out on the certificate form. However, this change has no practical effect on the insurer but could lead to an E&O on the part of the agent, since generally, if notice is not sent, the coverage still terminates. You should presume that the certificate does not grant any conditions not contained in the policy.

# Specify that the insurance is to be placed with insurers that meet a certain minimum rating, unless otherwise acceptable to your Entity

The ratings given by A.M. Best and Standard & Poor's are widely used as standards for measurement of insurer acceptability. Insurer ratings are available on-line from each company at <a href="http://www.ambest.com">http://www.ambest.com</a> and <a href="http://www.ambest.com">www.standardandpoors.com/ratings/insurance</a>.

The A.M. Best rating is a two-part rating, separated by a colon. The first portion is the assessment of the quality of assets held. The second, given as a Roman numeral ranging up to XV, indicates financial size by policyholders' surplus. Standard & Poor's uses a single rating scheme measuring the company's overall financial strength.



The management ratings currently used by A.M. Best and the overall ratings used by Standard & Poor's are:

A.M. Best Ratings		Standard & Poor's Ratings		
A++, A+	Superior	AAA	Extremely Strong	
A, A–	Excellent	AA +/-	Very Strong	
B++, B+	Very Good	A +/-	Strong	
B, B–	Good	BBB +/-	Adequate	
C++, C+	Fair	BB +/-	Less Vulnerable	
C, C-	Marginal	B +/-	More Vulnerable	
D	Below Minimum Standards	CCC +/-	Currently Vulnerable	
E	Under State Supervision	CC +/-	Currently Highly Vulnerable	
F	In Liquidation	R	Under Regulatory Supervision	

<sup>+,-</sup> These signs following the letter rating indicate the relative position within the class

The above analogy between A.M. Best and Standard & Poor's ratings is not exact. Each rating system has its differences and the ratings are based on slightly different criteria and/or weighting. The use of both rating systems provides a better understanding of the strength or weakness of the company.

A.M. Best also rates insurance companies by their policyholders' surplus. Class I is the lowest Financial Size category, indicating a policyholders' surplus of under \$1,000,000. Class XV, indicates policyholders' surplus of over \$2,000,000,000. In the middle, Class VII surplus ranges from \$50,000,000 to \$100,000,000.

Your Entity should require that insurance be placed with companies that have a minimum A.M. Best rating of A:VII and a Standard & Poor's Rating (if rated) of at least BBB unless specific approval for a lower rating has been granted by your Entity. This requirement does not guarantee that the insurer will be solvent when called upon to pay a loss, but it does reduce the possibility of coverage being placed with a clearly unqualified insurer.

Your Entity should only accept a lower-rated insurer if no other insurer will provide the coverage. **Be aware**, however, that there may be a significant risk that the insurer will not be able to pay a claim for which your Entity may then become responsible. If in doubt, contact your insurance advisor prior to approving the forms. Special consideration and evaluation should be undertaken when coverage is provided by Self-Insured Groups (SIGs), captives and risk pools. Many governmental agencies purchase coverage through pooling arrangements, so you should not be surprised when contracting with another governmental agency if their coverage is provided by a pool. Pool financials are public information, and it is easy to discover the strength of any particular pool. SIG financial information may or may not be accessible, but should be requested if there is a concern. Contract documents should specifically address alternative risk transfer programs where possible.



#### Fit the Insurance Limits to the Situation

This is the most difficult principle of all to apply effectively. Judgment and experience are required to set required insurance limits. Precedent also plays a significant role. It becomes difficult to require \$5,000,000 limits from one contractor if the Entity has previously required only \$1,000,000 for similar projects. Nevertheless, if most contractors carry limits less than you think are appropriate, it is possible they are underinsuring their risks and you should not hesitate to ask for more.

In our view, the \$2,000,000 limit stipulated in the sample insurance requirements is the minimum limit to require. Higher limits should be required for any hazardous activity, such as blasting, or where the activity has a severe loss potential, such as construction close to highways, utility lines, or high-valued property. You should consider the loss exposure, not the value of the contract, in determining appropriate limits. Some jobs, such as spraying of pesticides or backhoe operation near utilities, involve substantial potential liabilities even though the contract may involve only a small expense. Checklists at the end of this manual will help identify hazardous exposures, including a chart in Appendix D that lists recommended limits for different types of activities.

Amendments in 2013 limit coverage to the amount required in the agreement. As a result the entity will be covered only to the amount requested and identification of minimum limits should be carefully considered.

### How much is enough?

The saying, "A million dollars just ain't what it used to be," rings truer with the years. This manual has required a \$1 million general liability limit as the basic limit since the early 1980's. The editors are now recommending limits of \$2 million for basic commercial contracts (without construction) and \$5 million for contracts with construction risks. Please keep in mind that because of annual limitations on policy payments ("aggregates", see below) in standard policies unless a contract specific policy is written, your entity is sharing the contractors policy limits with all of the contractor's other customers.

Note that increasing jury verdicts and recent changes to coverage forms make higher limits advisable. Studies have shown that jury verdicts against public entities have risen more than 50% in recent years (see <a href="www.iii.org">www.iii.org</a> and search for "jury verdicts", or see <a href="www.jvra.com">www.jvra.com</a> and look for "Government Liability"). Also, recent changes to the CGL insured contract definition may bring defense costs within the limit of insurance, eroding the coverage available. The changes place defense costs within the limits of liability if there is a conflict, or your Entity selects separate defense counsel. Moreover, some policies and endorsements now limit coverage to the amounts of limits requested in the additional insured's written agreement.

The editors understand that smaller vendors, sole proprietors, and individuals may not have \$2 million of limits. This is where the art of risk management plays a role. Your entity must determine when to allow lesser limits. We suggest that standard tests be applied. For example, you might decide that any contract that does not includes a products or completed operations exposure, is low enough risk to allow a lesser limit such as \$1 million. Note that these other agreements may not always be low risk, so the risk manager's best weapon – common sense – must carry the day.



#### **Aggregate Limits**

Many liability insurance forms in use today impose aggregate (total of all claims) limits on all losses paid by the policy for the policy period (usually one year). There are usually three types of aggregates: a products and completed operations aggregate; a personal injury and advertising injury liability aggregate; and a general aggregate for all other types of losses. If the contractor purchases a Commercial General Liability policy, any losses arising out of projects for that contractor's other clients would also reduce the aggregate limit available for losses arising out of its work for your Entity. Therefore you may wish to require:

- A higher aggregate limit which is a multiple of the occurrence limit; for example, a \$1,000,000 per occurrence limit with a \$2,000,000 aggregate, or
- ➤ A separate aggregate limit for your project or lease, or
- ➤ A policy dedicated to your project.

None of these solutions is a perfect answer. Even a higher aggregate limit may be insufficient if the contractor experiences a large number of substantial claims during the coverage period. A possible solution is to require that the contractor provide higher limits through a combination of excess and primary policies. In this case, evidence of excess coverage should be provided on the same certificate form. On large projects, this approach may be the most feasible.

The insurer may decline to provide a separate or higher limit for your Entity's project. If the insurer is willing to provide a higher limit, the contractor may be asked to pay additional premium. The cost of this premium may be passed along to your Entity if the contractor must obtain this coverage in order to receive the contract award.

The discussion above applies to coverage under the current ISO Commercial General Liability policy form. Other variations of endorsements adding aggregate limits exist. You should review these forms carefully when evaluating aggregate limits on your contractor's liability policies and seek assistance from your insurance advisor as needed.

#### Specify that the Insurance Must Remain in Effect for the Duration of the Project or Lease

You should state in the contract that the required insurance must be in effect prior to awarding the contract and that it or a successor policy must be in effect for the duration of the project or lease. A clause in the contract should state that maintenance of proper insurance coverage is a material element of the contract and that failure to maintain or renew coverage or to provide evidence of renewal may be treated by your Entity as a material breach of contract. For large, ongoing projects you may want to include a provision allowing your Entity to withhold payment to purchase insurance to replace any expired coverage.

For construction projects or claims-made policies you will want coverage to extend a number of years past the end of the project. See the discussion in Chapter Three on Construction and Professional Services contracts for more detail.

#### **Professional Services Contracts**

Professional service providers (consultants) include those who are licensed by the state, including architects, engineers, attorneys, medical service providers, accountants, and insurance agents, brokers, and claims administrators. However, there are a wide variety of professional services that fall outside state licensing, including computer system designers and programmers,



safety professionals, and risk management consultants. They key is whether you are relying on a consultant's professional judgment and if an error in judgment could lead to damages to your Entity or a third party.

A consultant is guilty of professional negligence when damages result from a failure to exercise the same standard of care that another consultant in the same practice and geographic area would use. Examples of such claims include design errors of architects or engineers and malpractice of doctors or lawyers. An expert in the subject field is almost always necessary to establish the duty of care and render an opinion on whether or not it was met when attempting to prove a claim for damages.

Claims arising from professional services performed for your Entity will name the consultant, your Entity and any other connected party as defendants. Even though the consultant may be the party liable under the law, your Entity, in the event of even the slightest joint liability, could still be required to pay for all or part of a loss caused by the consultant. In addition, your Entity may have its own claims against the consultant for improper design or other professional negligence that results in damage to your property.

When contracting for professional services, your Entity should ensure that the other party to the contract (consultant) carries sufficient professional and general liability insurance to protect against losses that may result from its negligent acts or omissions. The following discussion addresses a number of issues when dealing with professional services contracts, including:

- ➤ Professional Liability (E&O) Insurance
- ➤ Additional Insured Status
- ➤ Claims-Made Coverage
- > Auto Insurance
- ➤ Workers' Compensation
- > Independent Consultant Status
- > Indemnity Limitations

**Professional Liability Insurance:** Professional liability insurance provides protection against covered claims for damages by reason of any act, error or omission committed or alleged to have been committed by the insured. It is also referred to as "Errors and Omissions" or "E&O" insurance. Coverage provided by professional liability insurance policies differs from coverage provided by general liability insurance. General liability policies exclude professional exposures such as design errors. General liability policies are also limited to claims for bodily injury, property damage, advertising injury, and personal injury. Professional liability policies often cover a broader range of economic loss.

<u>Exhibit 2</u> (at the end of this chapter) provides a sample set of specifications for consultant insurance requirements. Limits required by these sample specifications are \$1,000,000. On large projects, or those with significant potential for loss such as bridges or dams, higher limits are appropriate.

You must also exercise judgment on the subject of minimum acceptable insurer requirements. For some professions, limited insurance markets exist for professional liability coverage. There may be no insurers meeting your Entity's standard insurer requirements that are willing to write



the particular kind of coverage required. In such cases, you must sometimes be willing to relax standard insurer rating requirements. When doing so, you should attempt to evaluate the financial condition of the consultant and its insurer, determine how long the consultant has been in business, how long it has maintained insurance coverage, and how long its insurer has been writing the kind of professional liability in question. For assistance in evaluating professional liability insurers, contact your risk management advisor.

**Additional Insured Status:** Because of the highly personal nature of professional liability insurance (the insurer covers the professional's competence); insurers generally will not add additional insureds to the policy unless they are employees or subsidiaries of the insured. The specifications in this manual do not request additional insured status for professional liability.

Claims-Made Coverage: Most professional liability coverage is written on a "claims-made" basis, rather than the "occurrence" or "accident" coverage for general and auto liability. This means the policy in force on the date a claim is made against the consultant is the policy that responds to the loss, not the policy in force on the date damages occur. For architects and engineers especially, the date of a claim may be many years after the design and construction of a structure and months after any defects caused damage. For this reason, this manual recommends requesting continuation of professional liability coverage for at least three to five years after completion of the subject of the design work. For large projects you may want to require an even longer time period and/or require a policy with a built in "tail" for reporting claims in the future.

Because professional liability insurance is almost always written on a claims-made basis, Entities that hire architects or engineers should have concern about coverage for latent defects or design errors that may result in future claims after the current coverage has expired. One solution to this problem is to require the design professional to agree to maintain coverage for a specified period after the project has been completed (extended reporting period, or tail, coverage). However, this requirement may be very difficult to enforce. If the project is large enough, the architect's or engineer's insurer may provide a project policy in the name of the Entity, with a built-in tail. The policy may cover all design professionals on a project. This arrangement affords greater protection for the Entity's interests but will require an additional premium for the separate policy. Therefore, this is only cost effective on large projects (when architects and engineering fees exceed \$1 million).

**Auto Insurance:** If the consultant will use an automobile in any phase of the work performed for your Entity you should also require evidence of automobile liability insurance. In some cases, the consulting firm will own no automobiles and therefore may not purchase automobile liability coverage. However, the firm should obtain coverage for their non-owned and hired automobile exposure. This coverage protects them for claims arising from use of personal or rented vehicles by its principals or employees. If you are dealing with a sole proprietor, proof of personal auto coverage should be required, though you may have to accept less than a \$1 million limit.

**Workers' Compensation:** Your Entity should require evidence of workers' compensation insurance. However, if the consultant has no employees, for example a sole practitioner or a partner in a firm with only contracted support staff, then Workers' Compensation is not required by the State. If that's the case, request written confirmation from the consultant before agreeing to waive the coverage.



**Independent Consultant Status:** Even though the contract with the consultant may make clear that the consultant is hired as a contractor and not as an employee, the courts may find a way to provide workers' compensation coverage or other benefits through Entity resources in the event that a consultant or employee is injured or claims that he or she should be entitled to health, pension, or overtime benefits due to the nature of the contractual relationship.

This is an area to involve legal counsel specializing in employment issues to review the work assignments and performance standards and draft appropriate protections in the contract. The Internal Revenue Service may ultimately make a determination whether or not a consultant should be considered an employee. You can review its criteria on its website at <a href="http://www.irs.gov">http://www.irs.gov</a>. The key factor is the amount of control you exercise over the work, especially whether you have the right to control only the result of the work, not the means and methods. However, there are other factors and other types of benefits to be considered. Your agency should carefully review all consultant agreements to avoid a ruling that you are responsible for benefits, payroll taxes, social security, pension, and Medicare payments as a result of the consultant's function.

**Indemnity Limitations:** Special care is needed in drafting indemnification requirements for contracts with consultants. Appendix C explains special restrictions on indemnity agreements with design professionals. In addition, most professional liability insurers exclude liability assumed under contract by their insureds. However, most general liability policies in use today provide an exception to the contract exclusion to provide coverage for bodily injury and property damage liability assumed under an "insured contract". Therefore, the indemnity agreement should be carefully worded so that the consultant agrees to defend and indemnify your Entity for bodily injury or property damage arising out of the consultant's negligent acts or omissions in performance of the work. This assumption of liability is insurable under general liability policies.

Professional liability policies generally do not contain an "insured contract" exception in their contract exclusions. The exclusion applies unless the liability arises from an error, omission, or negligent act of the insured and would have attached in the absence of such agreement. While the insurer will protect the consultant, it may not honor certain provisions of the hold harmless, such as a duty to defend or pay costs as incurred. For this reason, many consultants attempt to negotiate away such provisions.

In such cases, you may have to rely on the consultant's or another contractor's general liability coverage for defense and ongoing reimbursement of costs, and you may have to file a cross-complaint to assure that the consultant and insurer pay for their share of any loss.

Note, however, that your Entity would seldom be liable for any share of a true E&O loss, as the concept of professional liability applies to a practitioner of that profession. The most common ways your Entity could be directly liable for a professional error include negligently choosing the consultant or negligently signing off on or approving a design or work product. On any large construction loss there will be allegations of professional negligence as well as construction defects attributed to the contractor or various subcontractors, so the goal is to make sure the consultant or insurer pays for its share of the damage.

The area of professional liability insurance does not lend itself to the application of hard-and-fast rules. Flexibility and the exercise of discretion are needed to protect your Entity. Although there are no absolute guarantees to assure that your Entity will not be forced to pay a loss due to errors



or omissions of its consultants, the practices described above can help provide a reasonable measure of protection.

**Property Insurance:** Transfer of responsibility for loss occurs in most contracts. Responsibility for damage to property owned by one of the parties is also dictated in some contracts, although this activity is less frequent. There are two primary situations where responsibility for property loss should be clearly spelled out, buildings in the course of construction, and leases involving extensive tenant improvements and betterments. Course of construction risks are addressed in the next chapter, while leases are addressed below and in <a href="Exhibit 3">Exhibit 3</a> at the end of this chapter.

# **Tenant's Improvements and Betterments**

Property insurance should be required where your Entity has a continuing interest in improvements or betterments installed by a tenant in one of your properties. Many leases require that such improvements revert to the property owner at the completion of the lease. Often the value of these improvements is factored into the lease cost. In such cases, you should require the tenant to provide sufficient insurance to cover the full replacement value of the improvements and to name your Entity as loss payee on the policy. In addition, you should require a copy of the policy for your review.

It is also important to include a Waiver of Subrogation on property risks whenever you are in a landlord-tenant situation. The major benefits of a Joint Waiver of Subrogation clause are:

- ➤ No need to purchase separate fire legal liability
- ➤ No dispute over cause of loss between tenant and landlord
- Existing property policy may have built-in language that allows you to waive subrogation in writing as either a tenant or landlord
- You are not relying on another entity's policy nor do you have to verify the adequacy of its coverage as respects to your property

An example of language for a waiver is as follows:

Tenant and landlord agree that insurance carried or required to be carried by either of them against loss or damage to property by fire, flood, earthquake, acts of terrorism, acts of war, or other casualty shall contain a clause whereby the insurer waives its right to subrogation against the other party, it elected officials, directors, employees, volunteers, and agents, and each party shall indemnify the other against any loss or expense, including reasonable attorneys' fees, resulting from the failure to obtain such waiver.

#### **Insurance Requirements for Lessees Exceptions for the Civic Center Act**

"The Civic Center Act," Education Code Section 38130, specifies which groups are entitled to the use of school district facilities free of charge, and those groups which the district can elect to charge a fee for use of a school facility.

With respect to the insurance requirements and indemnification language, there are differences in what the district can require depending upon whether the user is a free of charge user or a paying user.



Free of Charge Users – Groups entitled to use school facilities free of charge under Education Code Section 38130 must be able to demonstrate the following:

- 1. There is no other suitable meeting place available;
- 2. The group is a nonprofit organization;
- 3. The group is organized to promote youth and/or school activities.

For Free of Charge Users, the school district is liable for any injuries resulting from the negligence of the district and the maintenance of those facilities and grounds. This cannot be transferred. The user shall be liable for any injuries resulting from the negligence of that group during the use of those facilities or grounds.

*The Other Insurance Provisions* - Clause 1 in Exhibit 3 needs to be amended to state that:

"1. The District, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds with respect to liability arising out of negligence of the user during the use of the facilities or grounds."

Clauses 2 and 3 should remain unchanged.

This exception applies only to Free of Charge Users.



## **Insurance Specifications for Common Situations**

The four sets of insurance specifications at the end of this chapter have been developed for the most common situations your Entity staff will encounter. If you want to rely on just one set of specifications in this manual, use Exhibit 2. If the contract does not involve professional services, you can delete the required insurance and the section on claims-made coverages. Exhibit 2 is the same set of specifications used in Chapter 1, Exhibit A, but without the notes to provide guidance on when to require professional liability coverage.

Exhibits 5 and 6 are found at the end of Chapter Three, Constructions, and Environmental Services, and Exhibits 7 and 8 are found at the end of Chapter Four, Special Situations. These exhibits are:

•	Exhibit 1	Insurance Requirements for Most Contracts (not for professional services or construction risks)
•	Exhibit 2	Insurance Requirements for Professional Services
•	Exhibit 3	Insurance Requirements for Lessees (No Auto Risks)
•	Exhibit 4	Insurance Requirements for Vendors

• Exhibit 5 Insurance Requirements for Construction Contracts

• Exhibit 6 Insurance Requirements for Environmental Services

• Exhibit 7 Insurance Requirements for Rental of Facilities (short term)

• Exhibit 8 Insurance Requirements for Instructors

Exhibits 1 and 2 are the broadest requirements. While Exhibit 1 can be used for tenant or supplier contracts, its requirements are broader than usually needed for such agreements. For example, the exhibit requires automobile insurance. Automobile insurance is not required in most tenant situations.

Exhibit 3 is identical to Exhibit 1 but deletes the automobile insurance requirement. It should be used for most tenant situations, provided the tenant does not use or commercially park vehicles on the leased premises.

Exhibit 4 is intended for contracts that involve only the purchase of equipment or supplies which do not require installation or maintenance by the vendor. It is identical to the first exhibit, except that both the auto insurance requirement and the workers' compensation insurance requirement are deleted.

If the activity or subject of the contract fits into more than one category, use the broadest applicable language. For example, if a vendor will also install or maintain the product or perform other services for your Entity, the vendor should be considered as a contractor for the purpose of insurance requirements. Instead of using Exhibit 4, the broader language of Exhibit 1 or 2 should be used.



Following are some guidelines for determining which set of specifications to use or if special language is needed.

TYPE OF ACTIVITY	SPECIFICATIONS AND LIMITS
Maintenance and services contracts, including most routine maintenance, janitorial service, movers, onsite equipment maintenance agreements, tow service, tree maintenance, fireworks exhibits, and other general services.	Use Exhibit 1, with a minimum limit of \$2 million. If \$1 million is used, request at least a \$2 million aggregate limit. Remember to base the required limits on the amount of damage that may occur, not on the contract price.
Construction projects	Use Exhibit 5. Construction projects will usually require course of construction (builder's risk) property insurance. Major construction projects, especially those which involve many subcontractors, may call for special insurance requirements. See Chapter Three for a more complete discussion.
<b>Professional services,</b> including architects, engineers, consultants, counselors, medical professionals, hospitals, clinics, attorneys, and accountants.	Use Exhibit 2. Your Entity should require proof of professional liability insurance.
Environmental risks, including asbestos, hazardous chemicals or waste, and nuclear risks.  [Reminder: Your Entity is unlikely to have pollution coverage through its primary liability insurance or risk pool. If you don't transfer the risk, your Entity could be totally responsible for a loss.]	Use Exhibit 6. However, coverage specifications and limits should be developed to fit the circumstances of the situation. Generally, limits should be no less than \$2 million. Special insurance is available for hazardous activities, including nuclear risks, asbestos removal/containment or waste handling.
Aircraft, watercraft and airports operated under contract, including charter of aircraft or watercraft by your Entity or by another party in performance of work for your Entity.  [Reminder: Your entity's primary liability insurance or risk pool program probably does not cover aircraft or airports. If you don't transfer the risk, your Entity could be totally responsible for a loss.]	<b>Exhibit 1</b> may be appropriate if additional specialized liability insurance requirements are added. For aviation exposures, limits should be \$100 million or more. If the tenant is a marina operator or boat or airplane repairer, marina operator or ship repairer's or hangar keeper's liability is required. Limits should be large enough to cover the value of the most expensive object in the tenant's custody and 3 or 4 surrounding objects.
Leases for tenants and concessionaires including food and beverage concessions, gift shops, office space tenants, child care centers, senior centers, and other space rental to lessees who have full-time or part-time employees.	Exhibit 3 can be used if no autos are used or commercially parked on the premises. If autos are used or parked, Exhibit 1 should be used. If the tenant's activities include valet parking, with or without a fee, or servicing of automobiles, Exhibit 1 may need to be supplemented by additional coverage called garagekeeper's legal liability. The required limit for this coverage should be equal to the value of the maximum number of automobiles that may be in the tenant's custody.
<b>Vendors,</b> including vendors who supply equipment or other products to your Entity and who do not perform other functions, such as installation or maintenance.	Exhibit 4 can be used.
Space rental, including short-term space rental for special occasions to groups who have no employees, such as club functions, weddings, dances, picnics or social dinners, crafts exhibitions or classes, animal shows and recreational activities, including baseball and football.	Exhibit 7 may be used.  [Reminder: A special events policy is available to public entities. Contact your risk management department for details.]
Transportation of Hazardous Materials	Use Exhibit 6.



#### PLEASE NOTE:

Non-insurance sections of the contract are also very important to the risk management process. At a minimum, always review the "scope of work" and "indemnification" sections of a contract. If the contractor's insurance does not cover all of their indemnity exposures under the contract, it is its responsibility to obtain the necessary coverages to satisfy its agreement with your Entity.

Always remember that insurance is only one way that the contractor can indemnify your Entity. There should always be a section in the contract that states that the lack of insurance does not negate the contractor's obligations under the contract. We recommend that the manual user consult with their Entity's attorney for specific language for this section's wording. Make sure your indemnity language is strong, and if the contractor does not carry sufficient or correct insurance to cover its obligations to your Entity, make certain it has assets to indemnify those uninsured or underinsured areas.



Sample Instructions for the Contractor, to be included as an attachment with the applicable Insurance Requirements

# INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS INSTRUCTION FORM

Contractor shall provide its insurance broker(s)/agent(s) with a copy of the attached insurance requirements and request that they provide Certificates of Insurance complete with copies of all required endorsements and/or applicable policy language to:

Entity Information (Certificate Holder and/or Additional Insured):
Name:
Address:
Contact person:
Phone number:
Email:
Description of Operations/Location(s)/Vehicles:
Dates of required coverage:
Special Instructions:



# Exhibit 1:

# **Insurance Requirements for Most Contracts**

(Not for Professional Services or Construction Contracts)

Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder and the results of that work by the Contractor, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors.

#### MINIMUM SCOPE AND LIMIT OF INSURANCE

Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

- 1. Commercial General Liability (CGL): Insurance Services Office Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products and completed operations, property damage, bodily injury and personal & advertising injury with limits no less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
- 2. **Automobile Liability:** ISO Form Number CA 00 01 covering any auto (Code 1), or if Contractor has no owned autos, hired, (Code 8) and non-owned autos (Code 9), with limit no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
- 3. **Workers' Compensation:** as required by the State of California, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease.
- 4. **Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions):** Insurance appropriates to the Contractor's profession, with limit no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence or claim, \$2,000,000 aggregate. (*If applicable see footnote next page*)

If the contractor maintains higher limits than the minimums shown above, the Entity requires and shall be entitled to coverage for the higher limits maintained by the contractor. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the Entity.

#### **Other Insurance Provisions**

The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

#### Additional Insured Status

The Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Contractor's insurance (at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or if not available, through the addition of both CG 20 10 and CG 20 37 if a later edition is used).

#### Primary Coverage



For any claims related to this contract, the Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, or volunteers shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

# Notice of Cancellation

Each insurance policy required above shall provide that coverage shall not be canceled, except with notice to the Entity.

# Waiver of Subrogation

Contractor hereby grants to Entity a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said Contractor may acquire against the Entity by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Contractor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the Entity has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

# **Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions**

Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the Entity. The Entity may require the Contractor to purchase coverage with a lower deductible or retention or provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses within the retention.

# Acceptability of Insurers

Insurance is to be placed with insurers with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A:VII, unless otherwise acceptable to the Entity.

Claims Made Policies (note – should be applicable only to professional liability, see below) If any of the required policies provide claims-made coverage:

- 1. The Retroactive Date must be shown, and must be before the date of the contract or the beginning of contract work.
- 2. Insurance must be maintained and evidence of insurance must be provided for at least five (5) years after completion of the contract of work.
- 3. If coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced *with another claims-made policy form with a Retroactive Date prior to* the contract effective date, the Contractor must purchase "extended reporting" coverage for a minimum of *five* (5) years after completion of work.

# Verification of Coverage

Contractor shall furnish the Entity with original certificates and amendatory endorsements or copies of the applicable policy language effecting coverage required by this clause. All certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the Entity before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Contractor's obligation to provide them. The Entity reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by these specifications, at any time.



# Special Risks or Circumstances

Entity reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

**Note:** Professional liability insurance coverage is normally required if the Contractor is providing a professional service regulated by the state. (Examples of service providers regulated by the state are insurance agents, professional architects and engineers, doctors, certified public accountants, lawyers, etc.). However, other professional Contractors, such as computer or software designers, and services providers such as claims administrators, should also have professional liability. If in doubt, consult with your risk management or insurance advisors.



# **Exhibit 2: Insurance Requirements for Professional Services**

Consultant shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by the Consultant, its agents, representatives, or employees.

# MINIMUM SCOPE AND LIMIT OF INSURANCE

Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

- 1. Commercial General Liability (CGL): Insurance Services Office Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products and completed operations, property damage, bodily injury and personal & advertising injury with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
- 2. **Automobile Liability:** Insurance Services Office Form Number CA 0001 covering, Code 1 (any auto), or if Consultant has no owned autos, Code 8 (hired) and 9 (nonowned), with limit no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
- 3. **Workers' Compensation** insurance as required by the State of California, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than **\$1,000,000** per accident for bodily injury or disease.
  - (Not required if consultant provides written verification it has no employees)
- 4. **Professional Liability** (Errors and Omissions) Insurance appropriates to the Consultant's profession, with limit no less than **\$1,000,000** per occurrence or claim, \$2,000,000 aggregate.

If the Consultant maintains higher limits than the minimums shown above, the Entity requires and shall be entitled to coverage for the higher limits maintained by the contractor. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the Entity.

#### **Other Insurance Provisions**

The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

#### Additional Insured Status

The Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Consultant including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Consultant's insurance (at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or both CG 20 10 and CG 20 37 forms if later revisions used).



# **Primary Coverage**

For any claims related to this contract, the **Consultant's insurance coverage shall be primary** insurance as respects the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, or volunteers shall be excess of the Consultant's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

#### Notice of Cancellation

Each insurance policy required above shall state that **coverage shall not be canceled, except** with notice to the Entity.

## Waiver of Subrogation

Consultant hereby grants to Entity a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said Consultant may acquire against the Entity by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Consultant agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the Entity has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

# **Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions**

Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the Entity. The Entity may require the Consultant to provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses within the retention.

# Acceptability of Insurers

Insurance is to be placed with insurers with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A:VII, unless otherwise acceptable to the Entity.

#### Claims Made Policies

If any of the required policies provide coverage on a claims-made basis:

- 1. The Retroactive Date must be shown and must be before the date of the contract or the beginning of contract work.
- 2. Insurance must be maintained and evidence of insurance must be provided for at least five (5) years after completion of the contract of work.
- 3. If coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not *replaced with another claims-made policy form with a Retroactive Dat*e prior to the contract effective date, the Consultant must purchase "extended reporting" coverage for a minimum of *five* (5) years after completion of contract work.

#### Verification of Coverage

Consultant shall furnish the Entity with original certificates and amendatory endorsements or copies of the applicable policy language effecting coverage required by this clause. All certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the Entity before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Consultant's obligation to provide them. The Entity reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by these specifications, at any time.



#### **Subcontractors**

Consultant shall require and verify that all subcontractors maintain insurance meeting all the requirements stated herein, and Contractor shall ensure that Entity is an additional insured on insurance required from subcontractors.

# Special Risks or Circumstances

Entity reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.



# **Exhibit 3: Insurance Requirements for Lessees**

(Not For Daily or Short Term Rentals)

Lessee shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the Lessee's operation and use of the leased premises. The cost of such insurance shall be borne by the Lessee.

#### MINIMUM SCOPE AND LIMIT OF INSURANCE

Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

- 1. Commercial General Liability (CGL): Insurance Services Office Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products and completed operations, property damage, bodily injury and personal & advertising injury with limits no less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
- 2. **Workers' Compensation** insurance as required by the State of California, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limits of no less than **\$1,000,000** per accident for bodily injury or disease. (for lessees with employees).
- 3. **Property insurance** against all risks of loss to any tenant improvements or betterments, at full replacement cost with no coinsurance penalty provision.

If the Lessee maintains higher limits than the minimums shown above, the Entity requires and shall be entitled to coverage for the higher limits maintained. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the Entity.

#### **Other Insurance Provisions:**

The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

#### Additional Insured Status

The Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Lessee including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Lessee's insurance at (least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10.

### Primary Coverage

For any claims related to this contract, the Lessee's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, or volunteers shall be excess of the Lessee's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

#### Notice of Cancellation



Each insurance policy required above shall provide that coverage shall not be canceled, except with notice to the Entity.

# Waiver of Subrogation

Lessee hereby grants to Entity a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said Lessee may acquire against the Entity by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Lessee agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the Entity has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

# Acceptability of Insurers

Insurance is to be placed with insurers with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A: VII, unless otherwise acceptable to the Entity.

# **Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions**

Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the Entity. At the option of the Entity, either: the Lessee shall obtain coverage to reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers; or the Lessee shall provide a financial guarantee satisfactory to the Entity guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses.

# Verification of Coverage

Lessee shall furnish the Entity with original certificates and amendatory endorsements or copies of the applicable policy language providing the insurance coverage required above. All certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the Entity before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Lessee's obligation to provide them. The Entity reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements, required by these specifications, at any time.

## Waiver of Subrogation

Lessee hereby grants to Entity a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said Lessee may acquire against the Entity by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. This provision applies regardless of whether or not the Entity has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

#### Special Risks or Circumstances

Entity reserves the right to modify these requirements at any time, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.



# **Exhibit 4: Insurance Requirements for Vendors**

Vendor shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with products and materials supplied to the Entity. The cost of such insurance shall be borne by the Vendor.

# MINIMUM SCOPE AND LIMIT OF INSURANCE

Coverage shall be at least as broad as Insurance Services Office Commercial General Liability coverage (occurrence Form CG 00 01) and include products coverage.

Minimum Limits of Insurance Coverage shall be at least as broad as Insurance Services Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products and completed operations, property damage, bodily injury and personal & advertising injury with limits no less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.

If the Vendor maintains higher limits than the minimums shown above, the Entity requires and shall be entitled to coverage for the higher limits maintained by the contractor. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the Entity.

# **Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions**

Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the Entity. At the option of the Entity, either: the Vendor shall obtain coverage to reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers; or the Vendor shall provide a financial guarantee satisfactory to the Entity guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses.

#### Other Insurance Provisions

The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

#### Additional Insured Status

The Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Vendor including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Vendor's insurance at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or if not available, through the addition of both CG 20 10 and CG 20 37 if a later edition is used).

#### Primary Coverage

For any claims related to this contract, the Vendor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance



or self-insurance maintained by the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, or volunteers shall be excess of the Vendor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

# Notice of Cancellation

Each insurance policy required above shall provide that coverage shall not be canceled, except with notice to the Entity.

# Acceptability of Insurers

Insurance is to be placed with insurers with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A:VII, unless otherwise acceptable to the Entity.

### Verification of Coverage

Vendor shall furnish the Entity with original certificates and amendatory endorsements or copies of the applicable policy language providing the insurance coverage required above. All certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the Entity before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Vendor's obligation to provide them. The Entity reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by these specifications, at any time.

# Waiver of Subrogation

Vendor hereby grants to Entity a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said Vendor may acquire against the Entity by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Vendor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the Entity has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer

# Special Risks or Circumstances

Entity reserves the right to modify these requirements at any time, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

#### Note:

# **Vendor Exceptions**

There are a number of organizations/companies that provide services to your agencies that will not have formal contracts in place. These include but are not limited to, United Parcel Service, Federal Express, United States Postal Service, and for hire interstate truck lines as examples. Although each of these companies may provide vendor services to you, you typically will not require formal contracts and will not require evidence of insurance. All of the companies listed above are required to be licensed under the Department of Transportation rules and regulations which also require specific limits of insurance.



# CHAPTER THREE: CONSTRUCTION & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

# **SUMMARY**

This chapter provides guidance for drafting insurance requirements for construction projects and environmental services.

#### **Construction Contracts**

Construction contracts are often the largest and most complex agreements that your organization will create, most often with a formal and complex bidding process preceding the agreement. The potential for loss in construction related events can be devastating. The size and nature of most construction agreements give you a significant advantage in the negotiation process for requiring insurance. You need to carefully examine all of the exposures to risk in the construction agreement and then must require specific insurance for each exposure.

The discussion on construction agreements will provide a baseline for the majority of agreements that will be created for your organization. Discussion on the specifics of the project should occur early on in the design process. This will better position your Entity to develop your insurance requirements and provide the bidding contractors with all of the requirements before the bids are submitted. It should be made clear during the pre-bid meetings that your Entity has specific insurance requirements and contractors should be encouraged to contact their brokers/carriers as they are developing their bids. Your Entity should specifically advise bidding contractors that you will not accept change orders that are based on insurance costs that were not appropriately considered.

#### What is a "Construction Contract"?

The reader needs to be aware that the term "construction contract" has specific meaning as it relates to public entities, and there are a number of requirements and restrictions that relate to risk transfer and management of such contracts. One significant restriction is the extent to which a public entity may be held harmless for damages arising from construction contracts, as more fully explained in Appendix C. For purposes of this section, we refer you to the following California Civil Code section defining these contracts as they relate to the indemnity restrictions:

Civil Code 2783: As used in Sections 2782 and 2782.5, "construction contract" is defined as any agreement or understanding, written or oral, respecting the construction, surveying, design, specifications, alteration, repair, improvement, maintenance, removal of or demolition of any building, highway, road, parking facility, bridge, railroad, airport, pier or dock, excavation or other structure, development or other improvement to real or personal property, or an agreement to perform any portion thereof or any act collateral thereto, or to perform any service reasonably related thereto, including, but not limited to, the erection of all structures or performance of work in connection therewith, the rental of all equipment, all incidental transportation, crane and rigging service and other goods and services furnished in connection therewith.



#### **Public Contract Codes**

A discussion of various State Public Contract Codes is beyond the scope of this manual, but the editors want to make the reader aware of certain common provisions, such as bonding requirements and written acknowledgement by the contractor of the requirement to provide workers' compensation or approved self-insurance, that impact the insurance requirements for construction projects. The reader who is regularly involved in managing the risks and/or insurance requirements for construction contracts should make themselves familiar with their Code's terms and conditions related to their type of entity and their typical public contracts.

## **Unique Construction Contract Provisions**

For purposes of this manual, we will provide an overview of insurance requirements that are generally unique to construction contracts and issues that one is likely to encounter in providing risk management oversight for them. These include:

- Surety Bonds,
- Builder's Risk or course of construction insurance,
- Consolidated insurance programs or wrap-ups,
- Higher Limits, and
- Extended Coverage/AI Status

We conclude this section with a discussion of environmental services contracts and hazards, including remediation and waste hauling, with sample insurance specifications and forms for reference.

#### **Surety Bonds**

"Surety" is a three party contract wherein a person or entity agrees to be responsible for the contractual obligations of another should those obligations not be met.

A surety bond is a contractual agreement under which the surety company guarantees the performance of certain obligations of the principal (contractor) for the benefit of another (entity). In public works contracts, for example, the surety company guarantees the completion of the construction project by the contractor for the benefit of the public entity.

The surety company stands behind the bonded contractor and guarantees the completion of the bonded work. In this way, the surety bond is a risk transfer technique similar to but different than insurance. A bond differs from insurance in two fundamental ways: (1) the number of parties to the agreement, and (2) the surety's right of indemnity from the contractor, if they fail.

Insurance has two parties to the insuring agreement: the insurer and the insured (policyholder). A bond, however, has three parties to the surety agreement: the bonding company (surety), the entity being bonded (principal), and the entity who benefits in the event of a bonded default (obligee).

A surety company also has the right of indemnity from the principal. If a surety is called upon to make a payment on a bond because the principal failed to meet a bonded obligation to the obligee, the surety may recover the amount of loss from the principal (also referred to as the obligor).



Surety bonds are designed to help the obligee ensure that the contractor will complete the job in accordance with the contract. If a bonded contractor defaulted on any obligation of a bonded job, the surety may seek to recover any amounts it paid to the Obligee (the Entity) from the principal (the bonded contractor). Thus, the bonded contractor has a punitive incentive through the legal constraints of the bond to complete the work expected by the obligee.

Further, surety companies carefully underwrite applicants for bonds by examining the contractor's managerial and financial ability to undertake and complete a job. Thus, the requirement for surety bonds also serves to eliminate truly unqualified contractors from the bid process.

All public works contracts should include a requirement that the contractor furnish contract bonds, but you may choose to exercise discretion for certain types of jobs that have inconsequential cost or risk of other harm should a contractor fail to complete the work.

The surety bonds related to public work contracts include: Bid Bond, Performance Bond and Payment Bonds and Completion Bonds. Collectively, they are referred to as Contract Bonds.

A *Bid Bond* is a guarantee by the surety that the bidder for a public works contract will undertake the job at the quoted price and replace the bid bond with a performance bond.

A *Performance Bond* is a guarantee that if the bonded contractor fails to complete the bonded job as quoted, the surety will assume the contractor's financial responsibility to have the work completed.

A *Payment Bond* or Labor and Material Bond is a guarantee that the contractor will pay all the bills incurred on the work, as provided in the lien laws (subcontractors, suppliers, laborers).

A *Subdivision or Completion Bond* is a guarantee that if a developer or contractor fails to complete improvements required in a contract, the Obligee will assume the obligation.

The contractor should obtain a Performance and Payment Bond with penalties equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price as determined from the prices in the bid form. The bond amount may be adjusted from time to time as necessary to cover and satisfy all payment obligations arising from the contract.

The contractor should file the required bond with the public entity prior to or simultaneous with the execution of the contract.

Although bonds are most commonly used in construction agreements, there are other specific agreements where performance bonds may be used by your Entity. Purchase agreements for specific items such as software development or other products specifically engineered by the vendor may incorporate language requiring a performance/material bond.

Performance and Payments Bonds should be submitted on forms provided by the public entity. The surety should possess a minimum rating from A. M. Best Company of A:VII. Also, the surety or co-sureties should be listed as an acceptable surety on federal bonds by the United States Department of the Treasury, <a href="http://www.fms.treas.gov/c570/c570.html">http://www.fms.treas.gov/c570/c570.html</a>, subject to the maximum amount shown in the listing. If co-sureties are used, their bonds should be on a joint and several basis. In California, the only requirement by law is that the surety needs to be an admitted carrier with a valid surety license.



#### **Builders Risk Insurance (Course of Construction)**

Insurance for property under construction is called "Builder's Risk" or "Course of Construction" insurance. This type of insurance protects the interests of both the owner and contractor by covering property under construction as well as equipment and materials to be installed. Pricing takes into account changing values as construction nears completion.

In most cases the contractor provides builder's risk insurance on construction projects as a part of their construction services, and the recommended default position in the insurance specifications require the contractor to provide it to protect both their and your interest in property while in the course of construction. However, many public entities have Builder's Risk coverage as part of their own property policy, and many larger agencies, or those in large programs may be able to obtain broader or less expensive coverage from their own insurer. For large projects it's worth having a conversation with your broker about this and perhaps have the contractor provide a bid with and without the Builder's Risk cover in order to compare terms and pricing.

#### Items to consider include:

#### Perils

Coverage should be written on an "all risk" (aka "Special" policy form) basis, and the perils of earthquake and flood should be **considered** for inclusion, but can be problematic due to pricing considerations. In an "all risk" form, earthquake and flood are the major exclusions. Earthquake and flood coverage are normally optional based on the needs and location of the project. For example, earthquake and/or flood coverage must be included if a grant funding the project or financing arrangements (i.e., bonds) require it. In California, Public Contract Code 7105 limits the amount of coverage that can be required for an "Act of God" defined as earthquake or tsunami, so this code may need to be considered if earthquake or tsunami coverage is to be required.

#### Deductibles

Deductibles should be reasonable in relation to the financial ability of the parties and the size of the project. If your entity purchases the Builder's Risk Coverage, then you need to make clear who will be paying the deductible. Note that contractors typically purchase Boulder's Risk coverage with relatively low deductibles, \$5,000 to \$25,000. If your entity decides to purchase the Builder's Risk coverage, then you need to clearly state who is responsible for all or part of the deductible. The editors recommend that the contractor remain responsible for primary losses up to a specified amount so that contractor has an incentive to control and protect the job site.

## • Property Covered

At a minimum, the insurance should cover the full insurable value of the improvements. It may, at your Entity's option, also include consequential loss insurance, if your Entity could be harmed financially because of delay due to an insured loss. Coverage is available for both loss of revenue (rents or earnings) and for additional interest costs or expenses.



# Loss Payee Status

Your Entity should be named in the policy as a Loss Payee, to protect your interests with respect to the repair or replacement of any damaged property or other amounts payable under the policy. This means that any payment will have to include your Entity as a payee or otherwise have your written authority to make payment to someone else. Since both your entity and the contractor have an interest in the property while it's being constructed, payment might also include the contractor and/or other party making repairs.

#### • Valuation Basis

Coverage can be written based on the completed value of the project or by reporting changes in value on a monthly basis. Usually, the former method is preferred as it is less complex, and there is less of a chance of error resulting in inadequate insurance.

As builder's risk insurance is written specifically for the project, you should receive a complete copy of the policy. It is not necessary to provide sample endorsement or certificate forms in your specifications, but requirements for the coverage should be clearly stated in the bid documents.

#### **Installation Floater**

Insurance coverage for property (usually equipment) being installed by a contractor is called an "Installation Floater". Essentially, it is a specialized type of builders risk coverage that is often written on the same form used to provide builders risk coverage, but for projects where no real property construction is taking place.

# **Consolidated Insurance Programs (Wrap-Ups)**

Construction contracts may vary widely in scope and in degree of risk involved. Simple remodeling projects or building repairs can be addressed through the appropriate specifications as presented in **Exhibits 1 or 5.** Larger projects may require more sophisticated insurance techniques.

Large-scale construction projects involve numerous contractors, subcontractors, consultants, and other parties, all subject to a variety of risks arising out of the work. Because of the numerous parties involved, assuring adequate insurance protection for all concerned poses certain technical and logistical problems. An approach often advocated to deal with these complexities is called the Consolidated Insurance Program (CIP).

A CIP (often referred to as a "wrap up") usually involves procurement by the project owner (OCIP) or general contractor (CCIP) of certain insurance policies which protect both the project owner and various contractors and subcontractors involved in the construction. These coverages may include general liability, professional liability, workers' compensation, umbrella liability, and builder's risk. The owner or general contractor arranges for safety and loss control services, if any, beyond those provided by the insurer. A CIP works best on large projects where there are a number of contractors, where the project is labor intensive, where construction takes place in a limited geographical area, and where the owner or general contractor is committed to safety and loss control, including top quality claims management.

While entire books can be written on the advantages and disadvantages of CIP's, theoretically, the CIP concept should provide for cost savings to the owner due to purchasing



economies of scale, cash flow advantages from controlling premium payments, potential for dividend returns and potential for savings due to coordinated loss control. In practice however, a number of factors can reduce or eliminate these potential savings. Some of these factors may include:

> Insufficient contractor motivation to control losses.

Many contractors do not realize that workers' compensation losses on a CIP project will affect the contractor's experience modifier. The contractor may therefore be more highly motivated to complete the project ahead of schedule or under budget than to pay attention to safety.

➤ Inclusion of contractor insurance charges.

Depending on the competitive environment, contractors may include the cost of insurance in its bid pricing. Additionally, the contractor may feel it necessary to charge for difference in conditions coverage to fill any gaps in the owner's insurance program as it applies to the contractor.

➤ Inclusion of non project-related claims.

If a contractor has employees assigned to the project who also work on other projects for the contractor, it is possible that workers' compensation claims not related to the project may show up on the owner's loss runs.

> Increased administrative costs.

In order to obtain the cost-saving benefits, the owner of a CIP project must provide superior loss control services either through staff or contractors. Keeping track of various workers' compensation insurance policies and other paperwork adds administrative expense to the project.

To a certain extent, all of the above factors can be controlled. If properly administered, the CIP concept should generate cost savings, some of which may be realized by the project owner. Because of the variables cited above and other factors, precision in estimating savings usually is not possible.

Other than possible savings, a major incentive for using a CIP is to avoid the reduction in coverage for the Entity as an additional insured under the recent editions of the CG 20 10 and CG 20 37 endorsements. Other reasons for using a CIP include better control of claims involving potential multiple defendants, and the comfort of knowing that adequate insurance is in place. Because there is a single policy for liability insurance, limits and breadth of coverage under a CIP are known and uniform, rather than a patchwork quilt of different insurance that might be purchased by the various contractors. A CIP eliminates much of the need for establishing insurance specifications in each contract with each contractor, as the owner provides the insurance. Also, the paperwork burden of keeping up with certificates is greatly reduced.

# **>** Other Provisions of the Construction Contract Insurance Requirements.

**Limits:** the recommended minimum limit for general liability is \$5 million per occurrence. The higher limit is appropriate for general contractors on any new construction or major remodel projects. Subcontractors in areas of higher risk, such



as electric, roofing, or plumbing work, should have limits above the standard minimum of \$1 million (or \$2 million as recommended in this IRIC). Please refer to the chart in Appendix D, for a reference to suggested minimum limits for a variety of construction and other risks.

# • Extended Coverage and Additional Insured Status

For many types of construction projects, the reader is advised to consider requiring that the contractor maintain general liability coverage **and** maintain your entity's status as an additional insured for a period of time after completion. This is due to the fact that defects in construction may not become evident or cause damage for many years after completion, and you want to be certain the contractor has coverage naming you as an additional insured when that damage first occurs.

For example, your entity hires a contractor to replace a sewer line. Four years later, neighboring homeowners file a claim alleging negligent construction of the line has caused their patios to shift and crack. The contractor's policy at the time the damages first began, say three years after construction and a heavy rain, is the first policy to respond to the loss. While your entity may be able to rely on the hold harmless agreement, and the contractor may have insurance at that time, you will not have the added protection of additional insured status.

• For new and larger construction projects, requesting coverage for up to 5 to 7 years, or even longer, is recommended. The Instruction Form to be used for the insurance specifications has space for requesting coverage beyond the construction completion. As a minimum, and for smaller projects, your entity should request additional insured status until the expiration of the policy in force when the project is completed.

# • Design/Build Contracts

For contracts with construction risk we have added coverage requirements for professional liability. The professional liability coverage is necessary for "design/build" contracts where the contractor is expected to provide engineering and architectural services.

#### **Environmental Contractors and Consultants**

Environmental issues are becoming an increasing concern and responsibility of municipal risk managers both as the owner of potentially contaminated property and as the jurisdiction responsible for the permit process. Entities are increasingly recognizing their exposure as generators and transporters of hazardous materials and pollutants. Entities are involved in issuing easement permits for access to their property involving both groundwater and soil contamination testing and potential cleanup of pollution generators within their communities.

**Exhibit 6** (at the end of the chapter) addresses the availability of coverage for the unique risks associated with environmental issues in today's insurance market. When testing and cleanup are either mandated or desired, a common public goal must be met. There are very few insurance companies underwriting these unusual risks, and they are reluctant to amend the policy conditions. Careful research and compromise on the part of the risk manager is recommended.



Many times the standard insurance requirements as set forth in other sections of this manual may not be achievable for environmental contractors and/or consultants. An example is the issuance of encroachment permits relating to environmental work. Frequently contractors and consultants are not made aware of the Entity's requirements when responding to the private sector, and many times the contractor's insurance companies will not comply with standard requirements. Therefore, these standards must be flexible to allow for compliance by the few professional firms experienced in environmental testing and cleanup, since they will not typically be aware of your Entity's specific requirements until they have been hired by the private sector firm to conduct testing. Without preventing the needed testing or cleanup, the Entity must recognize how to transfer risk with the best protection for the Entity while still reaching the common goal.

**Exhibit 6** contains insurance requirements appropriate for environmental contractors and/or consultants. If you cannot verify the A.M. Best rating of the insurance company, or if the coverage is written by a Risk Retention Group or captive insurance company, you may want to check with your insurance advisor for further information about the market.

It is fairly obvious that environmental remediation, asbestos abatement, and other hazardous material operations involve exposures that require pollution legal liability coverage, but some contracts have pollution exposures that are not in the primary scope of work. For example, materials recovery/recycling facilities are rife with hazardous materials exposures, as are landfill operations. Road construction can also include risks of contamination to waterways from runoff or accidents involving hazardous substances.

Note that pollution policies now come in many formats such as:

- First party clean up of the insured's property
- Third party clean up and bodily injury if the insured's pollutants impact other properties
- Cost Cap coverage to protect the insured from cost overruns or surprises for cleanup of properties with known pollutants
- Landfill closure coverage to comply with Federal financial responsibility requirements

The areas of coverage are as varied as the exposures and the pollution liability and clean up insurance market is now well developed to respond to the insured's needs – but for a price!

**Note:** Automobile, Contractors Pollution Liability, Asbestos Pollution, and/or Errors & Omissions insurance carriers may not name the Entity as additional insured. If the Entity cannot be named as additional insured, you should request a letter from the insurance company confirming their position.

# **Transporters of Hazardous Materials and Wastes**

Entities are increasingly recognizing their exposure as generator and transporter of hazardous materials and pollutants. It is important to know that all motor carriers and drivers involved in transportation of hazardous materials must comply with requirements contained in federal and state regulations and must apply for and obtain a hazardous materials transportation license. Additionally, transporters of hazardous wastes are required to carry the MCS-90.



The MCS-90 is a required endorsement to a business automobile policy for hazardous material/waste transporters. It originated in response to the Motor Carrier Act of 1980. Its purpose is to ensure that funds are available for damages arising from a trucking accident that involves hazardous materials. However, it only applies to vehicles subject to financial assurance requirements of the Act; that is, which are subject to Federal jurisdiction. It may not provide coverage in situations where substances are transported that do not specifically fall within the definitions contained in the Act.

What is a hazardous material? The California Water Bill defines hazardous material as "any material that, because of its quantity, concentration, or physical or chemical characteristics, poses a significant presence or potential hazard to human health and safety, or to the environment." Hazardous materials include, but are not limited to, hazardous substances and hazardous wastes.

A hazardous waste is a waste or combination of wastes that because of its quantity, concentration, or physical, chemical, or infectious characteristics may do either of the following:

- Equation Cause or significantly contribute to an increase in serious irreversible illness or death; or
- ➤ Pose a substantial hazard to human health or the environment when improperly treated, stored, transported or disposed of.

A hazardous substance is any substance or chemical product for which any of the following applies:

- The substance is listed as hazardous by the US Department of Transportation;
- ➤ The substance is listed on the "Director's List of Hazardous Substances," which is maintained by CalOSHA;
- The substance is listed as radioactive by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission; or
- ➤ The manufacturer or producer is required to prepare a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for the substance.

Even if a contract does not involve hauling waste which is statutorily defined as hazardous, the Entity may consider the waste a hazard and should be requiring ISO Form CA 99 48 03 06 – Pollution Liability – Broadened Coverage for Covered Autos. This form should be required of municipal solid waste haulers, construction debris roll off services and haulers of other items which may be caustic but not defined as falling within the statute.

**Exhibit 6** contains insurance requirements appropriate for environmental contractors and/or consultants. These same insurance requirements are appropriate for transporters of hazardous wastes.



# Exhibit 5:

# **Insurance Requirements for Construction Contracts**

Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract, *and for x years thereafter*, insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by the Contractor, his agents, representatives, employees, or subcontractors.

#### MINIMUM SCOPE AND LIMIT OF INSURANCE

Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

- 1. Commercial General Liability (CGL): Insurance Services Office Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products and completed operations, property damage, bodily injury and personal & advertising injury with limits no less than \$5,000,000 per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
- 2. **Automobile Liability**: Insurance Services Office Form Number CA 0001 covering Code 1 (any auto), with limits no less than \$5,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
- 3. **Workers' Compensation** insurance as required by the State of California, with Statutory Limits, and Employers' Liability insurance with a limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease.
- 4. **Builder's Risk** (Course of Construction) insurance utilizing an "All Risk" (Special Perils) coverage form, with limits equal to the completed value of the project and no coinsurance penalty provisions.
- 5. **Surety Bonds** as described below.
- 6. **Professional Liability** (if Design/Build), with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence or claim, and \$2,000,000 policy aggregate.
- 7. **Contractors' Pollution Legal Liability** and/or Asbestos Legal Liability and/or Errors and Omissions (if project involves environmental hazards) with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence or claim, and \$2,000,000 policy aggregate.

If the contractor maintains higher limits than the minimums shown above, the Entity requires and shall be entitled to coverage for the higher limits maintained by the contractor. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the Entity.

# **Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions**

Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the Entity. At the option of the Entity, either: the contractor shall cause the insurer shall reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers; or the Contractor shall provide a financial guarantee satisfactory to the Entity guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses.



#### Other Insurance Provisions

The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

- 1. The Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations and automobiles owned, leased, hired, or borrowed by or on behalf of the Contractor. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Contractor's insurance (at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10, CG 11 85 or both CG 20 10 and CG 20 37 forms if later revisions used).
- 2. For any claims related to this project, the **Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary** insurance as respects the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, or volunteers shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.
- 3. Each insurance policy required by this clause shall provide that coverage shall not be canceled, except with notice to the Entity.

# Builder's Risk (Course of Construction) Insurance

Contractor may submit evidence of Builder's Risk insurance in the form of Course of Construction coverage. Such coverage shall **name the Entity as a loss payee** as their interest may appear.

If the project does not involve new or major reconstruction, at the option of the Entity, an Installation Floater may be acceptable. For such projects, a Property Installation Floater shall be obtained that provides for the improvement, remodel, modification, alteration, conversion or adjustment to existing buildings, structures, processes, machinery and equipment. The Property Installation Floater shall provide property damage coverage for any building, structure, machinery or equipment damaged, impaired, broken, or destroyed during the performance of the Work, including during transit, installation, and testing at the Entity's site.

#### Claims Made Policies

If any coverage required is written on a claims-made coverage form:

- 1. The retroactive date must be shown, and this date must be before the execution date of the contract or the beginning of contract work.
- 2. Insurance must be maintained and evidence of insurance must be provided for at least five (5) years after completion of contract work.
- 3. If coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced with another claims-made policy form with a retroactive date prior to the contract effective, or start of work date, the Contractor must purchase extended reporting period coverage for a minimum of five (5) years after completion of contract work.
- 4. A copy of the claims reporting requirements must be submitted to the Entity for review.



5. If the services involve lead-based paint or asbestos identification/remediation, the Contractors Pollution Liability policy shall not contain lead-based paint or asbestos exclusions. If the services involve mold identification/remediation, the Contractors Pollution Liability policy shall not contain a mold exclusion, and the definition of Pollution shall include microbial matter, including mold.

# Acceptability of Insurers

Insurance is to be placed with insurers with a current A.M. Best rating of no less than A: VII, unless otherwise acceptable to the Entity.

# Waiver of Subrogation

Contractor hereby agrees to waive rights of subrogation which any insurer of Contractor may acquire from Contractor by virtue of the payment of any loss. Contractor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation. The Workers' Compensation policy shall be endorsed with a waiver of subrogation in favor of the Entity for all work performed by the Contractor, its employees, agents and subcontractors.

# Verification of Coverage

Contractor shall furnish the Entity with original certificates and amendatory endorsements, or copies of the applicable insurance language, effecting coverage required by this contract. All certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the Entity before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Contractor's obligation to provide them. The Entity reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements, required by these specifications, at any time.

### Subcontractors

Contractor shall require and verify that all subcontractors maintain insurance meeting all the requirements stated herein, and Contractor shall ensure that Entity is an additional insured on insurance required from subcontractors. For CGL coverage subcontractors shall provide coverage with a format least as broad as CG 20 38 04 13.

#### Surety Bonds

Contractor shall provide the following Surety Bonds:

- 1. Bid bond
- 2. Performance bond
- 3. Payment bond
- 4. Maintenance bond

The Payment Bond and the Performance Bond shall be in a sum equal to the contract price. If the Performance Bond provides for a one-year warranty a separate Maintenance Bond is not necessary. If the warranty period specified in the contract is for longer than one year a Maintenance Bond equal to 10% of the contract price is required. Bonds shall be duly executed by a responsible corporate surety, authorized to issue such bonds in the State of California and secured through an authorized agent with an office in California.



# Special Risks or Circumstances

Entity reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other circumstances.



# Exhibit 6:

# <u>Insurance Requirements for Environmental Contractors and/or</u> Consultants

Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damage to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder and the results of that work by the Contractor, his agents, representatives, employees, or subcontractors. With respect to General Liability, Errors & Omissions, Contractors Pollution Liability, and/or Asbestos Pollution Liability, coverage should be maintained for a minimum of five (5) years after contract completion.

#### MINIMUM SCOPE AND LIMIT OF INSURANCE

Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

- 1. Commercial General Liability (CGL): Insurance Services Office Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products and completed operations, property damage, bodily injury and personal & advertising injury with limits no less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
- 2. **Automobile Liability:** Insurance Services Office Form Number CA 0001 covering any auto (Code 1), or if Contractor has no owned autos, hired (Code 8) and non-owned (Code 9) autos, with limit no less than **\$1,000,000** per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
- 3. **Workers' Compensation** insurance as required by the State of California, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease.
- 4. Contractors Pollution Liability and/or Asbestos Pollution Liability and/or Errors & Omissions applicable to the work being performed, with a limit no less than \$1,000,000 per claim or occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate per policy period of one year.

If the contractor maintains higher limits than the minimums shown above, the Entity requires and shall be entitled to coverage for the higher limits maintained by the contractor. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the Entity.

#### Deductible and Self Insured Retentions

Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the Entity. At the option of the Entity, the Contractor shall provide coverage to reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers; or the Contractor shall provide evidence satisfactory to the Entity guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses.



#### Other Insurance Provisions

- A. The General Liability, Automobile Liability, Contractors Pollution Liability, and/or Asbestos Pollution policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:
  - 1. The Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Contractor's insurance (at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10, CG 11 85 or both CG 20 10 and CG 20 37 forms if later revisions used).
  - 2. For any claims related to this project, **the Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance** as respects the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, agents, or volunteers shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.
  - 3. Each insurance policy required above shall provide that coverage shall not be canceled, except with notice to the Entity.
- B. The Automobile Liability policy shall be endorsed to include Transportation Pollution Liability insurance, covering materials to be transported by Contractor pursuant to the contract. This coverage may also be provided on the Contractors Pollution Liability policy.
- C. If General Liability, Contractors Pollution Liability and/or Asbestos Pollution Liability and/or Errors & Omissions coverages are written on a claims-made form:
  - 1. The retroactive date must be shown, and must be before the date of the contract or the beginning of contract work.
  - 2. Insurance must be maintained and evidence of insurance must be provided for at least five (5) years after completion of the contract of work.
  - 3. If coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced with another claims-made policy form with a retroactive date prior to the contract effective date, the Contractor must purchase an extended period coverage for a minimum of five (5) years after completion of contract work.
  - 4. A copy of the claims reporting requirements must be submitted to the Entity for review.
  - 5. If the services involve lead-based paint or asbestos identification / remediation, the Contractors Pollution Liability shall not contain lead-based paint or asbestos exclusions. If the services involve mold identification / remediation, the Contractors Pollution Liability shall not contain a mold exclusion and the definition of "Pollution" shall include microbial matter including mold.



# Acceptability of Insurers

Insurance is to be placed with insurers with a current A.M. Best rating of no less than A:VII if admitted in the State of California. If Contractors Pollution Liability, Asbestos Pollution and/or Errors & Omissions coverages are not available from an admitted insurer, the coverage may be written by a non-admitted insurance company. A non-admitted company should have an A.M. Best rating of A:X or higher. Exception may be made for the California State Compensation Insurance Fund if not rated.

# Verification of Coverage

Contractor shall furnish the Entity with original certificates and amendatory endorsements, or copies of the applicable insurance language, effecting coverage required by this contract. All certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the Entity before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Contractor's obligation to provide them. The Entity reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by these specifications, at any time.

# Waiver of Subrogation

Contractor hereby grants to Entity a waiver of subrogation which any insurer may acquire against Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers, from Contractor by virtue of the payment of any loss. Contractor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the Entity has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

The Workers' Compensation policy shall be endorsed with a waiver of subrogation in favor of the Entity for all work performed by the Contractor, its employees, agents, and subcontractors.

#### Subcontractors

Contractor shall require and verify that all subcontractors maintain insurance meeting all the requirements stated herein, and Contractor shall ensure that Entity is an additional insured on insurance required from subcontractors. For CGL coverage subcontractors shall provide coverage with a format least as broad as CG 20 38 04 13.

#### Special Risks or Circumstances

Entity reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.



# **Sample Forms: Surety Bonds**

# **Performance Bond**

	BOND NOPREMIUM:
WHEREAS, The, "Obligee") and (hereinafter designated into an agreement whereby principal agrees to install and complete improvements, which said agreement, dated	(hereinafter designated as as "Principal") have entered certain designated public
project is hereby referred to and made a pa	art hereof; and
WHEREAS, Said principal is required under the terms of said a for the faithful performance of said agreement;	greement to furnish a bond
NOW, THEREFORE, We, the principal and and firmly bound unto the hereinafter called "The Obligee," dollars (\$) la	wful money of the United
States for the payment of which sum well and truly to be made, we successors, executors and administrators, jointly and severally firmly by the	
The condition of this obligation is such that if the above bound executors, administrators, successors or assigns, shall in all things stand to truly keep and perform the covenants, conditions and provisions in the alteration thereof made as therein provided, on his or their part, to be kept and in the manner therein specified, and in all respects according to their the shall indemnify and save harmless the Obligee, its officers, agents stipulated, then this obligation shall become null and void; otherwise it force and effect.	o and abide by, and well and ne said agreement and any and perform and at the time rue intent and meaning, and and employees, as therein
As part of the obligation secured hereby and in addition to therefore, there shall be included costs and reasonable expenses and attorney's fees, incurred by county in successfully enforcing such obligational and included in any judgment rendered.	fees, including reasonable
The surety hereby stipulates and agrees that no change, externaddition to the terms of the agreement or to the work to be performed the accompanying the same shall in any wise affect its obligations on this bornotice of any such change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the the work or to the specifications.	ereunder or the specification ad, and it does hereby waive
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument has been duly exe surety above named, on	cuted by the principal and
Ву	
PRINCIPAL	
By:	
ATTORNEY-IN-FACT	



# **Payment Bond Public Works**

BOND NO.:
KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we,
, ,
Principal, and, incorporated under the laws of the State of and authorized to execute bonds and undertakings as sole surety,
Surety, are held and firmly bound unto any and all persons named in California Civil Co-
Section 1181 whose claim has not been paid by the contractor, company or corporation,
the aggregate total of dollars (\$), for the payme
whereof, well and truly to be made, said Principal and Surety bind themselves, their heir
administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these present.
The Condition of the foregoing obligation is such that; whereas the above bound
Principal has entered into a contract, dated, with the
to do the following work, to-wit:
to do the following work, to wit.
NOW, THEREFORE, if the above bounden Principal contractor, person, company
corporation, or his or its subcontractor, fails to pay any claimant named in Section 3181
the Civil Code of the State of California, or amounts due under the Unemployment Insuran
Code, with respect to work or labor performed by any such claimant, that, the Surety on the
bond will pay the same, in an amount not exceeding the aggregate sum specified in this bon
and also in case suit is brought upon this bond, a reasonable attorney's fee, which shall
awarded by the court to the prevailing party in said suit, said attorney's fee to be taxes
costs in said suit.
This bond shall inure to the benefit of any person named in Section 3181 of the Civ
Code of the State of California so as to vie a right of action to them or their assignees in an
suit brought upon this bond.
This bond is executed and filed to comply with the provisions of the act
Legislature of the State of California as designated in Civil Code Sections 3247-325
inclusive, and all amendments thereto.
Signed and sealed this,, day of,,
BY
BY
ATTORNEY-IN-FACT



# CHAPTER FOUR: SPECIAL SITUATIONS

#### **SUMMARY**

This chapter covers a number of situations in which special commercial insurance should be required or when personal lines insurance may be acceptable.

# **Cyber Risks & Electronic Data Processing (EDP)**

As our reliance on computer technology and use of the Internet continues to grow and change, so, too, do the risks of loss and potential liability arising from such use and from services provided to or from third parties. These risks include loss of stored data, theft of data, disruption of network capabilities, and disclosure of private information. Given the relatively new and evolving nature of these risks, the ability to transfer them via traditional insurance or contractual indemnity has been limited. However, as the nature of the risks have become more known, techniques and insurance products have emerged to treat them.

These risks and the related management techniques can be broken down into first party risks, related to damages directly to an entity's own systems or data, and third party risks related to liability to others for breaches of security that may lead to loss of privacy or potential for identity theft. The reader is advised to review his or her own insurance policies and/or discuss these risks with his or her insurance advisor to determine the extent to which his or her current program covers his or her entity for these risks. Standard property and liability policies generally provide little to no protection for such risks, while standard crime policies may offer some protection. Customized policies are also offered to cover both the first and third party risks an entity may face.

For purposes of drafting hold harmless language and insurance requirements for contracts with third parties who may provide data processing services to your entity, the reader is advised to work closely with his or her legal, technical, and insurance advisors to ensure the broadest possible indemnity, not limited to bodily injury or property damage, and ensure that the contractor has the appropriate professional or "cyber" liability insurance to cover breaches of data security. Beyond that, questions should be asked about the contractor's data security procedures, including whether or not they have been audited to SAS 70 standards regarding their controls over information technology and related processes. In drafting the agreement, it is suggested that the following points be taken into consideration:

Remember that at some point in the future, the entity's agreement with a data system vendor will likely end and that the entity will want access to all data in a usable format within a reasonable period of time. Returned data should include tables and indexes, number of records and any other useful information so that the entity can utilize the data. We suggest adding a special termination clause that allows the entity to recover its data for a special fee, without regard to any other dispute that may be pending with the vendor.



- Require that the vendor notify the entity of a breach even if no data was lost.
- Require that data be backed up in a secure fashion and that entity have access to back ups.
- Require minimum response and recovery time.
- Require an independent audit of operations.
- Require the standard insurance requirements plus add a requirement for some form of "cyber liability coverage" that includes
  - Security and privacy liability
  - Media liability
  - o Business interruption and extra expense
  - o Cyber extortion

You should work with legal counsel to identify proper insurance and indemnity requirements for specific contracting situations involving cyber exposures. The following language may serve as a starting point in your entity's considerations:

Without limiting any of the obligations or liabilities of Vendor, Vendor shall carry and maintain, at its own expense including any applicable deductibles or retentions, as long as respective, applicable statute(s) of limitation or repose are in effect relating to the specific purposes of this Agreement, insurance policies of the kind and limits listed below and with insurers with an A.M. Best's Rating of not less than A-VIII at all times. Accordingly, Vendor will maintain the following insurance requirements:

Cyber Liability insurance with limits of not less than \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ for each occurrence and an annual aggregate of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ covering claims involving privacy violations, information theft, damage to or destruction of electronic information, intentional and/or unintentional release of private information, alteration of electronic information, extortion and network security. Such coverage is required only if any products and/or services related to information technology (including hardware and/or software) are provided to Insured and for claims involving any professional services for which Vendor is engaged with Insured for such length of time as necessary to cover any and all claims

#### Teaching, Coaching, and Childcare

An often overlooked exposure for public entities that run day care, provide after school programs, or provide coaches for recreational activities is the potential for claims of abuse or molestation. It's a sad fact of life for those in the teaching professions and an exposure that is not covered by standard general liability policies. A specialized policy form, often referred to as Educators Legal Liability (ELL) insurance is recommended.

ELL is designed to cover a broad range of nonbodily injury/nonproperty damage liability claims made against the administrators, employees, and staff members of both schools and colleges. ELL, which is also known as "school board legal liability insurance," is a hybrid of traditional directors and officers and errors and omissions coverages. Recommended ELL coverage insures the entity or institution, its trustees, directors, officers, and employees (at



the option of the educational institution) against liability arising out of bodily injury, personal injury, and third-party property damage occurring because of wrongful or negligent acts attributable to the institution. Its broad coverage protects against a wide range of potential claims, including but not limited to athletics, alcohol, international studies, campus crime, security guards, transportation of students, sexual molestation, and other sexual misconduct.

For this exposure, use Exhibit 2, for Professional Services, and substitute ELL or equivalent for the Professional Liability insurance.

#### **Contracts with Private Parties**

Occasionally, your Entity will enter into contracts with private individuals. A common example may be rental of a facility for private usage, such as a park, meeting hall, or historic building for holding a wedding or other private gathering, or rental of a booth at a community fair. Recreational activity instructors may also be individuals working part-time or as a hobby. As private individuals (and some small nonprofit organizations) do not normally purchase commercial liability insurance, other forms of financial guarantee may be needed.

Most homeowner insurers will provide additional insured coverage to another party if requested. Thus an individual who purchases a homeowner's policy or tenant's package policy would be able to ask his or her insurance agent to provide the additional insured endorsement. See Exhibit 7 for a set of recommended insurance specifications that allow for homeowner's insurance.

Be aware that most private individuals do not carry large amounts of liability insurance. Unless the homeowner purchases personal umbrella liability coverage, limits on the homeowner's or tenant's package policy are likely to be in the vicinity of \$300,000 to \$500,000. However, the risks involved in a private party event may be just as severe as those in a commercial contract. Crowd exposures and food poisoning are examples.

One possible alternative to endorsement on a homeowner's policy is to require the purchase of Special Event coverage. For those Entities that frequently rent or lease facilities, Special Event coverage may be attractive. Coverage is negotiated by your Entity, and a master policy is issued to your Entity by the insurer. Each tenant applies for and pays the premium on coverage for the special event. The insurer issues a binder for that event only. Coverage applies to the event holder as well as the Entity. The advantage of Special Event coverage is that your Entity can determine coverage and limits. Contact your risk management advisor for information concerning the availability of a Special Events insurance program for your Entity.

#### **Instructors**

Many public entities offer a wide variety of recreational classes and programs, from creative writing, to yoga, dance, tennis, and karate lessons. And while many of these activities are considered low risk, many are not. In spite of this, many entities do not practice the contract and insurance recommendations contained in this manual; indeed, many do not require a written contract with instructors. It is recommended that at very least the entity require a written contract containing a scope of work, with a hold harmless in favor of the entity and a waiver of claims against the entity. For high-risk activities and full-time instructors, it is



recommended that the entity also require general liability coverage with additional insured protection. Note that coverage for instructors is available for specific classes, similar to special events coverage. See Exhibit 8 for recommended insurance specifications.

#### **Special Events & Short Term Rentals**

Public entities also sponsor a wide variety of special events or allow them to be held on their property. For each event not sponsored by the entity, a permit should be issued to a legitimate sponsoring organization that contains a hold harmless and a requirement for general liability insurance naming the entity as an additional insured. Where the sponsoring organization contracts with others to hold the event, the entity should also request proof of insurance and additional insured status from that party. Special event coverage is also available to protect the renter and your agency, including one program offered by Alliant. Ask your insurance advisor or search the Internet for Special Event Coverage for more details.

Exhibit 7 may be used for both short-term rentals of facilities and for outdoor special events. Note that the specifications also address the issue of liquor liability insurance. As a general rule, any person who is in the business of manufacturing, distributing, or selling alcohol must have liquor liability coverage. This includes a caterer who is supplying alcohol or a non-profit selling beer or wine at a street fair to raise money. These entities should also have a permit issued by the local Alcohol Bureau of Control (ABC) board. Otherwise, if the renter is supplying alcohol for no charge, their coverage should include host liquor liability, and most general liability policies do provide such coverage.

The ISO form CG 20 01 Additional Insured form should be considered for short term facilities use agreements.

#### Other Specialized Professional Liability Insurance

There are a variety of specialized professional services that may require a unique type of professional liability coverage. The reader is advised to use Exhibit 2 for the insurance specifications but may need to customize the language based on the unique exposure presented. One such exposure is investment banking, and the following is provided as a sample of how to address it in the contract.

#### **Investment Bankers Errors and Omissions Insurance**

At all times during the term of this Agreement, Consultant agrees to maintain Investment Bankers Errors and Omissions Insurance coverage for claims arising from the negligent acts, errors, or omissions for services or operations performed by the Consultant under this Agreement. The Consultant shall ensure both that (1) any policy retroactive date is on or before the date of commencement of the Project; and (2) any policy has a reporting period of at least two years after the date of completion or termination of this Agreement. The Consultant agrees that, for the time period defined above, any changes that reduce coverage will be presented to Entity for review.

#### Garagekeeper's Legal Liability Insurance

This protects parking lot operators who provide valet parking, car dealers, and garage owners against liability for damage to vehicles in their care, custody, or control. The garagekeeper



who accepts another's property for repair or keeping becomes a bailee. The law imposes certain legal responsibilities on a bailee. These responsibilities are normally excluded by general liability policies under the care, custody, and control exclusion. Therefore, this coverage is needed.

#### Marina Operator's Legal Liability Insurance

This coverage is another form of bailee liability insurance that protects marina operators against liability for damage to boats in their custody. Tenants who berth at the marina are potential claimants for damage to their boat while in its slip.



# **Exhibit 7: Insurance Requirements for Rental of Facilities**

Renter shall procure and maintain for the duration of the rental period insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the rental of the facilities and the activities of the renter, his guests, agents, representatives, employees, or subcontractors.

#### MINIMUM SCOPE AND LIMIT OF INSURANCE

Coverage shall be at least as broad as Insurance Services Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including property damage, bodily injury and personal & advertising injury with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.

If the contractor maintains higher limits than the minimums shown above, the Entity requires and shall be entitled to coverage for the higher limits maintained by the contractor. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the Entity.

#### **Other Insurance Provisions**

The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

#### Additional Insured Status

The Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of the rental of the facility, work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Renter including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Renter's insurance (at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or if not available, through the addition of both CG 20 10 and CG 20 37 if a later edition is used).

#### Primary Coverage

For any claims related to this contract, the Renter's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, or volunteers shall be excess of the Renter's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

#### Notice of Cancellation

Each insurance policy required above shall provide that coverage shall not be canceled, except with notice to the Entity.

#### Waiver of Subrogation

Renter hereby grants to Entity a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said Renter may acquire against the Entity by virtue of the payment of any loss under such



insurance. Renter agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the Entity has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer

#### Acceptability of Insurers

Insurance is to be placed with insurers with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A:VII, unless otherwise acceptable to the Entity.

#### Verification of Coverage

Renter shall furnish the Entity with original certificates and amendatory endorsements effecting coverage required by this clause. All certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the Entity at least five days before Renter commences activities.

#### Liquor Liability

If Renter will be supplying alcoholic beverages, the general liability insurance shall include host liquor liability coverage. If Renter is using a caterer or other vendor to supply alcohol that vendor must have liquor liability coverage. If Renter intends to sell alcohol either the Renter or vendor providing the alcohol for sale must have a valid liquor sales license and liquor liability insurance covering the sale of alcohol.

#### **Homeowners Insurance**

In some cases the Renter's homeowner's liability insurance may provide coverage sufficient to meet these requirements. Renter should provide these requirements to his or her agent to confirm and provide verification to the Entity.

#### **Special Events Coverage**

Special events coverage is available for an additional fee to provide the liability insurance required by this agreement. Renter can obtain additional information and cost from Entity.

#### **Special Risks or Circumstances**

Entity reserves the right to modify these requirements based on the nature of the risk, prior events, insurance coverage, or other special circumstances.



# **Exhibit 8: Insurance Requirements for Instructors**

Instructor shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder and the results of that work by the Instructor, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors.

#### MINIMUM SCOPE AND LIMIT OF INSURANCE

Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

- 1. Commercial General Liability (CGL): Insurance Services Office Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including property damage, bodily injury and personal & advertising injury with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
- 2. **Automobile Liability:** Insurance Services Office Form Number CA 0001 covering, Code 1 (any auto), or if Instructor has no owned autos, Code 8 (hired) and 9 (nonowned), with limits no less than **\$1,000,000** per **accident for** bodily injury and property damage. (**Note** required only if auto is used in performance of work)
- 3. **Workers' Compensation** insurance as required by the State of California, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease. (**Note** required only if Instructor has employees).

If the contractor maintains higher limits than the minimums shown above, the Entity requires and shall be entitled to coverage for the higher limits maintained by the contractor. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the Entity.

#### **Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions**

Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the Entity. The Entity may require the Instructor to provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses within the retention.

#### **Other Insurance Provisions**

The general liability policy is to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

- 1. The Entity, its officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Instructor including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations.
- 2. For any claims related to this contract, the **Instructor's insurance coverage shall be primary** insurance as respects the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers.



- 3. The Insurance Company agrees to **waive all rights of subrogation** against the Entity, its elected or appointed officers, officials, agents, and employees for losses paid under the terms of any policy which arise from work performed by the Instructor for the Entity. This provision also applies to the Instructor's Workers' Compensation policy.
- 4. Each insurance policy required above shall provide that coverage shall not be canceled, except with notice to the Entity.

#### Acceptability of Insurers

Insurance is to be placed with insurers with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A: VII, unless otherwise acceptable to the Entity.

#### Verification of Coverage

Instructor shall furnish the Entity with original certificates and amendatory endorsements effecting coverage required by this clause. All certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the Entity before work commences. The Entity reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements affecting the coverage required by these specifications, at any time.

#### Homeowner's Insurance

In some cases the Instructor's homeowner's liability insurance may provide coverage sufficient to meet these requirements. Instructor should provide these requirements to his or her agent to confirm and provide verification to the Entity.

#### **Special Events Coverage for Instructors**

Special events coverage is available for an additional fee to provide the liability insurance required by this agreement. Instructor can obtain additional information and cost from the Entity.

#### Special or Low Risk Activities

Entity reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances. The Entity reserves the right to modify or waive insurance requirements for certain low risk recreational activities.



## CHAPTER FIVE: VERIFY COVERAGES

#### **SUMMARY**

Your Entity should require the responsible party to submit acceptable proof of insurance before work can begin or premises are occupied. As proof of coverage, most insurance agents are accustomed to preparing, signing, and submitting an insurance industry-designed certificate of insurance. In addition to the certificate(s), you should require endorsements to the policy for additional insured status on the general liability policy and other requested protection, such as a waiver of subrogation endorsement for Workers' Compensation. For major projects, or to be as certain as possible about coverage and compliance with requirements, you should obtain a copy of the complete insurance policy and read it carefully.

A contractor's insurance agent or broker will provide verification of compliance with your insurance specifications by issuing a Certificate of Insurance and any endorsements that may be needed to comply with other requested insurance provisions, including additional insured status for your entity. Because of their importance in verifying coverage and securing your entity's rights as an additional insured on the Contractor's policy, this Chapter will focus on these documents.

## **Typical Contractors Insurance Program**

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#### **Certificates of Insurance Guidelines**

You will be receiving certificates of insurance from various tenants, vendors, and contractors, such as those hired to perform tenant improvements, alterations, and additions. Consequently, it is essential that you be able to understand these certificates and compare the information provided to the applicable insurance requirements in a lease or other contract.

The following guidelines are designed to assist you with this process.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### What is a certificate?

A certificate of insurance is a document that gives evidence of the insured's financial ability (via an insurance policy) to respond to a claim. No coverage benefits are afforded to the certificate holder; the certificate merely confirms that the subject company carries insurance.

#### Why are certificates needed?

Certificates give evidence that the other party has appropriate insurance to cover the claims for which they are responsible.

#### When are certificates needed?

Certificates are needed when another party (such as a contractor janitorial service, security service, etc.) performs services on your behalf or has property in its care, custody, and control (e.g. leasing your premises or your equipment).

#### Who should provide the certificate?

The other party's insurance agent, broker, or risk management department should provide the certificate to you, and it should be signed by an authorized representative of the issuer.

#### **Certificates of Insurance**

Section 384 of the California Insurance Code clarifies the role of certificates of insurance in relation to the insurance policies which they describe:

A certificate of insurance or verification of insurance provided as evidence of insurance in lieu of an actual copy of the insurance policy shall contain the following statements or words to the effect of:

This certificate or verification of insurance is not an insurance policy and does not amend, extend or alter the coverage afforded by the policies listed herein. Notwithstanding any requirement, term or condition of any contract or other document with respect to which this certificate or verification of insurance may be issued or may pertain, the insurance afforded by the policies described herein is subject to all the terms, exclusions and conditions of such policies.

This wording means that if the certificate is not accurate, the insurer is not required to conform to the certificate. Also, any statements made on the certificate, such as cancellation notice provisions or naming your Entity as an additional insured, do not affect the policy.



Occasionally, insurance agents or insurers may make errors when issuing certificates of insurance. The most common errors involve description of additional insureds and notice of cancellation. When these errors on the certificate conflict with terms found in the policy, the policy governs, according to California law. Customized endorsements used by public entities may no longer be accepted by insurers. As a result, asking for an entity's custom endorsements will likely delay the verification of coverage process. The sample custom endorsement may best be used as a baseline to compare what is provided by the contractor rather than a mandatory form. Sample Certificates, including an annotated version describing the various provisions, are provided in the Appendix. Note the wording on the reverse side of the certificate.

#### LIABILITY INSURANCE CERTIFICATES

#### **Certificate of General Liability Insurance**

**Basis** - The certificate should indicate whether coverage is being provided on an occurrence basis or on a claims-made basis. Most general liability insurance policies are written on an occurrence basis.

*Limits* - The certificate should specify amounts of coverage conforming to the requirements of your contract.

**Coverages** - The certificate should specify whether coverage is provided by a Comprehensive General Liability policy or a Commercial General Liability policy. It should also indicate whether special coverages required by the contract have been included.

#### **Certificate of Excess Liability Insurance**

*Limits* - If the other party's general liability, automobile, and employers' liability, etc. policies provide less than the limits required by you, the certificate of insurance may (and should) give evidence of an excess policy to provide the additional limits.

*Coverages* – The certificate should indicate whether excess liability coverage is provided on an excess form or an umbrella form.

#### **Additional Insured (Liability Policies)**

If you are named as an additional insured, the endorsement should clearly state that you are an additional insured and for what purpose. Contractors who work on numerous projects should issue endorsements for "Any and all work performed" also known as "blanket endorsements," to ensure that documents are not missed on an individual contract. Typically, the language of a certificate of insurance provided by the other party does not control the terms of an insurance policy. In an appropriate case, it may be desirable to specify that the other party's insurance policy is primary and non-contributing and that your policy is excess.

You should strongly consider being named as an additional insured on the other party's policy when:

- 1. It is a contractor or vendor working on your behalf.
- 2. It is directing or controlling the work of any of your employees in a situation where injury might result.
- 3. It is leasing space in a building or on property you own.



4. It is conducting a special event, i.e. wedding, parade, etc., and utilizing your Entity's facilities.

#### **Primary Language**

All policies for general liability should state that the insurance is primary and that any insurance policy owned by your Entity will be considered as excess and non-contributory to the underlying policy.

#### PROPERTY INSURANCE CERTIFICATES

#### **Certificate of Property Insurance**

This certificate is needed when another party has been made responsible for providing insurance on property you own or for which you are responsible. This certificate also pertains to tenants, where it is specifically required by contract.

A certificate of property insurance should show:

**Property Covered** - The certificate should provide an appropriate description of all property for which insurance is required;

*Limits* - The certificate should evidence appropriate amounts of coverage for the property and applicable deductibles;

**Coverages** - The certificate should provide appropriate coverages for the risk of loss to which the property is subject. This is usually expressed as "all risks" or "special form;"

*Interests* - The certificate should indicate the nature of your interest, i.e. owner, lender, or landlord in the insured property and your status under the policy; and

**Loss Payee** - If you are named as a loss payee, the certificate should clearly state you are a loss payee and for what purpose. By being named as a loss payee, you will have the right under the policy to be reimbursed for a loss to your property directly by the insurance carrier. Usually, in the event of a covered loss, the carrier will issue a payment jointly to the loss payee and the insured.

#### WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE CERTIFICATES

Most often, you should require evidence of workers' compensation coverage from your vendors and subcontractors. Please note that you cannot be added as an additional insured to a workers' compensation policy.

*Limits* - The certificate should specify that the policy provides the statutorily required benefits of workers' compensation and the minimum amount of employers' liability coverage required by your contract.

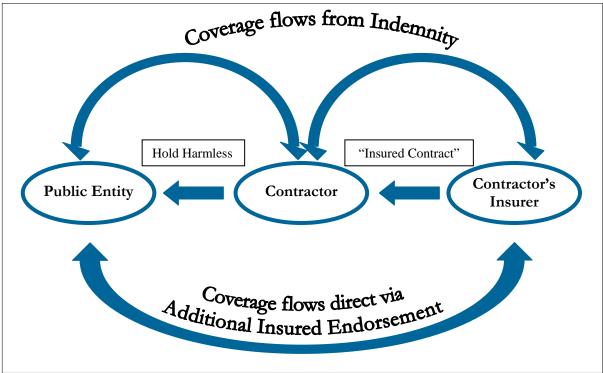
*Waiver of Subrogation* – The insurance policy should be endorsed with a waiver of subrogation in favor of your Entity. This language protects your Entity from claims for contribution resulting from injuries sustained by contractor employees.



#### **Additional Insured Endorsements**

Requiring that your entity be named as an additional insured under a contractor's insurance policy gives you an extra layer of protection against claims by giving your entity direct rights of coverage under that policy. As illustrated below, the Hold Harmless clause gives you one avenue for protection, but you must go through the contractor's obligation to you (defined as an "insured contract" in the liability policy) to obtain funds from the insurer.

The additional insured endorsement gives you a second avenue, direct to the insurer, to pursue payment. This allows you to circumvent potential difficulties with the contractor and greatly improves your ability to obtain a legal defense for any potentially covered claims. In addition, under the pre-2004 endorsements discussed below, the coverage provided your entity is potentially broader than the Hold Harmless agreement. This second avenue of coverage, and potentially broader indemnity, are what make additional insured status so desirable.



You should strongly consider being named as an additional insured on the other party's policy when:

- 1. They are a contractor or vendor working on your behalf.
- 2. They are directing or controlling the work of any of your employees in a situation where injury might result.
- 3. They are leasing space in a building or on property you own.
- 4. They are conducting a special event, i.e. wedding, parade, bounce house, etc., and utilizing your Entity's facilities.



#### **Additional Insured Endorsement Forms**

If you are named as an additional insured, the endorsement should clearly state that you are an additional insured and for what purpose. Contractors who work on numerous projects for your entity should issue endorsements for "any and all work performed" also known as "blanket endorsements," to ensure that documents are not missed on an individual contract.

The additional insured endorsement for contractors form has changed <u>materially</u> since the 11 85 version that is most recommended. The preferred ISO form numbers is **CG 20 10 11 85** (the 11 85 in the number sequence is the "edition date," November 1985). That form states:

**WHO IS AN INSURED** (Section II) is amended to include as an insured the person or organization shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to liability arising out of "your work" for the insured by or for you. (emphasis added)

The phrase "your work" encompasses coverage for both "ongoing operations" (damages that occur while the contractor is on the job) and the "products-completed operations hazard" (damages that arise from defects in the contractor's product or work). Beginning in October 1993, the CG 20 10 ISO form was changed to cover only "ongoing operations" and a new form, CG 20 37, was introduced to provide the products and completed operations coverage. Both forms were updated again in 1997, 2001 and 2004. The most recent changes were made in 2013.

The 1993, 1997, and 2001 versions of the CG 20 10 form read:

WHO IS AN INSURED (Section II) is amended to include as an insured the person or organization shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to liability arising out of "your ongoing operations" performed for that insured. (emphasis added)

The 2001 version add exclusions for completed operations, which read:

With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insureds, the following exclusions are added:

This insurance does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" occurring after:

- 1. All work, including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work, on the project (other than service, maintenance, or repairs) to be performed by or on behalf of the additional insured(s) at the site of the covered operations has been completed; or
- 2. That portion of "your work" out of which the injury or damage arises has been put to its intended use by any person or organization other than another contractor or subcontractor engaged in performing operations for a principal as a part of the same project.

The 2004 version of CG 20 10 maintains the exclusions for completed operations, but replaces "your ongoing operations" with a different definition:

A. Section II . Who Is An Insured is amended to include as an additional insured the person(s) or organization(s) shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to liability for



"bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" caused, in whole or in part, by:

- 1. Your acts or omissions; or
- 2. The acts or omissions of those acting on your behalf; in the performance of your ongoing operations for the additional insured(s) at the location(s) designated above.

In 2013, the CG 20 10 form was updated, adding language to A. Section II:

#### However:

- 1. The insurance afforded to such additional insured only applies to the **extent permitted by law**; and
- 2. If coverage provided to the additional insured is required by a contract or agreement, the insurance afforded to such additional insured will not be broader than that which you are required by the contract or agreement to provide for such additional insured.

The CG 20 10 04 13 form also adds a Part C, regarding Limits of Insurance, which reads:

C. With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insureds, the following is added to Section III – Limits of Insurance:

If coverage provided to the additional insured is required by a contract or agreement, the most we will pay on behalf of the additional insured is the amount of insurance:

- 1. Required by the contract or agreement; or
- 2. Available under the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations; whichever is less.

This endorsement shall not increase the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations.

Since the CG 20 10 form excludes completed operations, it is recommended that for contractors your Entity **also** request the CG 20 37 form (CG 20 37 10 01), which contains coverage for products and completed operations. The 10 01 version of this form reads:

WHO IS AN INSURED (Section II) is amended to include as an insured the person or organization shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to liability arising out of "your work" at the location designated and described in the schedule of this endorsement performed for that insured and included in the "products-completed operations hazard." (emphasis added)

Changes to the CG 20 37 in 2004 inserted "in whole or in part" prior to "your work" in the language above.



#### The changes to CG 20 37 in 2013 were more significant, adding:

#### However:

- 1. The insurance afforded to such additional insured only applies to the extent permitted by law; and
- 2. If coverage provided to the additional insured is required by a contract or agreement, the insurance afforded to such additional insured will not be broader than that which you are required by the contract or agreement to provide for such additional insured.
- B. With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insureds, the following is added to Section III Limits of Insurance:

If coverage provided to the additional insured is required by a contract or agreement, the most we will pay on behalf of the additional insured is the amount of insurance:

- 1. Required by the contract or agreement; or
- 2. Available under the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations; whichever is less.

This endorsement shall not increase the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations.

#### Changes in the 04 13 Editions of the Endorsement Forms Additional Insured – Owners, Lessees or Contractors (Form B)

The preferred forms CG 20 10 11 85 or both CG 20 10 10 01 and CG 20 37 10 01 give your Entity coverage for:

- Products and completed operations;
- Ongoing operations; and
- Direct access to insurance coverage even for your Entity's sole negligence, as if the Entity purchased the policy.

The ability to directly access the contractor's insurance coverage, even when your entity is solely negligent, arises out of numerous court decisions that have held as long as the claim "arose out of" the contractor's work, it was potentially covered, even if the contractor's actions did not contribute to the damages. As a result, ISO has updated the language in the 07 04 editions of the endorsements to eliminate the "arising out of" language, replacing it with the following for the CG 20 37 07 04 form:

WHO IS AN INSURED is amended to include as an additional insured the person(s) or organization(s) shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to "bodily injury" or "property damage" caused, in whole or in part, by "your work" at the location designated and described in the schedule of this endorsement performed for that additional insured and included in the "products-completed operations hazard." (emphasis added)

The 2004 form requires that damages be caused, in whole or in part, by the contractor in order for coverage to apply to the additional insured. This attempts to limit coverage to the vicarious liability of the additional insured arising from the contractor's negligence and eliminate coverage for the additional insured's sole negligence. The new form also restricts coverage to



bodily injury or property damage and for the first time adds the qualifier "additional" insured in the body of the policy language.

The changes in 2013 further attempt to limit the coverage available to the additional insured, to coverage and limits required by contract, and to the extent permissible under state anti indemnification laws. It is imperative that you review your contracts with your legal and risk management teams to identify and assess the impact of these changes to your entity.

#### **Additional Insured Endorsements Comparison**

CG 20 10 ED 07 04	CG 20 10 ED 04 13	Comments
<ul> <li>B. Section II. Who Is An Insured is amended to include as an additional insured the person(s) or organization(s) shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to liability for "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" caused, in whole or in part, by: <ol> <li>Your acts or omissions; or</li> <li>The acts or omissions of those acting on your behalf;</li> <li>in the performance of your ongoing operations for the additional insured(s) at the location(s) designated above.</li> </ol> </li> <li>B. With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insureds, the following additional exclusions apply:</li> </ul>	C. Section II However:  1. The insurance afforded to such additional insured only applies to the extent permitted by law; and  2. If coverage provided to the additional insured is required by a contract or agreement, the insurance afforded to such additional insured will not be broader than that which you are required by the contract or agreement to provide for such additional insured.	Restricts coverage to that required by contract, to the extent permissible by law
such work, on the project (other than service, maintenance or repairs) to be performed by or on behalf of the additional insured(s) at the location of the covered operations has been completed; or  2. That portion of "your work" out of which the injury or damage arises has been put to its intended use by any person or organization other than another contractor or subcontractor engaged in performing operations for a principal as a part of the same project.	behalf of the additional insured is the amount of insurance:  1. Required by the contract or agreement; or  2. Available under the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations; whichever is less.  This endorsement shall not increase the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations.	



# **Additional Insured Endorsements Comparison (Cont'd)**

CG 20 37 ED 07 04	CG 20 37 ED 04 13	Comments
Section II. Who Is An Insured is amended to include as an additional insured the person(s) or organization(s) shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to liability for "bodily injury" or "property damage" caused, in whole or in part, by "your work" at the location designated and described in the schedule of this endorsement performed for that additional insured and included in the "products-completed operations hazard".	1. The insurance afforded to such additional insured only applies to the extent permitted by law; and  2. If coverage provided to the additional insured is required by a contract or agreement, the insurance afforded to such additional insured will not be broader than that which you are required by the contract or agreement to provide for such additional insured.  B. With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insureds, the following is added to Section III – Limits Of Insurance:  If coverage provided to the additional insured is required by a contract or agreement, the most we will pay on behalf of the additional insured is the amount of insurance:  1. Required by the contract or agreement; or  2. Available under the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations; whichever is less.  This endorsement shall not increase the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations.	extent permissible by law  2. Restricts limits of liability to those specified in the contract



**Summary** – additional insured endorsements for contractors, in order of preference:

- **Best:** CG 20 10 11 85 covers all bases.
- OK: CG 20 10 10 01 and CG 20 37 10 01.
- Least advisable: CG 20 10 07 04, CG 20 10 04 13 and CG 20 37 07 04, CG 20 37 04 13.

For use of property (owners/lessees exposure), or other contracts where there is no risk of damage from completed construction or operations (such as a training instructor) Form CG 20 10 10 01, for ongoing operations, is sufficient by itself.

More detailed information is available from Alliant or other industry references listed in Appendix E.

#### **Blanket AI Endorsements**

Many insurers will issue what is known as a "blanket" additional insured endorsement, meaning they will cover your entity as an additional insured as long as it is required in a written contract. This eliminates the need to customize the endorsement to name your entity and/or the project. Many insurers have this blanket language written into their policies and will not need to issue an endorsement. However, you should request a copy of that section of the policy for verification.

The policy language or endorsement may also include language agreeing to provide primary coverage and a waiver of subrogation, as long as it is required in the contract. This is perfectly acceptable and may provide for broader coverage than you may receive from a standard endorsement as long as you use the specifications provided in this manual. Be aware, however, that some insurers use customized blanket endorsements or policy language that may be more restrictive in terms of reporting requirement or use of independent legal counsel. Review the terms carefully and consult with your risk management advisor when faced with non-standard language.

#### **Permits**

Many times an Entity will issue a permit allowing the permittee to conduct business within the Entity's jurisdiction. This permit may not be a traditional contract with a third party vendor, but the permit may require that the permittee carry insurance and include the Entity as an additional insured. In these cases ISO form CG 20 12 or form CG 20 13 fit the bill and should provide the necessary coverage.

#### **Entity Supplied Endorsement**

Customized endorsement used by a number of public entities that may be accepted by the insurer. Otherwise you can use as a template for what you are requesting.

#### **Waiver of Subrogation Endorsements**

For certain risks the manual recommends obtaining an endorsement in addition to including waiver of subrogation language in the insurance specifications. This is especially true of Workers Compensation coverage for construction projects. See Appendix B for samples.



This blanket endorseme	ent modifies insurance provided under the following:
Named Insured:	Effective Work Date(s):
Insuring Company:	Policy No.:
Description of Work/Locations/Vehicle	es:
AGENCY NAME AND ADDRESS:	
ADDITIONAL INSURED:	
	officers, officials, employees and, volunteers are included as additional ense of claims arising from: (Check all that apply)
completed operations of the Named	es performed by or on behalf of the Named Insured, (b) products and Insured, (c) premises owned, leased occupied or used by the Named r operations performed by the Named Insured. {Note: MEETS OR 5}
leased, hired or borrowed by the Name	operation, maintenance, use, loading or unloading of any auto owned, ed Insured, regardless of whether liability is attributable to the Named ed Insured and the Agency, its elected or appointed officers, officials,
Other:	
PRIMARY/NON-CONTRIBUTORY: other insurance carried by or for the bene	This insurance is <u>primary and is not additional to or contributing with</u> any efit of Additional Insureds.
	<b>NSURED'S DUTIES AFTER ACCIDENT OR LOSS</b> : Any failure to e policy shall not affect coverage provided to the Agency, its elected or or volunteers.
reduced in coverage or in limits except a	surance afforded by this policy shall not be suspended, voided, canceled, after thirty (30) days' prior written notice (ten (10) days if canceled due to receipt requested has been given to the Agency. Such notice shall be
Agency, its elected or appointed office	insurer(s) named above agree to waive all rights of subrogation against the rs, officials, agents, volunteers and employees for losses paid under the rk performed by the Named Insured for the Agency.
Nothing herein contained shall vary, alt stated.	er or extend any provision or condition of the Policy other than as above
SIGNATURE OF INSURER OR AUT	THORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE INSURER
I, bind the above-named insurance comp	, (print/type name), warrant that I have authority to pany and by my signature hereon do so bind this company.
SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED REP. the Agency)	RESENTATIVE (original signature required on endorsement furnished to
ORGANIZATION:	
TITLE:	
ADDRESS:	
TELEPHONE: ()	DATE ISSUED:



#### **Other Endorsements**

In addition to the additional insured endorsement, other provisions in the recommended insurance specifications may require an endorsement to provide the required protection. The following is a brief discussion of these requirements, with sample endorsements after the descriptions.

**Primary Insurance** – the recommended commercial general liability form does not automatically provide primary coverage to your entity as an additional insured. However, forms that contain "blanket" additional insured language often do provide primary coverage to the additional insured, as long as it is required under contract. The reader is advised to include the recommended primary language in their insurance specifications and confirm their status via endorsement or policy language.

The recommended policy form for auto liability does typically provide primary coverage to your entity, as long as it is required by contract. In addition, Insurance Code provisions state that the policy that most specifically describes the subject auto is primary and that should be the policy of the vehicle's owner. Taken together, the general rule in CA and most other states is that "the insurance follows the car", and therefore, there is no need for a separate endorsement. One major exception is for vehicle owners who are in the business of renting, leasing, selling or servicing automobiles. For rental vehicles, the driver's insurance is primary, and unless required by written contract, most garagekeeper's insurance will also be excess over any other insurance available to the driver.

As with the additional insured endorsement, the reader is advised to include the primary requirement in their contract specifications and verify the status with an endorsement, policy language, or other written confirmation from the insurer or agent.

**Waiver of Subrogation** – in cases where your entity is an additional insured on the auto and general liability policies AND your contract contains a waiver of subrogation, you should not need an endorsement. Most policies, including property insurance, allow their insured to waive subrogation prior to a loss.

A waiver of subrogation should also prevent the contractor's Workers' Compensation insurer from pursuing your entity. However, the standard Workers' Compensation policy form does not allow the insured to waive subrogation. Most insurers will agree to waive subrogation if requested, but many will charge the contractor and additional premium to do so. It is in the contractor's best interest to notify their insurer of the requested waiver of subrogation and obtain their consent. The reader is advised to make sure such notice has been made, and for construction contracts to obtain an endorsement confirming the waiver has been obtained.

Waivers Should Be Used with Caution. Some insurance policies void the coverage if the insured agrees to waive the insurer's subrogation rights without prior approval. Other policies permit waivers. You should carefully review the policies and/or call your risk management advisor for assistance when dealing with waivers of subrogation.

Notice of Cancellation – This manual no longer includes suggested language requiring a notice of cancellation endorsement as insurers will rarely provide them. Nevertheless, the only way to ensure notice is by endorsement, and it is recommended that one be obtained for



construction contracts, leases, and any other contracts in which the maintenance of insurance is considered critical.

Customized Endorsements - Insurer Supplied – some insurers will provide additional insured status, primary coverage, and waiver of subrogation on their own customized forms, and the following pages contain a sample from one insurer. When in doubt or if having trouble obtaining the appropriate endorsements, the reader is advised to provide the sample provided as an illustration of the requested coverage and as a guide to reviewing any customized endorsements provided by the insurer. The reader is advised to review any customized endorsements very carefully, as they will often provide less than the recommended coverage. If in doubt, have your insurance provider review for you to make sure you get what you requested.

**Entity Supplied** – as indicated in the Foreword to this manual, one major change in this edition is the elimination of customized forms provided by the entity. However, we have included one sample endorsement that some insurers will accept or that can be used to illustrate the language required by the recommended insurance requirements in this manual.



# **APPENDIX A:** Risk Assessment

## Potential High Risk Situations or Special Insurance Required

☐ Crowd exposures	☐ Heavy equipment
☐ Plumbing	☐ Computer hardware or software
☐ Work involving vehicles	☐ Work near water, docks, wharves
☐ Work involving watercraft	☐ Work involving aircraft
☐ Medical services	☐ Marine work of any kind
☐ Legal services	☐ Construction management
☐ Other professional services	☐ Handling of funds or assets
☐ Zoning or planning services	☐ Inspection services
☐ Use or serving of alcohol	☐ Electrical work
☐ Work with natural gas	☐ Work near roads
☐ Work near railroads	☐ Work near airports
☐ Work near waterways	☐ Underground work or excavation
☐ Any pollution or environmental exposure	☐ Design engineering or architectural services
☐ Maintenance or inspection services	Surveys, soil engineering, topographical surveys
☐ Use of caustics, flammables explosives	☐ Armed guards, use of armored cars
☐ Work involving utilities/provision of service	☐ Work involving boilers, pressure vessels, turbines



## Severity-Related Questions for the Contract Risk Analyst

- ➤ How many persons will be involved in the activity?
- ➤ What will be the nature of their work?
- ➤ How many are exposed to injury from one event?
- ➤ Can persons not associated with the project/activity be harmed?
- ➤ What is the exposure to natural disaster (earthquake, flood, windstorm, etc.)?
- ➤ What effects would a disaster have on the property or people involved?
- ➤ What would be the economic consequences of a delay (to the Entity)?
- ➤ What is the value of Entity property associated with the activity?
- ➤ Can other businesses or entities by harmed/shut down by an occurrence?
- ➤ What is the value of the property adjacent to or affected by the activity?
- ➤ What types of vehicles will be used, if any? Do they carry passengers?
- ➤ How many people will occupy/use the finished product/structure?
- ➤ How many could be harmed from an occurrence at the site?
- ➤ Could injuries result later from latent defects or poor design?
- ➤ Is there any exposure to disease, carcinogens, structural failure, crowd panic, fire, crashes, explosions or other occurrences with catastrophic potential?

The objective of these questions is to find the lurking catastrophe in the contracted activity or its aftermath. Some real-life examples of extremely severe loss incidents could include:

- Communicable disease (such as Legionnaire's disease) distributed by a ventilating system.
- Collapse of a structure (such as the 1981 Hyatt-Kansas City skywalk).
- Multiple casualties from riots such as at various popular music concerts or international soccer games.
- Plane crashes.
- Ferry sinking.
- Failure of parking structures during earthquakes.

#### You should determine such issues as:

- What type of activities will take place during the term of the contract?
- ➤ Who could be harmed by these activities?
- ➤ What property could be damaged, and how severely?
- ➤ What is the maximum likely loss for each activity?
- ➤ Is there a possible pollution exposure?



- > Are crowds likely to be involved?
- ➤ Will inherently dangerous activities, such as blasting, be a part of this project?
- ➤ Is the risk sufficient to reject bids not meeting specifications exactly?
- ➤ How likely is it that my Entity would be a defendant in the event of a loss?
- ➤ Should we agree to a mutual waiver of subrogation?

To obtain answers to some of these questions, you may need to confer with your Entity's legal counsel or risk management advisor. The identification of risks involved in the contemplated activity is possibly the most important part of the process of managing risks in contract situations. It requires time and thought.



## **Checklist for Evidence of Insurance**

# Certificate(s) of Insurance: □ Evidence provided for each type of insurance required in the contract (e.g., "Commercial General Liability", Auto Liability, Workers Compensation with Statutory Limits, and Professional Liability or E&O per the contract specifications)

	Professional Liability or E&O per the contract specifications)
	General liability is on an "occurrence" basis, not "claims-made."
	Auto liability covers "any auto" (or non-owned & hired if contractor has no autos).
	Limits are at least as high as the minimum required in the contract.
	Workers Compensation provides Statutory Limits & Employers' Liability of \$1 million
	Policies are current and will be suspended (tickler filed) for renewal follow-up if the contract period runs beyond the policy expiration date.
	Excess liability policies have coverage periods concurrent with primary policies.
	Insured name is the same as Contractor named in the contract.
	The insurer's A.M. Best and Standard & Poor's ratings meet or exceed the Entity's minimum requirements.
	The insurer is admitted in California, or non-admitted is acceptable yes no.
	No self-insured retention (SIR) on liability policies. Any must be disclosed & approved.
	Descriptions of operations, locations, etc. are correct.
	Certificate Holder (your entity) is correct, with attention to correct person.
	Certificate provides for 30-day notification (10 days for non-payment) to Entity of changes or cancellation.
	Certificate includes signature of authorized representative.
En	dorsement(s)
	$ \textbf{Additional Insured Status} \ - \ e.g., Form \ CG\ 20\ 10\ 11\ 85\ or\ BOTH\ CG\ 20\ 10\ and\ CG\ 20\ 37\ if\ forms\ with\ later\ edition\ dates\ provided\ (usually\ 10\ 01\ or\ 07\ 04\ editions). $
	Primary Coverage
	Waiver of Subrogation
	Notice of Cancellation
	"Blanket" Endorsement covering one or more of the above endorsements required.
	Entity-supplied endorsement provided and signed.



(Sample follow-up letter if insurance verification incomplete)

#### **Entity of XYZ**

Date of Letter **ABC Construction Company** c/o Insurance Agent \_\_\_\_\_ Re: Compliance with Insurance Requirements The documents you have submitted in compliance with contract \_\_\_\_\_\_ are being returned to you for the following reasons: Need original (or certified copy) of (certificate) / (endorsement) / (policy) ☐ Need original signature Additional insured incorrect, should read: ☐ Description of (operation) / (location) incorrect ☐ Insufficient limits ☐ (Deductible) / (SIR) not approved ☐ Wrong coverages, i.e., ☐ Wrong forms, i.e.,\_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Insurer does not meet minimum requirements ☐ Policy has expired or is about to expire ☐ Required waiver of subrogation not included ☐ Primary language required ☐ Other information: Please make the necessary changes and return the correct documentation to me. No order to proceed will be issued until the correct forms have been submitted. Sincerely,

Entity of XYZ



#### CODES USED IN BUSINESS AUTO POLICIES

- **1. ANY AUTO.** (This is the broadest coverage and includes all other categories shown below.)
- **2. OWNED AUTOS ONLY.** Only those autos owned by the Named Insured (and, for liability coverage, any non-owned trailers while attached to power units owned by the Named Insured). This includes autos acquired after the policy begins.
- **3. OWNED PRIVATE PASSENGER AUTOS ONLY.** Only the private passenger autos owned by the Named Insured. This includes those private passenger autos acquired after the policy begins.
- **4. OWNED AUTOS OTHER THAN PRIVATE PASSENGER AUTOS.** Only those autos owned by the Named Insured which are not of the private passenger type (and, for liability coverage, any non-owned trailers while attached to owned power units). This includes autos, not of the private passenger type, acquired after the policy begins.
- 5. OWNED AUTOS SUBJECT TO NO-FAULT. Only those autos owned by the Named Insured which are required to have No-fault benefits in the state where they are licensed or principally garaged. This includes autos whose ownership entitles the Named Insured to have No-fault benefits in the state where they are licensed or principally garaged.
- **6. OWNED AUTOS SUBJECT TO A COMPULSORY UNINSURED MOTORISTS LAW.** Only those autos owned by the Named Insured which, because of the law in the state where they are licensed or principally garaged, are required to have and cannot reject uninsured motorists insurance. This includes autos acquired after the policy begins, provided they are subject to the same state uninsured motorists requirement.
- **7. SPECIFICALLY DESCRIBED AUTOS.** Only those autos described in the policy for which a premium charge is shown (and, for liability coverage, any non-owned trailers while attached to those described power units).
- **8. HIRED AUTOS ONLY.** Only those autos leased, hired, rented, or borrowed by the Named Insured. This does not include any auto leased, hired, rented, or borrowed from employees or members of their households.
- **9. NON-OWNED AUTOS ONLY.** Only those autos owned, leased, hired or borrowed by the Named Insured which are used in connection with business. This includes autos owned by the Named Insured's employees or members of their households, but only while used in the Named Insured's business.



#### **APPENDIX B:**

### **Common Insurance Industry Forms**

- ➤ ACORD Certificates of Insurance:
  - Standard form
  - Annotated form
- ➤ Two ISO standard endorsements used to add Entities as additional insureds on Contractors' Liability insurance:
  - Additional Insured Owners, Lessees or Contractors (Form A)
  - Additional Insured Owners, Lessees or Contractors (Form B)
- > ISO endorsement: State or Political Subdivisions
- ➤ ISO endorsement: Waiver of Subrogation
- Four ISO endorsements used to amend policy limits:
  - Amendment of Limits of Insurance (Designated Project or Premises)
  - Amendment of Limits of Insurance
  - Amendment Aggregate Limits of Insurance (Per Project)
  - Amendment Aggregate Limits of Insurance (Per Location)
- ➤ Four State Compensation Insurance Fund Forms:
  - Certificate of Workers' Compensation Insurance
  - Additional Insured Employer
  - Waiver of Subrogation
  - Certificate Holders' Notice (Cancellation Notice)
- ➤ ISO policy for General Liability on an "Occurrence" basis
- Form MCS-90 Endorsement for Motor Carrier Policies of Insurance for Public Liability
- Performance Bond
- Payment Bond Public Works



## **Certificate of Liability Insurance (Standard Form)**

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# **Certificate of Liability Insurance (Annotated Form)**

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# PRIMARY AND NONCONTRIBUTORY – OTHER INSURANCE CONDITION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

The following is added to the **Other Insurance** Condition and supersedes any provision to the contrary:

#### **Primary And Noncontributory Insurance**

This insurance is primary to and will not seek contribution from any other insurance available to an additional insured under your policy provided that:

(1) The additional insured is a Named Insured under such other insurance; and

(2) You have agreed in writing in a contract or agreement that this insurance would be primary and would not seek contribution from any other insurance available to the additional insured.



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# ADDITIONAL INSURED – OWNERS, LESSEES OR CONTRACTORS (FORM A)

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART.

SCHEDULE.

Name of Person or Organization (Additional Insured):

Location of Covered Operations

Premium Basis Rates Advance Premium

Bodily Injury and (Per
Property Damage Liability Cost \$1000 of cost) \$

Total Advance Premium \$

(If no entry appears above, information required to complete this endorsement will be shown in the Declarations as applicable to this endorsement.)

- WHO IS AN INSURED (Section II) is amended to include as an insured the person or organization (called "additional insured") shown in the Schedule but only with respect to liability arising out of:
  - "Your work" for the additional insured(s) at the location designated above, or
  - B. Acts or omissions of the additional insured(s) in connection with their general supervision of "your work" at the location shown in the Schedule.
- With respect to the insurance afforded these additional insureds, the following additional provisions apply:
  - A. None of the exclusions under Coverage A, except exclusions (a), (d), (e), (f), (h2), (i), and (m), apply to this insurance.
  - B. Additional Exclusions. This insurance does not apply to:
    - (1) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" for which the additional are obligated to pay damages by reason of the assumption of liability in a contract or agreement. This exclusion does not apply to liability for damages that the additional insured(s) would have in the absence of the contract or agreement.
    - (2) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" occurring after:

- (a) All work on the project (other than service, maintenance, or repairs) to be performed by or on behalf of the additional insured(s) at the site of the covered operations has been completed; or
- (b) That portion of "your work" out of which the injury or damage arises has been put to its intended use by any person or organization other than another contractor or subcontractor engaged in performing operations for a principal as a part of the same project.
- (3) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of any act or omission of the additional insured(s) or any of their employees, other than the general supervision work performed for the additional insured(s) by you.
- (4) "Property damage" to:
  - (a) Property owned, used or occupied by or rented to the additional insured(s);
  - (b) Property in the care, custody, or control of the additional insured(s) or over which the additional insured(s) are for any purpose exercising physical control; or
  - (c) "Your work" for the additional insured(s).

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# ADDITIONAL INSURED – OWNERS, LESSEES OR CONTRACTORS (FORM A)

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This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

SCHEDULE

Name of Person or Organization (Additional Insured):

Location of Covered Operations

Premium Basis
Bodily Injury and
Property Damage Liability Cost

(Per \$1000 of cost)

Rates

Advance Premium

Total Advance Premium

\$

(If no entry appears above, information required to complete this endorsement will be shown in the Declarations as applicable to this endorsement.)

- WHO IS AN INSURED (Section II) is amended to include as an insured the person or organization (called "additional insured") shown in the Schedule but only with respect to liability arising out of:
  - Your ongoing operations performed for the additional insured(s) at the location designated above: or
  - B. Acts or omissions of the additional insured(s) in connection with their general supervision of such operations.
- With respect to the insurance afforded these additional insureds, the following additional provisions apply:
  - A. Exclusions b., c., g., h.(1), j., k., I. and n. under COVERAGE A BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY (Section I Coverages) do not apply
  - B. Additional Exclusions. This insurance does not apply to:
    - (1) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" for which the additional insured(s) are obligated to pay damages by reason of the assumption of liability in a contract or agreement. This exclusion does not apply to liability for damages that the additional insured(s) would have in the absence of the contract or agreement.

- (2) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" occurring after:
  - (a) All work, including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work, on the project (other than service, maintenance or repairs) to be performed by or on behalf of the additional insured(s) at the site of the covered operations has been completed; or
  - (b) That portion of "your work" out of which the injury or damage arises has been put to its intended use by any person or organization other than another contractor or subcontractor engaged in performing operations for a principal as a part of the same project.
- (3) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of any act or omission of the additional insured(s) or any of their "employees", other than the general supervision by the additional insured(s) of your ongoing operations performed for the additional insured(s).
- (4) "Property damage" to:
  - (a) Property owned, used or occupied by or rented to the additional insured(s);

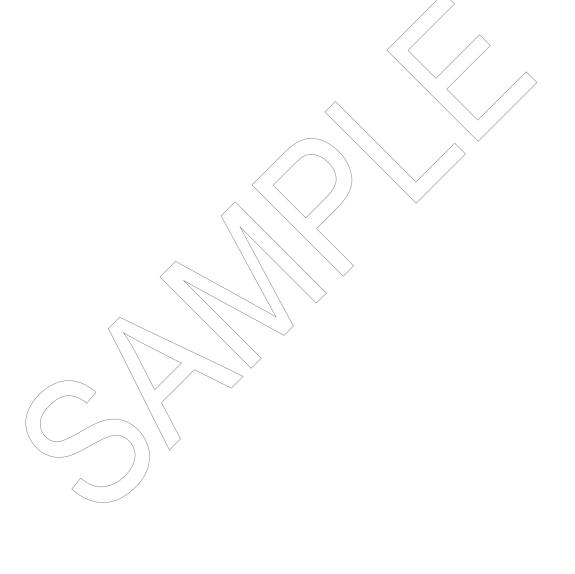
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- (b) Property in the care, custody, or control of the additional insured(s) or over which the additional insured(s) are for any purpose exercising physical control; or
- (c) Any work, including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work, which is performed for the additional insured(s) by you.



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# ADDITIONAL INSURED – OWNERS, LESSEES OR CONTRACTORS – SCHEDULED PERSON OR ORGANIZATION (FOR USE WHEN CONTRACTUAL LIABILITY COVERAGE IS NOT PROVIDED TO YOU IN THIS POLICY)

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

#### SCHEDULE

Name Of Person Or Organi	zation (Additional Insured):	Location Of Covered Operations			
Bodily Injury And Property Damage Liability	Premium Basis Cost	Rates (Per \$1000 Of Cost)	Advance Premium		
			\$		
		Total Advance Premium	\$		

(If no entry appears above, information required to complete this endorsement will be shown in the Declarations as applicable to this endorsement.)

- A. Who Is An Insured (Section III) is amended to include as an insured the person or organization (called "additional insured") shown in the Schedule but only with respect to liability arising out of:
  - Your ongoing operations performed for the additional insured(s) at the location designated above: or
  - Acts or omissions of the additional insured(s) in connection with their general supervision of such operations.
- B. With respect to the insurance afforded these additional insureds, the following additional provisions apply:
  - Exclusions b., c., g., h.(1), j., k., I. and n. under Coverage A Bodily Injury And Property Damage Liability (Section I Coverages) do not apply.

#### 2. Additional Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to:

- a. "Bodily injury" or "property damage" for which the additional insured(s) are obligated to pay damages by reason of the assumption of liability in a contract or agreement. This exclusion does not apply to liability for damages that the additional insured(s) would have in the absence of the contract or agreement.
- Bodily injury or "property damage" occurring after:
  - (1) All work, including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work, on the project (other than service, maintenance or repairs) to be performed by or on behalf of the additional insured(s) at the site of the covered operations has been completed; or

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(2) That portion of "your work" out of which d. "Property damage" to: the injury or damage arises has been (1) Property owned, used or occupied by or put to its intended use by any person or rented to the additional insured(s); organization other than another contrac-(2) Property in the care, custody, or control tor or subcontractor engaged in performof the additional insured(s) or over ing operations for a principal as a part of which the additional insured(s) are for the same project. any purpose exercising physical control; c. "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of any act or omission of the additional insured(s) or any of their "employees", other than the general supervision by the additional insured(s) of your ongoing op-(3) Any work, including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work, which is performed for the additional insured(s) by you. erations performed for the additional insured(s).

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# ADDITIONAL INSURED – OWNERS, LESSEES OR CONTRACTORS – SCHEDULED PERSON OR ORGANIZATION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

## **SCHEDULE**

Name Of Additional Insured Person(s) Or Organization(s)	Location(s) Of Covered Operations
Information required to complete this Schedule, if not sho	own above, will be shown in the Declarations.

- A. Section II Who Is An Insured is amended to include as an additional insured the person(s) or organization(s) shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to liability for "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" caused, in whole or in part, by:
  - 1. Your acts or omissions; or
  - 2. The acts or omissions of those acting on your behalf;

in the performance of your ongoing operations for the additional insured(s) at the location(s) designated above.

However:

- The insurance afforded to such additional insured only applies to the extent permitted by law; and
- 2. If coverage provided to the additional insured is required by a contract or agreement, the insurance afforded to such additional insured will not be broader than that which you are required by the contract or agreement to provide for such additional insured.

**B.** With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insureds, the following additional exclusions apply:

This insurance does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" occurring after:

- All work, including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work, on the project (other than service, maintenance or repairs) to be performed by or on behalf of the additional insured(s) at the location of the covered operations has been completed; or
- 2. That portion of "your work" out of which the injury or damage arises has been put to its intended use by any person or organization other than another contractor or subcontractor engaged in performing operations for a principal as a part of the same project.

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C. With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insureds, the following is added to Section III – Limits Of Insurance:

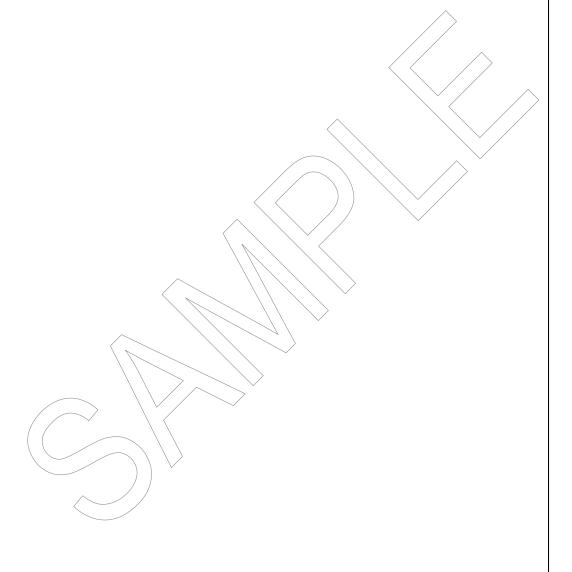
If coverage provided to the additional insured is required by a contract or agreement, the most we will pay on behalf of the additional insured is the amount of insurance:

1. Required by the contract or agreement; or

2. Available under the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations;

whichever is less.

This endorsement shall not increase the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations.



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# ADDITIONAL INSURED – OWNERS, LESSEES OR CONTRACTORS – SCHEDULED PERSON OR ORGANIZATION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

# **SCHEDULE**

Name Of Additional Insured Person(s) Or Organization(s):	Location(s) Of Covered Operations
Information required to complete this Schedule, if not shown	above, will be shown in the Declarations.

- A. Section II Who Is An Insured is amended to include as an additional insured the person(s) or organization(s) shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to liability for "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" caused, in whole or in part, by:
  - 1. Your acts or omissions or
  - 2. The acts or omissions of those acting on your behalf:

in the performance of your ongoing operations for the additional insured(s) at the location(s) designated above. B. With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insureds, the following additional exclusions apply:

This insurance does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" occurring after:

- All work, including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work, on the project (other than service, maintenance or repairs) to be performed by or on behalf of the additional insured(s) at the location of the covered operations has been completed; or
- 2. That portion of "your work" out of which the injury or damage arises has been put to its intended use by any person or organization other than another contractor or subcontractor engaged in performing operations for a principal as a part of the same project.

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# ADDITIONAL INSURED – OWNERS, LESSÉES OR CONTRACTORS – SCHEDULED PERSON OR ORGANIZATION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

**SCHEDULE** 

Name of Person or Organization:	/ /		
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(If no entry appears above, information required to complete this endorsement will be shown in the Declarations as applicable to this endorsement.)

- A. Section II Who Is An Insured is amended to include as an insured the person or organization shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to liability arising out of your ongoing operations performed for that insured.
- B. With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insureds, the following exclusion is added:
  - 2. Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" occurring after:

- (1) All work, including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work, on the project (other than service, maintenance or repairs) to be performed by or on behalf of the additional insured(s) at the site of the covered operations has been completed;
- (2) That portion of "your work" out of which the injury or damage arises has been put to its intended use by any person or organization other than another contractor or subcontractor engaged in performing operations for a principal as a part of the same project.

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ADDITIO	NAL INSURED – OWNER CONTRACTORS – (FOR	
This endorsement modifie	es insurance provided under the following:	
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	SCHEDULE	
Name of Person or Org	inization:	
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# ADDITIONAL INSURED – OWNERS, LESSEES OR CONTRACTORS – SCHEDULED PERSON OR ORGANIZATION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

## SCHEDULE

Location(s) Of Covered Operations
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- A. Section II Who Is An Insured is amended to include as an additional insured the person(s) or organization(s) shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to liability for "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" caused, in whole or in part, by:
  - 1. Your acts or omissions; or
  - 2. The acts or omissions of those acting on your behalf,

in the performance of your ongoing operations for the additional insured(s) at the location(s) designated above:  With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insureds, the following additional exclusions apply:

This insurance does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" occurring after:

- All work, including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work, on the project (other than service, maintenance or repairs) to be performed by or on behalf of the additional insured(s) at the location of the covered operations has been completed; or
- That portion of "your work" out of which the injury or damage arises has been put to its intended use by any person or organization other than another contractor or subcontractor engaged in performing operations for a principal as a part of the same project.

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# ADDITIONAL INSURED – OWNERS, LESSEES OR CONTRACTORS – SCHEDULED PERSON OR ORGANIZATION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

SCHEDULE

Name of Person or Organization:

(If no entry appears above, information required to complete this endorsement will be shown in the Declarations as applicable to this endorsement.)

- A. Section II Who Is An Insured is amended to include as an insured the person or organization shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to liability arising out of your ongoing operations performed for that insured.
- B. With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insureds, the following exclusion is added:
  - 2. Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" occurring after:

- (1) All work, including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work, on the project (other than service, maintenance or repairs) to be performed by or on behalf of the additional insured(s) at the site of the covered operations has been completed;
- (2) That portion of "your work" out of which the injury or damage arises has been put to its intended use by any person or organization other than another contractor or subcontractor engaged in performing operations for a principal as a part of the same project.

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# ADDITIONAL INSURED – DESIGNATED PERSON OR ORGANIZATION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

## SCHEDULE

Name Of Additional Insured Person(s) Or Organization(s):

Information required to complete this Schedule, if not shown above, will be shown in the Declarations.

- A. Section II Who Is An Insured is amended to include as an additional insured the person(s) or organization(s) shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to liability for "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" caused, in whole or in part, by your acts or omissions or the acts or omissions of those acting on your behalf:
  - In the performance of your ongoing operations;
    or
  - In connection-with your premises owned by or rented to you.

# However:

- The insurance afforded to such additional insured only applies to the extent permitted by law; and
- If coverage provided to the additional insured is required by a contract or agreement, the insurance afforded to such additional insured will not be broader than that which you are required by the contract or agreement to provide for such additional insured.

B. With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insureds, the following is added to Section III.—Limits Of Insurance:

If coverage provided to the additional insured is required by a contract or agreement, the most we will pay on behalf of the additional insured is the amount of insurance:

- 1. Required by the contract or agreement; or
- Available under the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations;

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This endorsement shall not increase the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations.

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ADDITIONAL INSURED CONTRACTORS – CO	O – OWNERS, I OMPLETED OF	LESSEES OR PERATIONS
This endorsement modifies insurance provided unde	r the following:	
COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAG	SE PART	
s	CHEDULE	
Name Of Additional Insured Person(s) Or Organization(s):	Location And Descri	ption Of Completed Operation
Section II – Who Is An Insured is amended to include as an additional insured the person(s) or organization(s) shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to liability for "bodily injury" or "property damage" caused, in whole or in part, by "your work" a the location designated and described in the schedule of this endorsement performed for that additional insured and included in the "products-completed operations hazard".	t	



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# ADDITIONAL INSURED – OWNERS, LESSEES OR CONTRACTORS – COMPLETED OPERATIONS

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

## SCHEDULE

Name Of Additional Insured Person(s) Or Organization(s)	Location And Description Of Completed Operations
Information required to complete this Schedule, if not sh	own above, will be shown in the Declarations.

A. Section II - Who is An Insured is amended to include as an additional insured the person(s) or organization(s) shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to liability for "bodily injury" or "property damage" caused, in whole or in part, by "your work" at the location designated and described in the Schedule of this endorsement performed for that additional insured and included in the "products-completed operations hazard"

# However:

- The insurance afforded to such additional insured only applies to the extent permitted by law; and
- If coverage provided to the additional insured is required by a contract or agreement, the insurance afforded to such additional insured will not be broader than that which you are required by the contract or agreement to provide for such additional insured.

B. With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insureds, the following is added to Section III – Limits Of Insurance:

If coverage provided to the additional insured is required by a contract or agreement, the most we will pay on behalf of the additional insured is the amount of insurance:

- 1. Required by the contract or agreement; or
- Available under the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations;

whichever is less.

This endorsement shall not increase the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations.

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This endorsement modifies insu	rance provided under the following:	
COMMERCIAL GENERAL L	IABILITY COVERAGE PART	
	SCHEDULE	
Name of Person or Organizat	ion:	
Location And Description of	Completed Operations.	
Additional Premium:		·
applicable to this endorsement.)  Section II – Who Is An Insure Schedule, but only with respect	emation required to complete this endorse ed is amended to include as an insured to liability arising out of "your work" at the erformed for that insured and included in	the person or organization shown in the location designated and described in the
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# ADDITIONAL INSURED – OWNERS, LESSEES OR CONTRACTORS – COMPLETED OPERATIONS

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

# SCHEDULE

Name Of Additional Insured Person(s) Or Organization(s):	Location And Description Of Completed Operations
Information required to complete this Schedule, if not she	own above, will be shown in the Declarations.

Section II – Who Is An Insured is amended to include as an additional insured the person(s) or organization(s) shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to liability for "bodily injury" or "property damage" caused, in whole or in part, by "your work" at the location designated and described in the schedule of this endorsement performed for that additional insured and included in the "products-completed operations hazard".

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# ADDITIONAL INSURED – OWNERS, LESSEES OR CONTRACTORS – AUTOMATIC STATUS FOR OTHER PARTIES WHEN REQUIRED IN WRITTEN CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

- A. Section II Who Is An Insured is amended to include as an additional insured:
  - Any person or organization for whom you are performing operations when you and such person or organization have agreed in writing in a contract or agreement that such person or organization be added as an additional insured on your policy; and
  - Any other person or organization you are required to add as an additional insured under the contract or agreement described in Paragraph 1. above.

Such person(s) or organization(s) is an additional insured only with respect to liability for "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" caused, in whole or in part, by:

- a. Your acts or omissions; or
- b. The acts or omissions of those acting on your behalf;

in the performance of your ongoing operations for the additional insured.

However, the insurance afforded to such additional insured described above:

- a. Only applies to the extent permitted by law;
- b. Will not be broader than that which you are required by the contract or agreement to provide for such additional insured.
- A person's or organization's status as an additional insured under this endorsement ends when your operations for the person or organization described in Paragraph 1. above are completed.

B. With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insureds, the following additional exclusions apply:

This insurance does not apply to:

- "Bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" arising out of the rendering of, or the failure to render, any professional architectural, engineering or surveying services, including:
  - a. The preparing, approving, or failing to prepare or approve, maps, shop drawings, opinions, reports, surveys, field orders, change orders or drawings and specifications; or
  - **b**. Supervisory, inspection, architectural or engineering activities.

This exclusion applies even if the claims against any insured allege negligence or other wrongdoing in the supervision, hiring, employment, training or monitoring of others by that insured, if the "occurrence" which caused the "bodily injury" or "property damage", or the offense which caused the "personal and advertising injury", involved the rendering of, or the failure to render, any professional architectural, engineering or surveying services.

- "Bodily injury" or "property damage" occurring after:
  - a. All work, including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work, on the project (other than service, maintenance or repairs) to be performed by or on behalf of the additional insured(s) at the location of the covered operations has been completed; or

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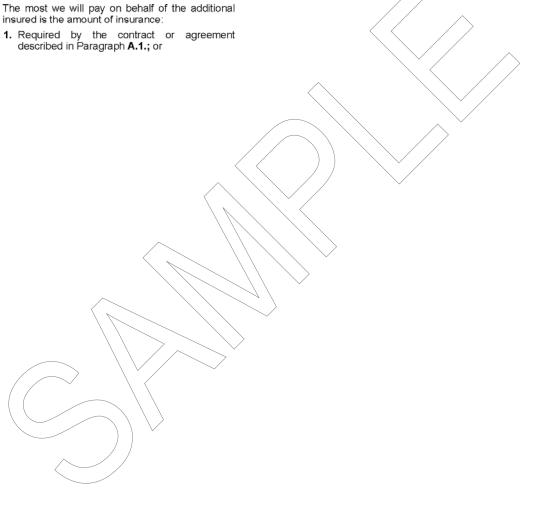
- **b.** That portion of "your work" out of which the injury or damage arises has been put to its intended use by any person or organization other than another contractor or subcontractor engaged in performing operations for a principal as a part of the same project.
- C. With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insureds, the following is added to Section III – Limits Of Insurance:

insured is the amount of insurance:

2. Available under the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations;

whichever is less.

This endorsement shall not increase the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations.



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# CALIFORNIA CHANGES – ADDITIONAL INSURED – PUBLIC AGENCY – OWNERS, LESSEES OR CONTRACTORS – SCHEDULED PERSON OR ORGANIZATION (FOR USE WHEN CONTRACTUAL LIABILITY COVERAGE IS NOT PROVIDED TO YOU IN THIS POLICY)

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

## SCHEDULE

Name Of Person Or Organi	zation (Additional Insured):	Location Of Cove	red Operations
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Bodily Injury And Property Damage Liability	Premium Basis Cost	Rates (Rer \$1000 Of Cost)	Advance Premium
			\$
		Total Advance Premium	\$

(If no entry appears above, information required to complete this endorsement will be shown in the Declarations as applicable to this endorsement.)

- A. Who Is An Insured (Section II) is amended to include as an insured the person or organization (called "additional insured") shown in the Schedule but only with respect to liability arising out of your ongoing operations performed for the additional insured(s) at the location designated above;
- B. With respect to the insurance afforded these additional/insureds, the following additional provisions apply:
  - Exclusions b., c., g., h.(1), j., k., I. and n. under Coverage A Bodily Injury And Property Damage Liability (Section I Coverages) do not apply.

# 2. Additional Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to:

- a. "Bodily injury" or "property damage" for which the additional insured(s) are obligated to pay damages by reason of the assumption of liability for the active negligence of the additional insured(s) in a contract or agreement. This exclusion does not apply to liability for damages that the additional insured(s) would have in the absence of the contract or agreement.
- Bodily injury" or "property damage" occurring after:
  - (1) All work, including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work, on the project (other than service, maintenance or repairs) to be performed by or on behalf of the additional insured(s) at the site of the covered operations has been completed; or

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- (2) That portion of "your work" out of which the injury or damage arises has been put to its intended use by any person or organization other than another contractor or subcontractor engaged in performing operations for a principal as a part of the same project.
- "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of any act or omission of the additional insured(s) or any of their "employees".
- d. "Property damage" to:
  - Property owned, used or occupied by or rented to the additional insured(s);
  - (2) Property in the care, custody, or control of the additional insured(s) or over which the additional insured(s) are for any purpose exercising physical control; or
  - (3) Any work, including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work, which is performed for the additional insured(s) by you.



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# ADDITIONAL INSURED – STATE OR GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY OR SUBDIVISION OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION – PERMITS OR AUTHORIZATIONS

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

#### SCHEDULE

State Or Governmental Agency Or Subdivision Or Political Subdivision:

Information required to complete this Schedule, if not shown above, will be shown in the Declarations.

- A. Section II Who Is An Insured is amended to include as an additional insured any state or governmental agency or subdivision or political subdivision shown in the Schedule, subject to the following provisions:
  - This insurance applies only with respect to operations performed by you or on your behalf for which the state or governmental agency or subdivision or political subdivision has issued a permit or authorization.

# However:

- The insurance afforded to such additional insured only applies to the extent permitted by law; and
- b. If coverage provided to the additional insured is required by a contract or agreement, the insurance afforded to such additional insured will not be broader than that which you are required by the contract or agreement to provide for such additional insured.

- 2. This insurance does not apply to:
  - "Bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" arising out of operations performed for the federal government, state or municipality; or
  - Bodily injury" or "property damage" included within the "products-completed operations hazard".
- B. With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insureds, the following is added to Section III – Limits Of Insurance:

If coverage provided to the additional insured is required by a contract or agreement, the most we will pay on behalf of the additional insured is the amount of insurance:

- 1. Required by the contract or agreement; or
- Available under the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations;

whichever is less.

This endorsement shall not increase the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations.

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# ADDITIONAL INSURED – STATE OR GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY OR SUBDIVISION OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION – PERMITS OR AUTHORIZATIONS RELATING TO PREMISES

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

#### SCHEDULE

State Or Governmental Agency Or Subdivision Or Political Subdivision:

Information required to complete this Schedule, if not shown above, will be shown in the Declarations.

A. Section II – Who Is An Insured is amended to include as an additional insured any state or governmental agency or subdivision or political subdivision shown in the Schedule, subject to the following additional provision:

This insurance applies only with respect to the following hazards for which the state or governmental agency or subdivision or political subdivision has issued a permit or authorization in connection with premises you own, rent or control and to which this insurance applies:

- The existence, maintenance, repair, construction, erection or removal of advertising signs, awnings, canopies, cellar entrances, coal holes, driveways, manholes, marquees, hoist away openings, sidewalk vaults, street banners or decorations and similar exposures; or
- 2. The construction, erection or removal of elevators; or
- The ownership, maintenance or use of any elevators covered by this insurance.

#### However

- The insurance afforded to such additional insured only applies to the extent permitted by law; and
- If coverage provided to the additional insured is required by a contract or agreement, the insurance afforded to such additional insured will not be broader than that which you are required by the contract or agreement to provide for such additional insured.
- B. With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insureds, the following is added to Section III Limits Of Insurance:

If coverage provided to the additional insured is required by a contract or agreement, the most we will pay on behalf of the additional insured is the amount of insurance:

- Required by the contract or agreement; or
- Available under the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations;

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# WAIVER OF TRANSFER OF RIGHTS OF RECOVERY **AGAINST OTHERS TO US**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

Name Of Person Or Organization:  Information required to complete this Schedule, if not shown above, will be shown	
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The following is added to Paragraph 8. Transfer Of Rights Of Recovery Against Others To Us of Section IV – Conditions:	
We waive any right of recovery we may have against the person or organization shown in the Schedule above because of payments we make for injury or damage arising out of your ongoing operations or "your work" done under a contract with that person or organization and included in the "products-completed operations hazard". This waiver applies only to the person or organization shown in the Schedule above.	

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# AMENDMENT OF LIMITS OF INSURANCE (DESIGNATED PROJECT OR PREMISES)

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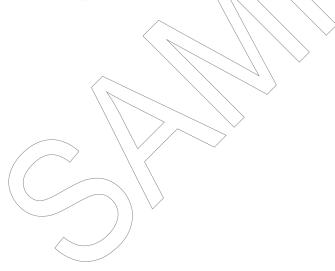
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# AMENDMENT OF LIMITS OF INSURANCE

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			Limits Of Insurance
General Aggregate Limit		\$	_ \
Products-Completed Operations Aggregate Limit	t <sub>S</sub>	5—	_ \\/
Personal & Advertising Injury Limit		\$_	\ \ / /
Each Occurrence Limit		\$	
Damage To Premises Rented To You Limit		5	Any One Premises
Medical Expense Limit		5	Any One Person
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# DESIGNATED CONSTRUCTION PROJECT(S) GENERAL AGGREGATE LIMIT

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART	
SCHEDUL	E //
Designated Construction Project(s):	
Information required to complete this Schedule, if not shown a	above, will be shown in the Declarations.

- A. For all sums which the insured becomes legally obligated to pay as damages caused by "occurrences" under Section I Coverage A, and for all medical expenses caused by accidents under Section I Coverage C, which can be attributed only to ongoing operations at a single designated construction project shown in the Schedule above:
  - A separate Designated Construction Project General Aggregate Limit applies to each designated construction project, and that limit is equal to the amount of the General Aggregate Limit shown in the Declarations.
  - The Designated Construction Project General Aggregate Limit is the most we will pay for the sum of all damages under Coverage A, except damages because of "bodily injury" or "property damage" included in the "productscompleted operations hazard", and for medical expenses under Coverage C regardless of the number of:
    - a. Insureds;
    - b. Claims made or "suits" brought; or
    - Persons or organizations making claims or bringing "suits".

- 3. Any payments made under Coverage A for damages or under Coverage C for medical expenses shall reduce the Designated Construction Project General Aggregate Limit for that designated construction project. Such payments shall not reduce the General Aggregate Limit shown in the Declarations nor shall they reduce any other Designated Construction Project General Aggregate Limit for any other designated construction project shown in the Schedule above.
- 4. The limits shown in the Declarations for Each Occurrence, Damage To Premises Rented To You and Medical Expense continue to apply. However, instead of being subject to the General Aggregate Limit shown in the Declarations, such limits will be subject to the applicable Designated Construction Project General Aggregate Limit.

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- B. For all sums which the insured becomes legally obligated to pay as damages caused by "occurrences" under Section I – Coverage A, and for all medical expenses caused by accidents under Section I – Coverage C, which cannot be attributed only to ongoing operations at a single designated construction project shown in the Schedule above:
  - Any payments made under Coverage A for damages or under Coverage C for medical expenses shall reduce the amount available under the General Aggregate Limit or the Products-completed Operations Aggregate Limit, whichever is applicable; and
  - Such payments shall not reduce any Designated Construction Project General Aggregate Limit.
- C. When coverage for liability arising out of the "products-completed operations hazard" is provided, any payments for damages because of "bodily injury" or "property damage" included in the "products-completed operations hazard" will reduce the Products-completed Operations Aggregate Limit, and not reduce the General Aggregate Limit nor the Designated Construction Project General Aggregate Limit.
- D. If the applicable designated construction project has been abandoned, delayed, or abandoned and then restarted, or if the authorized contracting parties deviate from plans, blueprints, designs, specifications or timetables, the project will still be deemed to be the same construction project.
- E. The provisions of Section III Limits Of Insurance not otherwise modified by this endorsement shall continue to apply as stipulated.



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POLICY NUMBER:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY CG 25 04 05 09

# THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

# DESIGNATED LOCATION(S) GENERAL AGGREGATE LIMIT

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

## SCHEDULE

Designated Location(s):	$\wedge$		
Information required to complete this Schedule, if n	ot shown above, will be shown in th	e Declar	ations.

- A. For all sums which the insured becomes legally obligated to pay as damages caused by "occurrences" under Section I Coverage A, and for all medical expenses caused by accidents under Section I Coverage C, which can be attributed only to operations at a single designated "location" shown in the Schedule above:
  - A separate Designated Location General Aggregate Limit applies to each designated "location", and that limit is equal to the amount of the General Aggregate Limit shown in the Declarations.
  - The Designated Location General Aggregate Limit is the most we will pay for the sum of all damages under Coverage A, except damages because of "bodily injury" or "property damage" included in the "products-completed operations hazard", and for medical expenses under Coverage C regardless of the number of.
    - a. Insureds;

- b. Claims made or "suits" brought; or
- Persons or organizations making claims or bringing "suits".
- 3. Any payments made under Coverage A for damages or under Coverage C for medical expenses shall reduce the Designated Location, General Aggregate Limit for that designated, "location". Such payments shall not reduce the General Aggregate Limit shown in the Declarations nor shall they reduce any other Designated Location General Aggregate Limit for any other designated "location" shown in the Schedule above.
- 4. The limits shown in the Declarations for Each Occurrence, Damage To Premises Rented To You and Medical Expense continue to apply. However, instead of being subject to the General Aggregate Limit shown in the Declarations, such limits will be subject to the applicable Designated Location General Aggregate Limit.

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- B. For all sums which the insured becomes legally obligated to pay as damages caused by "occurrences" under Section I Coverage A, and for all medical expenses caused by accidents under Section I Coverage C, which cannot be attributed only to operations at a single designated "location" shown in the Schedule above:
  - Any payments made under Coverage A for damages or under Coverage C for medical expenses shall reduce the amount available under the General Aggregate Limit or the Products-completed Operations Aggregate Limit, whichever is applicable; and
  - Such payments shall not reduce any Designated Location General Aggregate Limit.
- C. When coverage for liability arising out of the "products-completed operations hazard" is provided, any payments for damages because of "bodily injury" or "property damage" included in the "products-completed operations hazard" will reduce the Products-completed Operations Aggregate Limit, and not reduce the General Aggregate Limit nor the Designated Location General Aggregate Limit.
- D. For the purposes of this endorsement, the Definitions Section is amended by the addition of the following definition:
  - "Location" means premises involving the same or connecting lots, or premises whose connection is interrupted only by a street, roadway, waterway or right-of-way of a railroad.
- E. The provisions of Section III Limits Of Insurance not otherwise modified by this endorsement shall continue to apply as stipulated.



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Th	is policy is not subject to	cancellation by the Fund except upon 30 day's written notice to the employer.
We	e will give you 30 day's a	advance notice should this policy be canceled prior to its normal expiration.
by do	the policies listed hel cument with respect to	e is not an insurance policy and odes not amend, extend or alter the coverage afforded rein. Notwithstanding any requirement, term or condition of any contract or other which this certificate may be issued or may pertain, the insurance afforded by the s subject to all the terms, exclusions and conditions of such policies.
	PRESID	ENT
		(Note: following text is typewritten addition to printed form)
#25	570. AGAINST (ENTITY)	ION INSURANCE FUND WAIVES ANY RIGHT OF SUBROGATION ENDORSEMENT , ITS OFFICIALS, EMPLOYEES AND VOLUNTEERS BY NT UNDER THIS POLICY.
		TITLED ADDITIONAL INSURED EMPLOYER EFFECTIVE 07-20-87 IS ATTACHED TO THIS POLICY. ADDITIONAL INSURED EMPLOYER:
	DORSEMENT #2065 EN ID FORMS A PART OF T	TITLED 30 DAY CANCELLATION NOTICE EFFECTIVE 07-20-87 IS ATTACHED TO THIS POLICY.
DA		E COMPENSATION INSURANCE FUND IS LIMITED TO \$3,000,000 FOR ALL MORE CLAIMS RESULTING FROM EACH ACCIDENT OF OCCURRENCE ARISING.
	EMPLOY	YER



STATE COMPENSATION INSURANCE FUND	ADDITIONAL INSURED EMPLOYER ENDORSEMENT AGREEMENT
Home Office	All Effective Dates are at 12:01 AM Pacific Standard Time
San Francisco	or the Time Indicated at Pacific Standard Time

ANYTHING IN THIS POLICY TO THE CONTRACT NOTWITHSTANDING, IT IS AGREED THAT

EMPLOYER:	NAMED OF ADDITIONAL INSURED
	(ONE NAME PER ENDORSEMENT)

IS HEREBY NAMED AS AN ADDITIONAL INSURED EMPLOYER ON THIS POLICY BUT ONLY AS RESPECTS EMPLOYEES WHOSE NAMES APPEAR ON THE PAYROLL RECORDS OF

(POLICY NAME)

(HEREIN CALLED THE PRIMARY INSURED) WHILE THOSE EMPLOYEES ARE ENGAGED IN WORK UNDER THE SIMULTANEOUS DIRECTION AND CONTROL OF THE PRIMARY INSURED AND THE ADDITIONAL INSURED EMPLOYER.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED THAT THE PAYMENT OF THE FULL PREMIUM DUE AND PAYABLE UNDER THIS POLICY SHALL REMAIN THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PRIMARY INSURED.

NOTHING IN THIS ENDORSEMENT CONTAINED SHALL BE HALED TO VARY, ALTER, WAIVE OR EXTEND ANY OF THE TERMS, CONDITIONS, AGREEMENTS OR LIMITATIONS OF THIS POLICY OTHER THAN AS STATED. NOTHING ELSEWHERE IN THIS POLICY SHALL BE HELD TO VARY, ALTER, WAIVE OR LIMIT THE TERMS, CONDITIONS, AGREEMENTS OR LIMITATIONS OF THIS ENDORSEMENT.

COUNTERSIGNED AND ISSUED AT SAN FRANCISCO



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ANYTHING IN THIS POLICY TO THE CONTRARY NOTWITHSTANDING, IT IS AGREED THAT THE STATE COMPENSATION INSURANCE FUND WAIVES ANY RIGHT OF SUBROGATION AGAINST:

(SPECIFY 3RD PARTY REQUESTING WAIVER: ONE NAME PER ENDORSEMENT)

WHICH MIGHT ARISE BY REASON OF ANY PAYMENT UNDER THIS POLICY IN CONNECTION WITH WORK PERFORMED BY:

(POLICY NAME)

IT IS FURTHER AGREED THAT THE INSURED SHALL MAINTAIN PAYROLL RECORDS ACCURATELY SEGREGATING THE REMUNERATION OF EMPLOYEES WHILE ENGAGED IN WORK FOR THE ABOVE EMPLOYER.

NOTHING IN THIS ENDORSEMENT CONTAINED SHALL BE HALED TO VARY, ALTER, WAIVE OR EXTEND ANY OF THE TERMS, CONDITIONS, AGREEMENTS OR LIMITATIONS OF THIS POLICY OTHER THAN AS STATED, NOTHING ELSEWHERE IN THIS POLICY SHALL BEHELD TO VARY, ALTER, WAIVE OR LIMIT THE TERMS, CONDITIONS, AGREEMENTS OR LIMITATIONS OF THIS ENDORSEMENT.

COUNTERSIGNED AND ISSUED AT SAN FRANCISCO



	STATE COMPENSATION INSURANCE FUND	ADDITIONAL INSURED EMPLOYER ENDORSEMENT AGREEMENT		
	Home Office San Francisco	All Effective Dates are at 12:01 AM Pacific Standard Time or the Time Indicated at Pacific Standard Time		
	ANYTHING IN THIS POLICY TO THE CONTRARY NOTWITHSTANDING, IT IS AGREED THAT THIS POLICY SHALL NOT BE CANCELED UNTIL:			
	(SPEC	IFY NUMBER) DAYS		
AFTER WRITTEN NOTICE OF SUCH CANCELLATION HAS BEEN PLACED IN THE MAIL BY STATE FUND TO CURRENT HOLDERS OF CERTIFICATE OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE.				
NOTHING IN THIS ENDORSEMENT CONTAINED SHALL BE HALED TO VARY, ALTER, WAIVE OR EXTEND ANY OF THE TERMS, CONDITIONS, AGREEMENTS OR LIMITATIONS OF THIS POLICY OTHER THAN AS STATED, NOTHING ELSEWHERE IN THIS POLICY SHALL BEHELD TO VARY, ALTER, WAIVE OR LIMIT THE TERMS, CONDITIONS, AGREEMENTS OR LIMITATIONS OF THIS ENDORSEMENT.				
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# COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE FORM

Various provisions in this policy restrict coverage. Read the entire policy carefully to determine rights, duties and what is and is not covered.

Throughout this policy the words "you" and "your" refer to the Named Insured shown in the Declarations, and any other person or organization qualifying as a Named Insured under this policy. The words "we", "us" and "our" refer to the company providing this insurance.

The word "insured" means any person or organization qualifying as such under Section II – Who Is An Insured

Other words and phrases that appear in quotation marks have special meaning. Refer to Section V – Definitions.

## SECTION I - COVERAGES

# COVERAGE A – BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY

# 1. Insuring Agreement

- a. We will pay those sums that the insured becomes legally obligated to pay as damages because of "bodily injury" or "property damage" to which this insurance applies. We will have the right and duty to defend the insured against any "suit" seeking those damages. However, we will have no duty to defend the insured against any "suit" seeking damages for "bodily injury" or "property damage" to which this insurance does not apply. We may, at our discretion, investigate any "occurrence" and settle any claim or "suit" that may result. But:
  - (1) The amount we will pay for damages is limited as described in Section III – Limits Of Insurance; and
  - (2) Our right and duty to defend ends when we have used up the applicable limit of insurance in the payment of judgments or settlements under Coverages A or B or medical expenses under Coverage C.

No other obligation or liability to pay sums or perform acts or services is covered unless explicitly provided for under Supplementary Payments – Coverages **A** and **B**.

- **b.** This insurance applies to "bodily injury" and "property damage" only if:
  - (1) The "bodily injury" or "property damage" is caused by an "occurrence" that takes place in the "coverage territory";

- (2) The "bodily injury" or "property damage" occurs during the policy period; and
- (3) Prior to the policy period, no insured listed under Paragraph 1. of Section II Who Is An Insured and no "employee" authorized by you to give or receive notice of an "occurrence" or claim, knew that the "bodily injury" or "property damage" had occurred, in whole or in part. If such a listed insured or authorized "employee" knew, prior to the policy period, that the "bodily injury" or "property damage" occurred, then any continuation, change or resumption of such "bodily injury" or "property damage" during or after the policy period will be deemed to have been known prior to the policy period.
- c. "Bodily injury" or "property damage" which occurs during the policy period and was not, prior to the policy period, known to have occurred by any insured listed under Paragraph 1. of Section II Who Is An Insured or any "employee" authorized by you to give or receive notice of an "occurrence" or claim, includes any continuation, change or resumption of that "bodily injury" or "property damage" after the end of the policy period.
- d. "Bodily injury" or "property damage" will be deemed to have been known to have occurred at the earliest time when any insured listed under Paragraph 1. of Section II – Who Is An Insured or any "employee" authorized by you to give or receive notice of an "occurrence" or claim:
  - (1) Reports all, or any part, of the "bodily injury" or "property damage" to us or any other insurer;
  - (2) Receives a written or verbal demand or claim for damages because of the "bodily injury" or "property damage"; or
  - (3) Becomes aware by any other means that "bodily injury" or "property damage" has occurred or has begun to occur.
- e. Damages because of "bodily injury" include damages claimed by any person or organization for care, loss of services or death resulting at any time from the "bodily injury".

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## 2. Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to:

## a. Expected Or Intended Injury

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" expected or intended from the standpoint of the insured. This exclusion does not apply to "bodily injury" resulting from the use of reasonable force to protect persons or property.

# b. Contractual Liability

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" for which the insured is obligated to pay damages by reason of the assumption of liability in a contract or agreement. This exclusion does not apply to liability for damages:

- (1) That the insured would have in the absence of the contract or agreement; or
- (2) Assumed in a contract or agreement that is an "insured contract", provided the "bodily injury" or "property damage" occurs subsequent to the execution of the contract or agreement. Solely for the purposes of liability assumed in an "insured contract", reasonable attorneys' fees and necessary litigation expenses incurred by or for a party other than an insured are deemed to be damages because of "bodily injury" or "property damage", provided:
  - (a) Liability to such party for, or for the cost of, that party's defense has also been assumed in the same "insured contract"; and
  - (b) Such attorneys' fees and litigation expenses are for defense of that party against a civil or alternative dispute resolution proceeding in which damages to which this insurance applies are alleged.

# c. Liquor Liability

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" for which any insured may be held liable by reason of:

- Causing or contributing to the intoxication of any person;
- (2) The furnishing of alcoholic beverages to a person under the legal drinking age or under the influence of alcohol; or
- (3) Any statute, ordinance or regulation relating to the sale, gift, distribution or use of alcoholic beverages.

This exclusion applies even if the claims against any insured allege negligence or other wrongdoing in:

- (a) The supervision, hiring, employment, training or monitoring of others by that insured; or
- (b) Providing or failing to provide transportation with respect to any person that may be under the influence of alcohol:

if the "occurrence" which caused the "bodily injury" or "property damage", involved that which is described in Paragraph (1), (2) or (3) above.

However, this exclusion applies only if you are in the business of manufacturing, distributing, selling, serving or furnishing alcoholic beverages. For the purposes of this exclusion, permitting a person to bring alcoholic beverages on your premises, for consumption on your premises, whether or not a fee is charged or a license is required for such activity, is not by itself considered the business of selling, serving or furnishing alcoholic beverages.

# d. Workers' Compensation And Similar Laws

Any obligation of the insured under a workers' compensation, disability benefits or unemployment compensation law or any similar law.

# e. Employer's Liability

"Bodily injury" to:

- (1) An "employee" of the insured arising out of and in the course of:
  - (a) Employment by the insured; or
  - **(b)** Performing duties related to the conduct of the insured's business; or
- (2) The spouse, child, parent, brother or sister of that "employee" as a consequence of Paragraph (1) above.

This exclusion applies whether the insured may be liable as an employer or in any other capacity and to any obligation to share damages with or repay someone else who must pay damages because of the injury.

This exclusion does not apply to liability assumed by the insured under an "insured contract".

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## f. Pollution

- (1) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the actual, alleged or threatened discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, release or escape of "pollutants":
  - (a) At or from any premises, site or location which is or was at any time owned or occupied by, or rented or loaned to, any insured. However, this subparagraph does not apply to:
    - (i) "Bodily injury" if sustained within a building and caused by smoke, fumes, vapor or soot produced by or originating from equipment that is used to heat, cool or dehumidify the building, or equipment that is used to heat water for personal use, by the building's occupants or their guests;
    - (ii) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" for which you may be held liable, if you are a contractor and the owner or lessee of such premises, site or location has been added to your policy as an additional insured with respect to your ongoing operations performed for that additional insured at that premises, site or location and such premises, site or location is not and never was owned or occupied by, or rented or loaned to, any insured, other than that additional insured: or
    - (iii) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of heat, smoke or fumes from a "hostile fire";
  - (b) At or from any premises, site or location which is or was at any time used by or for any insured or others for the handling, storage, disposal, processing or treatment of waste;
  - (c) Which are or were at any time transported, handled, stored, treated, disposed of, or processed as waste by or for:
    - (i) Any insured; or
    - (ii) Any person or organization for whom you may be legally responsible; or

- (d) At or from any premises, site or location on which any insured or any contractors or subcontractors working directly or indirectly on any insured's behalf are performing operations if the "pollutants" are brought on or to the premises, site or location in connection with such operations by such insured, contractor or subcontractor. However, this subparagraph does not apply to:
  - (i) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the escape of fuels, lubricants or other operating fluids which are needed to perform the normal electrical, hydraulic or mechanical functions necessary for the operation of "mobile equipment" or its parts, if such fuels, lubricants or other operating fluids escape from a vehicle part designed to hold, store or receive them. This exception does not apply if the "bodily injury" or "property damage" arises out of the intentional discharge, dispersal or release of the fuels, lubricants or other operating fluids, or if such fuels, lubricants or other operating fluids are brought on or to the premises, site or location with the intent that they be discharged, dispersed or released as part of the operations being performed by such insured, contractor or subcontractor;
  - (ii) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" sustained within a building and caused by the release of gases, fumes or vapors from materials brought into that building in connection with operations being performed by you or on your behalf by a contractor or subcontractor; or
  - (iii) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of heat, smoke or fumes from a "hostile fire".
- (e) At or from any premises, site or location on which any insured or any contractors or subcontractors working directly or indirectly on any insured's behalf are performing operations if the operations are to test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize, or in any way respond to, or assess the effects of, "pollutants".

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- (2) Any loss, cost or expense arising out of any:
  - (a) Request, demand, order or statutory or regulatory requirement that any insured or others test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize, or in any way respond to, or assess the effects of, "pollutants"; or
  - (b) Claim or suit by or on behalf of a governmental authority for damages because of testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying or neutralizing, or in any way responding to, or assessing the effects of, "pollutants".

However, this paragraph does not apply to liability for damages because of "property damage" that the insured would have in the absence of such request, demand, order or statutory or regulatory requirement, or such claim or "suit" by or on behalf of a governmental authority.

# g. Aircraft, Auto Or Watercraft

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of the ownership, maintenance, use or entrustment to others of any aircraft, "auto" or watercraft owned or operated by or rented or loaned to any insured. Use includes operation and "loading or unloading".

This exclusion applies even if the claims against any insured allege negligence or other wrongdoing in the supervision, hiring, employment, training or monitoring of others by that insured, if the "occurrence" which caused the "bodily injury" or "property damage" involved the ownership, maintenance, use or entrustment to others of any aircraft, "auto" or watercraft that is owned or operated by or rented or loaned to any insured.

This exclusion does not apply to:

- (1) A watercraft while ashore on premises you own or rent;
- (2) A watercraft you do not own that is:
  - (a) Less than 26 feet long; and
  - (b) Not being used to carry persons or property for a charge;
- (3) Parking an "auto" on, or on the ways next to, premises you own or rent, provided the "auto" is not owned by or rented or loaned to you or the insured;
- (4) Liability assumed under any "insured contract" for the ownership, maintenance or use of aircraft or watercraft; or

- (5) "Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of:
  - (a) The operation of machinery or equipment that is attached to, or part of, a land vehicle that would qualify under the definition of "mobile equipment" if it were not subject to a compulsory or financial responsibility law or other motor vehicle insurance law where it is licensed or principally garaged; or
  - (b) The operation of any of the machinery or equipment listed in Paragraph f.(2) or f.(3) of the definition of "mobile equipment".

# h. Mobile Equipment

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of:

- (1) The transportation of "mobile equipment" by an "auto" owned or operated by or rented or loaned to any insured; or
- (2) The use of "mobile equipment" in, or while in practice for, or while being prepared for, any prearranged racing, speed, demolition, or stunting activity.

#### i. War

"Bodily injury" or "property damage", however caused, arising, directly or indirectly, out of:

- (1) War, including undeclared or civil war;
- (2) Warlike action by a military force, including action in hindering or defending against an actual or expected attack, by any government, sovereign or other authority using military personnel or other agents; or
- (3) Insurrection, rebellion, revolution, usurped power, or action taken by governmental authority in hindering or defending against any of these.

# j. Damage To Property

"Property damage" to:

- (1) Property you own, rent, or occupy, including any costs or expenses incurred by you, or any other person, organization or entity, for repair, replacement, enhancement, restoration or maintenance of such property for any reason, including prevention of injury to a person or damage to another's property;
- (2) Premises you sell, give away or abandon, if the "property damage" arises out of any part of those premises;
- (3) Property loaned to you;

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- (4) Personal property in the care, custody or control of the insured;
- (5) That particular part of real property on which you or any contractors or subcontractors working directly or indirectly on your behalf are performing operations, if the "property damage" arises out of those operations; or
- (6) That particular part of any property that must be restored, repaired or replaced because "your work" was incorrectly performed on it.

Paragraphs (1), (3) and (4) of this exclusion do not apply to "property damage" (other than damage by fire) to premises, including the contents of such premises, rented to you for a period of seven or fewer consecutive days. A separate limit of insurance applies to Damage To Premises Rented To You as described in Section III – Limits Of Insurance.

Paragraph (2) of this exclusion does not apply if the premises are "your work" and were never occupied, rented or held for rental by you.

Paragraphs (3), (4), (5) and (6) of this exclusion do not apply to liability assumed under a sidetrack agreement.

Paragraph (6) of this exclusion does not apply to "property damage" included in the "products-completed operations hazard".

# k. Damage To Your Product

"Property damage" to "your product" arising out of it or any part of it.

# I. Damage To Your Work

"Property damage" to "your work" arising out of it or any part of it and included in the "products-completed operations hazard".

This exclusion does not apply if the damaged work or the work out of which the damage arises was performed on your behalf by a subcontractor.

# m. Damage To Impaired Property Or Property Not Physically Injured

"Property damage" to "impaired property" or property that has not been physically injured, arising out of:

- (1) A defect, deficiency, inadequacy or dangerous condition in "your product" or "your work"; or
- (2) A delay or failure by you or anyone acting on your behalf to perform a contract or agreement in accordance with its terms.

This exclusion does not apply to the loss of use of other property arising out of sudden and accidental physical injury to "your product" or "your work" after it has been put to its intended use.

# n. Recall Of Products, Work Or Impaired Property

Damages claimed for any loss, cost or expense incurred by you or others for the loss of use, withdrawal, recall, inspection, repair, replacement, adjustment, removal or disposal of:

- "Your product";
- (2) "Your work"; or
- (3) "Impaired property";

if such product, work, or property is withdrawn or recalled from the market or from use by any person or organization because of a known or suspected defect, deficiency, inadequacy or dangerous condition in it.

# o. Personal And Advertising Injury

"Bodily injury" arising out of "personal and advertising injury".

#### p. Electronic Data

Damages arising out of the loss of, loss of use of, damage to, corruption of, inability to access, or inability to manipulate electronic data.

However, this exclusion does not apply to liability for damages because of "bodily injury".

As used in this exclusion, electronic data means information, facts or programs stored as or on, created or used on, or transmitted to or from computer software, including systems and applications software, hard or floppy disks, CD-ROMs, tapes, drives, cells, data processing devices or any other media which are used with electronically controlled equipment.

# Recording And Distribution Of Material Or Information In Violation Of Law

"Bodily injury" or "property damage" arising directly or indirectly out of any action or omission that violates or is alleged to violate:

- The Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA), including any amendment of or addition to such law;
- (2) The CAN-SPAM Act of 2003, including any amendment of or addition to such law;
- (3) The Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), and any amendment of or addition to such law, including the Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act (FACTA); or

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(4) Any federal, state or local statute, ordinance or regulation, other than the TCPA, CAN-SPAM Act of 2003 or FCRA and their amendments and additions, that addresses, prohibits, or limits the printing, dissemination, disposal, collecting, recording, sending, transmitting, communicating or distribution of material or information.

Exclusions **c.** through **n.** do not apply to damage by fire to premises while rented to you or temporarily occupied by you with permission of the owner. A separate limit of insurance applies to this coverage as described in Section **III** – Limits Of Insurance

# COVERAGE B - PERSONAL AND ADVERTISING INJURY LIABILITY

#### 1. Insuring Agreement

- a. We will pay those sums that the insured becomes legally obligated to pay as damages because of "personal and advertising injury" to which this insurance applies. We will have the right and duty to defend the insured against any "suit" seeking those damages. However, we will have no duty to defend the insured against any "suit" seeking damages for "personal and advertising injury" to which this insurance does not apply. We may, at our discretion, investigate any offense and settle any claim or "suit" that may result. But:
  - (1) The amount we will pay for damages is limited as described in Section III – Limits Of Insurance; and
  - (2) Our right and duty to defend end when we have used up the applicable limit of insurance in the payment of judgments or settlements under Coverages A or B or medical expenses under Coverage C.

No other obligation or liability to pay sums or perform acts or services is covered unless explicitly provided for under Supplementary Payments – Coverages **A** and **B**.

b. This insurance applies to "personal and advertising injury" caused by an offense arising out of your business but only if the offense was committed in the "coverage territory" during the policy period.

#### 2. Exclusions

This insurance does not apply to:

#### a. Knowing Violation Of Rights Of Another

"Personal and advertising injury" caused by or at the direction of the insured with the knowledge that the act would violate the rights of another and would inflict "personal and advertising injury".

#### b. Material Published With Knowledge Of Falsity

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of oral or written publication, in any manner, of material, if done by or at the direction of the insured with knowledge of its falsity.

#### c. Material Published Prior To Policy Period

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of oral or written publication, in any manner, of material whose first publication took place before the beginning of the policy period.

#### d. Criminal Acts

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of a criminal act committed by or at the direction of the insured.

#### e. Contractual Liability

"Personal and advertising injury" for which the insured has assumed liability in a contract or agreement. This exclusion does not apply to liability for damages that the insured would have in the absence of the contract or agreement.

#### f. Breach Of Contract

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of a breach of contract, except an implied contract to use another's advertising idea in your "advertisement".

# g. Quality Or Performance Of Goods – Failure To Conform To Statements

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of the failure of goods, products or services to conform with any statement of quality or performance made in your "advertisement".

#### h. Wrong Description Of Prices

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of the wrong description of the price of goods, products or services stated in your "advertisement".

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#### i. Infringement Of Copyright, Patent, Trademark Or Trade Secret

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of the infringement of copyright, patent, trademark, trade secret or other intellectual property rights. Under this exclusion, such other intellectual property rights do not include the use of another's advertising idea in your "advertisement"

However, this exclusion does not apply to infringement, in your "advertisement", of copyright, trade dress or slogan.

#### j. Insureds In Media And Internet Type Businesses

"Personal and advertising injury" committed by an insured whose business is:

- Advertising, broadcasting, publishing or telecasting;
- (2) Designing or determining content of web sites for others; or
- (3) An Internet search, access, content or service provider.

However, this exclusion does not apply to Paragraphs **14.a., b.** and **c.** of "personal and advertising injury" under the Definitions section

For the purposes of this exclusion, the placing of frames, borders or links, or advertising, for you or others anywhere on the Internet, is not by itself, considered the business of advertising, broadcasting, publishing or telecasting.

#### k. Electronic Chatrooms Or Bulletin Boards

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of an electronic chatroom or bulletin board the insured hosts, owns, or over which the insured exercises control.

#### I. Unauthorized Use Of Another's Name Or Product

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of the unauthorized use of another's name or product in your e-mail address, domain name or metatag, or any other similar tactics to mislead another's potential customers.

#### m. Pollution

"Personal and advertising injury" arising out of the actual, alleged or threatened discharge, dispersal, seepage, migration, release or escape of "pollutants" at any time.

#### n. Pollution-related

Any loss, cost or expense arising out of any:

- (1) Request, demand, order or statutory or regulatory requirement that any insured or others test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize, or in any way respond to, or assess the effects of, "pollutants"; or
- (2) Claim or suit by or on behalf of a governmental authority for damages because of testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying or neutralizing, or in any way responding to, or assessing the effects of, "pollutants".

#### o. War

"Personal and advertising injury", however caused, arising, directly or indirectly, out of:

- (1) War, including undeclared or civil war;
- (2) Warlike action by a military force, including action in hindering or defending against an actual or expected attack, by any government, sovereign or other authority using military personnel or other agents; or
- (3) Insurrection, rebellion, revolution, usurped power, or action taken by governmental authority in hindering or defending against any of these.

# p. Recording And Distribution Of Material Or Information In Violation Of Law

"Personal and advertising injury" arising directly or indirectly out of any action or omission that violates or is alleged to violate:

- (1) The Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA), including any amendment of or addition to such law;
- (2) The CAN-SPAM Act of 2003, including any amendment of or addition to such law;
- (3) The Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), and any amendment of or addition to such law, including the Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act (FACTA); or
- (4) Any federal, state or local statute, ordinance or regulation, other than the TCPA, CAN-SPAM Act of 2003 or FCRA and their amendments and additions, that addresses, prohibits, or limits the printing, dissemination, disposal, collecting, recording, sending, transmitting, communicating or distribution of material or information.

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## COVERAGE C - MEDICAL PAYMENTS

#### 1. Insuring Agreement

- a. We will pay medical expenses as described below for "bodily injury" caused by an accident:
  - (1) On premises you own or rent;
  - (2) On ways next to premises you own or rent;
  - (3) Because of your operations; provided that:
    - (a) The accident takes place in the "coverage territory" and during the policy period:
    - (b) The expenses are incurred and reported to us within one year of the date of the accident; and
    - (c) The injured person submits to examination, at our expense, by physicians of our choice as often as we reasonably require.
- b. We will make these payments regardless of fault. These payments will not exceed the applicable limit of insurance. We will pay reasonable expenses for:
  - (1) First aid administered at the time of an accident:
  - (2) Necessary medical, surgical, X-ray and dental services, including prosthetic devices; and
  - (3) Necessary ambulance, hospital, professional nursing and funeral services.

#### 2. Exclusions

We will not pay expenses for "bodily injury":

#### a. Any Insured

To any insured, except "volunteer workers".

#### b. Hired Person

To a person hired to do work for or on behalf of any insured or a tenant of any insured.

## c. Injury On Normally Occupied Premises

To a person injured on that part of premises you own or rent that the person normally occupies.

#### d. Workers' Compensation And Similar Laws

To a person, whether or not an "employee" of any insured, if benefits for the "bodily injury" are payable or must be provided under a workers' compensation or disability benefits law or a similar law.

#### e. Athletics Activities

To a person injured while practicing, instructing or participating in any physical exercises or games, sports, or athletic contests.

#### f. Products-Completed Operations Hazard

Included within the "products-completed operations hazard".

#### g. Coverage A Exclusions

Excluded under Coverage A.

# SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS – COVERAGES A AND B

- We will pay, with respect to any claim we investigate or settle, or any "suit" against an insured we defend:
  - a. All expenses we incur.
  - b. Up to \$250 for cost of bail bonds required because of accidents or traffic law violations arising out of the use of any vehicle to which the Bodily Injury Liability Coverage applies. We do not have to furnish these bonds.
  - c. The cost of bonds to release attachments, but only for bond amounts within the applicable limit of insurance. We do not have to furnish these bonds.
  - d. All reasonable expenses incurred by the insured at our request to assist us in the investigation or defense of the claim or "suit", including actual loss of earnings up to \$250 a day because of time off from work.
  - e. All court costs taxed against the insured in the "suit". However, these payments do not include attorneys' fees or attorneys' expenses taxed against the insured.
  - f. Prejudgment interest awarded against the insured on that part of the judgment we pay. If we make an offer to pay the applicable limit of insurance, we will not pay any prejudgment interest based on that period of time after the offer.

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g. All interest on the full amount of any judgment that accrues after entry of the judgment and before we have paid, offered to pay, or deposited in court the part of the judgment that is within the applicable limit of insurance.

These payments will not reduce the limits of insurance.

- 2. If we defend an insured against a "suit" and an indemnitee of the insured is also named as a party to the "suit", we will defend that indemnitee if all of the following conditions are met:
  - a. The "suit" against the indemnitee seeks damages for which the insured has assumed the liability of the indemnitee in a contract or agreement that is an "insured contract";
  - This insurance applies to such liability assumed by the insured;
  - c. The obligation to defend, or the cost of the defense of, that indemnitee, has also been assumed by the insured in the same "insured contract":
  - d. The allegations in the "suit" and the information we know about the "occurrence" are such that no conflict appears to exist between the interests of the insured and the interests of the indemnitee:
  - e. The indemnitee and the insured ask us to conduct and control the defense of that indemnitee against such "suit" and agree that we can assign the same counsel to defend the insured and the indemnitee; and
  - f. The indemnitee:
    - (1) Agrees in writing to:
      - (a) Cooperate with us in the investigation, settlement or defense of the "suit";
      - (b) Immediately send us copies of any demands, notices, summonses or legal papers received in connection with the "suit";
      - (c) Notify any other insurer whose coverage is available to the indemnitee; and
      - (d) Cooperate with us with respect to coordinating other applicable insurance available to the indemnitee; and
    - (2) Provides us with written authorization to:
      - (a) Obtain records and other information related to the "suit"; and
      - (b) Conduct and control the defense of the indemnitee in such "suit".

So long as the above conditions are met, attorneys' fees incurred by us in the defense of that indemnitee, necessary litigation expenses incurred by us and necessary litigation expenses incurred by the indemnitee at our request will be paid as Supplementary Payments. Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph 2.b.(2) of Section I – Coverage A – Bodily Injury And Property Damage Liability, such payments will not be deemed to be damages for "bodily injury" and "property damage" and will not reduce the limits of insurance.

Our obligation to defend an insured's indemnitee and to pay for attorneys' fees and necessary litigation expenses as Supplementary Payments ends when we have used up the applicable limit of insurance in the payment of judgments or settlements or the conditions set forth above, or the terms of the agreement described in Paragraph f. above, are no longer met.

#### SECTION II - WHO IS AN INSURED

- 1. If you are designated in the Declarations as:
  - a. An individual, you and your spouse are insureds, but only with respect to the conduct of a business of which you are the sole owner.
  - b. A partnership or joint venture, you are an insured. Your members, your partners, and their spouses are also insureds, but only with respect to the conduct of your business.
  - c. A limited liability company, you are an insured. Your members are also insureds, but only with respect to the conduct of your business. Your managers are insureds, but only with respect to their duties as your managers.
  - d. An organization other than a partnership, joint venture or limited liability company, you are an insured. Your "executive officers" and directors are insureds, but only with respect to their duties as your officers or directors. Your stockholders are also insureds, but only with respect to their liability as stockholders.
  - e. A trust, you are an insured. Your trustees are also insureds, but only with respect to their duties as trustees.

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- 2. Each of the following is also an insured:
  - a. Your "volunteer workers" only while performing duties related to the conduct of your business, or your "employees", other than either your "executive officers" (if you are an organization other than a partnership, joint venture or limited liability company) or your managers (if you are a limited liability company), but only for acts within the scope of their employment by you or while performing duties related to the conduct of your business. However, none of these "employees" or "volunteer workers" are insureds for:
    - (1) "Bodily injury" or "personal and advertising injury":
      - (a) To you, to your partners or members (if you are a partnership or joint venture), to your members (if you are a limited liability company), to a co-"employee" while in the course of his or her employment or performing duties related to the conduct of your business, or to your other "volunteer workers" while performing duties related to the conduct of your business;
      - (b) To the spouse, child, parent, brother or sister of that co-"employee" or "volunteer worker" as a consequence of Paragraph (1)(a) above;
      - (c) For which there is any obligation to share damages with or repay someone else who must pay damages because of the injury described in Paragraph (1)(a) or (b) above; or
      - (d) Arising out of his or her providing or failing to provide professional health care services.
    - (2) "Property damage" to property:
      - (a) Owned, occupied or used by;
      - (b) Rented to, in the care, custody or control of, or over which physical control is being exercised for any purpose by;

you, any of your "employees", "volunteer workers", any partner or member (if you are a partnership or joint venture), or any member (if you are a limited liability company).

b. Any person (other than your "employee" or "volunteer worker"), or any organization while acting as your real estate manager.

- c. Any person or organization having proper temporary custody of your property if you die, but only:
  - (1) With respect to liability arising out of the maintenance or use of that property; and
  - (2) Until your legal representative has been appointed.
- d. Your legal representative if you die, but only with respect to duties as such. That representative will have all your rights and duties under this Coverage Part.
- 3. Any organization you newly acquire or form, other than a partnership, joint venture or limited liability company, and over which you maintain ownership or majority interest, will qualify as a Named Insured if there is no other similar insurance available to that organization. However:
  - Coverage under this provision is afforded only until the 90th day after you acquire or form the organization or the end of the policy period, whichever is earlier;
  - b. Coverage A does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" that occurred before you acquired or formed the organization; and
  - c. Coverage B does not apply to "personal and advertising injury" arising out of an offense committed before you acquired or formed the organization.

No person or organization is an insured with respect to the conduct of any current or past partnership, joint venture or limited liability company that is not shown as a Named Insured in the Declarations.

#### SECTION III - LIMITS OF INSURANCE

- The Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations and the rules below fix the most we will pay regardless of the number of:
  - a. Insureds;
  - b. Claims made or "suits" brought; or
  - c. Persons or organizations making claims or bringing "suits".
- The General Aggregate Limit is the most we will pay for the sum of:
  - a. Medical expenses under Coverage C;
  - b. Damages under Coverage A, except damages because of "bodily injury" or "property damage" included in the "products-completed operations hazard"; and
  - c. Damages under Coverage B.

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- The Products-Completed Operations Aggregate Limit is the most we will pay under Coverage A for damages because of "bodily injury" and "property damage" included in the "products-completed operations hazard".
- 4. Subject to Paragraph 2. above, the Personal And Advertising Injury Limit is the most we will pay under Coverage B for the sum of all damages because of all "personal and advertising injury" sustained by any one person or organization.
- 5. Subject to Paragraph 2. or 3. above, whichever applies, the Each Occurrence Limit is the most we will pay for the sum of:
  - a. Damages under Coverage A; and
  - b. Medical expenses under Coverage C

because of all "bodily injury" and "property damage" arising out of any one "occurrence".

- 6. Subject to Paragraph 5. above, the Damage To Premises Rented To You Limit is the most we will pay under Coverage A for damages because of "property damage" to any one premises, while rented to you, or in the case of damage by fire, while rented to you or temporarily occupied by you with permission of the owner.
- Subject to Paragraph 5. above, the Medical Expense Limit is the most we will pay under Coverage C for all medical expenses because of "bodily injury" sustained by any one person.

The Limits of Insurance of this Coverage Part apply separately to each consecutive annual period and to any remaining period of less than 12 months, starting with the beginning of the policy period shown in the Declarations, unless the policy period is extended after issuance for an additional period of less than 12 months. In that case, the additional period will be deemed part of the last preceding period for purposes of determining the Limits of Insurance.

# SECTION IV - COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY CONDITIONS

### 1. Bankruptcy

Bankruptcy or insolvency of the insured or of the insured's estate will not relieve us of our obligations under this Coverage Part.

# 2. Duties In The Event Of Occurrence, Offense, Claim Or Suit

- a. You must see to it that we are notified as soon as practicable of an "occurrence" or an offense which may result in a claim. To the extent possible, notice should include:
  - How, when and where the "occurrence" or offense took place;
  - (2) The names and addresses of any injured persons and witnesses; and

- (3) The nature and location of any injury or damage arising out of the "occurrence" or offense
- **b.** If a claim is made or "suit" is brought against any insured, you must:
  - (1) Immediately record the specifics of the claim or "suit" and the date received; and
  - (2) Notify us as soon as practicable.

You must see to it that we receive written notice of the claim or "suit" as soon as practicable.

- c. You and any other involved insured must:
  - (1) Immediately send us copies of any demands, notices, summonses or legal papers received in connection with the claim or "suit";
  - (2) Authorize us to obtain records and other information:
  - (3) Cooperate with us in the investigation or settlement of the claim or defense against the "suit"; and
  - (4) Assist us, upon our request, in the enforcement of any right against any person or organization which may be liable to the insured because of injury or damage to which this insurance may also apply.
- d. No insured will, except at that insured's own cost, voluntarily make a payment, assume any obligation, or incur any expense, other than for first aid, without our consent.

#### 3. Legal Action Against Us

No person or organization has a right under this Coverage Part:

- To join us as a party or otherwise bring us into a "suit" asking for damages from an insured; or
- **b.** To sue us on this Coverage Part unless all of its terms have been fully complied with.

A person or organization may sue us to recover on an agreed settlement or on a final judgment against an insured; but we will not be liable for damages that are not payable under the terms of this Coverage Part or that are in excess of the applicable limit of insurance. An agreed settlement means a settlement and release of liability signed by us, the insured and the claimant or the claimant's legal representative.

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#### 4. Other Insurance

If other valid and collectible insurance is available to the insured for a loss we cover under Coverages **A** or **B** of this Coverage Part, our obligations are limited as follows:

#### a. Primary Insurance

This insurance is primary except when Paragraph **b.** below applies. If this insurance is primary, our obligations are not affected unless any of the other insurance is also primary. Then, we will share with all that other insurance by the method described in Paragraph **c.** below.

#### b. Excess Insurance

- (1) This insurance is excess over:
  - (a) Any of the other insurance, whether primary, excess, contingent or on any other basis:
    - (i) That is Fire, Extended Coverage, Builder's Risk, Installation Risk or similar coverage for "your work";
    - (ii) That is Fire insurance for premises rented to you or temporarily occupied by you with permission of the owner;
    - (iii) That is insurance purchased by you to cover your liability as a tenant for "property damage" to premises rented to you or temporarily occupied by you with permission of the owner; or
    - (iv) If the loss arises out of the maintenance or use of aircraft, "autos" or watercraft to the extent not subject to Exclusion g. of Section I – Coverage A – Bodily Injury And Property Damage Liability.
  - (b) Any other primary insurance available to you covering liability for damages arising out of the premises or operations, or the products and completed operations, for which you have been added as an additional insured.
- (2) When this insurance is excess, we will have no duty under Coverages A or B to defend the insured against any "suit" if any other insurer has a duty to defend the insured against that "suit". If no other insurer defends, we will undertake to do so, but we will be entitled to the insured's rights against all those other insurers.

- (3) When this insurance is excess over other insurance, we will pay only our share of the amount of the loss, if any, that exceeds the sum of:
  - (a) The total amount that all such other insurance would pay for the loss in the absence of this insurance; and
  - (b) The total of all deductible and selfinsured amounts under all that other insurance.
- (4) We will share the remaining loss, if any, with any other insurance that is not described in this Excess Insurance provision and was not bought specifically to apply in excess of the Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations of this Coverage Part.

#### c. Method Of Sharing

If all of the other insurance permits contribution by equal shares, we will follow this method also. Under this approach each insurer contributes equal amounts until it has paid its applicable limit of insurance or none of the loss remains, whichever comes first.

If any of the other insurance does not permit contribution by equal shares, we will contribute by limits. Under this method, each insurer's share is based on the ratio of its applicable limit of insurance to the total applicable limits of insurance of all insurers.

#### 5. Premium Audit

- a. We will compute all premiums for this Coverage Part in accordance with our rules and rates.
- b. Premium shown in this Coverage Part as advance premium is a deposit premium only. At the close of each audit period we will compute the earned premium for that period and send notice to the first Named Insured. The due date for audit and retrospective premiums is the date shown as the due date on the bill. If the sum of the advance and audit premiums paid for the policy period is greater than the earned premium, we will return the excess to the first Named Insured.
- c. The first Named Insured must keep records of the information we need for premium computation, and send us copies at such times as we may request.

#### 6. Representations

By accepting this policy, you agree:

**a.** The statements in the Declarations are accurate and complete;

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- Those statements are based upon representations you made to us; and
- c. We have issued this policy in reliance upon your representations.

#### 7. Separation Of Insureds

Except with respect to the Limits of Insurance, and any rights or duties specifically assigned in this Coverage Part to the first Named Insured, this insurance applies:

- a. As if each Named Insured were the only Named Insured; and
- Separately to each insured against whom claim is made or "suit" is brought.

# 8. Transfer Of Rights Of Recovery Against Others To Us

If the insured has rights to recover all or part of any payment we have made under this Coverage Part, those rights are transferred to us. The insured must do nothing after loss to impair them. At our request, the insured will bring "suit" or transfer those rights to us and help us enforce them.

#### 9. When We Do Not Renew

If we decide not to renew this Coverage Part, we will mail or deliver to the first Named Insured shown in the Declarations written notice of the nonrenewal not less than 30 days before the expiration date.

If notice is mailed, proof of mailing will be sufficient proof of notice.

#### **SECTION V - DEFINITIONS**

- "Advertisement" means a notice that is broadcast or published to the general public or specific market segments about your goods, products or services for the purpose of attracting customers or supporters. For the purposes of this definition:
  - Notices that are published include material placed on the Internet or on similar electronic means of communication; and
  - b. Regarding web sites, only that part of a web site that is about your goods, products or services for the purposes of attracting customers or supporters is considered an advertisement.

## 2. "Auto" means:

- a. A land motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer designed for travel on public roads, including any attached machinery or equipment; or
- b. Any other land vehicle that is subject to a compulsory or financial responsibility law or other motor vehicle insurance law where it is licensed or principally garaged.

- However, "auto" does not include "mobile equipment".
- "Bodily injury" means bodily injury, sickness or disease sustained by a person, including death resulting from any of these at any time.
- 4. "Coverage territory" means:
  - The United States of America (including its territories and possessions), Puerto Rico and Canada;
  - b. International waters or airspace, but only if the injury or damage occurs in the course of travel or transportation between any places included in Paragraph a. above; or
  - c. All other parts of the world if the injury or damage arises out of:
    - Goods or products made or sold by you in the territory described in Paragraph a. above;
    - (2) The activities of a person whose home is in the territory described in Paragraph a. above, but is away for a short time on your business; or
    - (3) "Personal and advertising injury" offenses that take place through the Internet or similar electronic means of communication;

provided the insured's responsibility to pay damages is determined in a "suit" on the merits, in the territory described in Paragraph **a.** above or in a settlement we agree to.

- "Employee" includes a "leased worker". "Employee" does not include a "temporary worker".
- "Executive officer" means a person holding any of the officer positions created by your charter, constitution, bylaws or any other similar governing document.
- "Hostile fire" means one which becomes uncontrollable or breaks out from where it was intended to be.
- 8. "Impaired property" means tangible property, other than "your product" or "your work", that cannot be used or is less useful because:
  - a. It incorporates "your product" or "your work" that is known or thought to be defective, deficient, inadequate or dangerous; or
  - b. You have failed to fulfill the terms of a contract or agreement;

if such property can be restored to use by the repair, replacement, adjustment or removal of "your product" or "your work" or your fulfilling the terms of the contract or agreement.

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- 9. "Insured contract" means:
  - a. A contract for a lease of premises. However, that portion of the contract for a lease of premises that indemnifies any person or organization for damage by fire to premises while rented to you or temporarily occupied by you with permission of the owner is not an "insured contract":
  - b. A sidetrack agreement;
  - Any easement or license agreement, except in connection with construction or demolition operations on or within 50 feet of a railroad;
  - d. An obligation, as required by ordinance, to indemnify a municipality, except in connection with work for a municipality;
  - e. An elevator maintenance agreement;
  - f. That part of any other contract or agreement pertaining to your business (including an indemnification of a municipality in connection with work performed for a municipality) under which you assume the tort liability of another party to pay for "bodily injury" or "property damage" to a third person or organization. Tort liability means a liability that would be imposed by law in the absence of any contract or agreement.

Paragraph **f.** does not include that part of any contract or agreement:

- (1) That indemnifies a railroad for "bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of construction or demolition operations, within 50 feet of any railroad property and affecting any railroad bridge or trestle, tracks, road-beds, tunnel, underpass or crossing;
- (2) That indemnifies an architect, engineer or surveyor for injury or damage arising out of:
  - (a) Preparing, approving, or failing to prepare or approve, maps, shop drawings, opinions, reports, surveys, field orders, change orders or drawings and specifications; or
  - (b) Giving directions or instructions, or failing to give them, if that is the primary cause of the injury or damage; or
- (3) Under which the insured, if an architect, engineer or surveyor, assumes liability for an injury or damage arising out of the insured's rendering or failure to render professional services, including those listed in (2) above and supervisory, inspection, architectural or engineering activities.

- 10. "Leased worker" means a person leased to you by a labor leasing firm under an agreement between you and the labor leasing firm, to perform duties related to the conduct of your business. "Leased worker" does not include a "temporary worker".
- 11."Loading or unloading" means the handling of property:
  - After it is moved from the place where it is accepted for movement into or onto an aircraft, watercraft or "auto";
  - While it is in or on an aircraft, watercraft or "auto"; or
  - While it is being moved from an aircraft, watercraft or "auto" to the place where it is finally delivered;

but "loading or unloading" does not include the movement of property by means of a mechanical device, other than a hand truck, that is not attached to the aircraft, watercraft or "auto".

- 12."Mobile equipment" means any of the following types of land vehicles, including any attached machinery or equipment:
  - Bulldozers, farm machinery, forklifts and other vehicles designed for use principally off public roads;
  - b. Vehicles maintained for use solely on or next to premises you own or rent;
  - c. Vehicles that travel on crawler treads;
  - d. Vehicles, whether self-propelled or not, maintained primarily to provide mobility to permanently mounted:
    - Power cranes, shovels, loaders, diggers or drills; or
    - (2) Road construction or resurfacing equipment such as graders, scrapers or rollers;
  - e. Vehicles not described in Paragraph a., b., c. or d. above that are not self-propelled and are maintained primarily to provide mobility to permanently attached equipment of the following types:
    - (1) Air compressors, pumps and generators, including spraying, welding, building cleaning, geophysical exploration, lighting and well servicing equipment; or
    - (2) Cherry pickers and similar devices used to raise or lower workers;
  - f. Vehicles not described in Paragraph a., b., c. or d. above maintained primarily for purposes other than the transportation of persons or cargo.

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However, self-propelled vehicles with the following types of permanently attached equipment are not "mobile equipment" but will be considered "autos":

- (1) Equipment designed primarily for:
  - (a) Snow removal;
  - (b) Road maintenance, but not construction or resurfacing; or
  - (c) Street cleaning;
- (2) Cherry pickers and similar devices mounted on automobile or truck chassis and used to raise or lower workers; and
- (3) Air compressors, pumps and generators, including spraying, welding, building cleaning, geophysical exploration, lighting and well servicing equipment.

However, "mobile equipment" does not include any land vehicles that are subject to a compulsory or financial responsibility law or other motor vehicle insurance law where it is licensed or principally garaged. Land vehicles subject to a compulsory or financial responsibility law or other motor vehicle insurance law are considered "autos".

- 13."Occurrence" means an accident, including continuous or repeated exposure to substantially the same general harmful conditions.
- 14. "Personal and advertising injury" means injury, including consequential "bodily injury", arising out of one or more of the following offenses:
  - a. False arrest, detention or imprisonment;
  - b. Malicious prosecution;
  - c. The wrongful eviction from, wrongful entry into, or invasion of the right of private occupancy of a room, dwelling or premises that a person occupies, committed by or on behalf of its owner, landlord or lessor;
  - d. Oral or written publication, in any manner, of material that slanders or libels a person or organization or disparages a person's or organization's goods, products or services;
  - e. Oral or written publication, in any manner, of material that violates a person's right of privacy;
  - f. The use of another's advertising idea in your "advertisement"; or
  - g. Infringing upon another's copyright, trade dress or slogan in your "advertisement".
- 15."Pollutants" mean any solid, liquid, gaseous or thermal irritant or contaminant, including smoke, vapor, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, chemicals and waste. Waste includes materials to be recycled, reconditioned or reclaimed.

- 16. "Products-completed operations hazard":
  - a. Includes all "bodily injury" and "property damage" occurring away from premises you own or rent and arising out of "your product" or "your work" except:
    - (1) Products that are still in your physical possession; or
    - (2) Work that has not yet been completed or abandoned. However, "your work" will be deemed completed at the earliest of the following times:
      - (a) When all of the work called for in your contract has been completed.
      - (b) When all of the work to be done at the job site has been completed if your contract calls for work at more than one job site.
      - (c) When that part of the work done at a job site has been put to its intended use by any person or organization other than another contractor or subcontractor working on the same project.

Work that may need service, maintenance, correction, repair or replacement, but which is otherwise complete, will be treated as completed.

- b. Does not include "bodily injury" or "property damage" arising out of:
  - (1) The transportation of property, unless the injury or damage arises out of a condition in or on a vehicle not owned or operated by you, and that condition was created by the "loading or unloading" of that vehicle by any insured;
  - (2) The existence of tools, uninstalled equipment or abandoned or unused materials; or
  - (3) Products or operations for which the classification, listed in the Declarations or in a policy Schedule, states that productscompleted operations are subject to the General Aggregate Limit.
- 17. "Property damage" means:
  - a. Physical injury to tangible property, including all resulting loss of use of that property. All such loss of use shall be deemed to occur at the time of the physical injury that caused it; or
  - b. Loss of use of tangible property that is not physically injured. All such loss of use shall be deemed to occur at the time of the "occurrence" that caused it.

For the purposes of this insurance, electronic data is not tangible property.

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As used in this definition, electronic data means information, facts or programs stored as or on, created or used on, or transmitted to or from computer software, including systems and applications software, hard or floppy disks, CD-ROMs, tapes, drives, cells, data processing devices or any other media which are used with electronically controlled equipment.

- 18. "Suit" means a civil proceeding in which damages because of "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" to which this insurance applies are alleged. "Suit" includes:
  - a. An arbitration proceeding in which such damages are claimed and to which the insured must submit or does submit with our consent; or
  - b. Any other alternative dispute resolution proceeding in which such damages are claimed and to which the insured submits with our consent.
- 19. "Temporary worker" means a person who is furnished to you to substitute for a permanent "employee" on leave or to meet seasonal or shortterm workload conditions.
- 20. "Volunteer worker" means a person who is not your "employee", and who donates his or her work and acts at the direction of and within the scope of duties determined by you, and is not paid a fee, salary or other compensation by you or anyone else for their work performed for you.
- 21."Your product":
  - a. Means:
    - (1) Any goods or products, other than real property, manufactured, sold, handled, distributed or disposed of by:
      - (a) You;
      - (b) Others trading under your name; or
      - (c) A person or organization whose business or assets you have acquired; and
    - (2) Containers (other than vehicles), materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such goods or products.

#### b. Includes:

- (1) Warranties or representations made at any time with respect to the fitness, quality, durability, performance or use of "your product"; and
- (2) The providing of or failure to provide warnings or instructions.
- c. Does not include vending machines or other property rented to or located for the use of others but not sold.

#### 22."Your work":

- a. Means:
  - Work or operations performed by you or on your behalf; and
  - (2) Materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations.

#### b. Includes:

- (1) Warranties or representations made at any time with respect to the fitness, quality, durability, performance or use of "your work"; and
- (2) The providing of or failure to provide warnings or instructions.

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## MCS-90: Motor Carrier Public Liability

#### ENDORSEMENT FOR Form Approved OMB No. 2125-0074 MOTOR CARRIER POLICIES OF INSURANCE FOR PUBLIC LIABILITY UNDER SECTIONS 29 AND 30 OF THE MOTOR CARRIER ACT OF 1980 issued to Dated at Jackson, MS this day of Amending Policy No. Effective Date Name of insurance Company: Brieffield Insurance Company Telephone Number: 1-800-530-7800 Countersigned by The policy to which this endorsement is attached provides primary or excess insurance, as indicated by "IXI" for the limits shown: This insurance is primary and the company shall not be liable for amounts in excess of for each accident. for each accident in excess of the underlying This insurance is excess and the company shall not be liable for amounts in excess of Whenever required by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) or the Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC), the company agrées to furnish the FHWA or the ICC a duplicate of said policy and all its endorsements. The company also agrees, upon telephone request by an authorized representative of the FHWA or the ICC, to verify that the policy is in force as of a particular date. Cancellation of this endorsement may be effected by the company or the insured by giving (1) thirty-five (35) days notice in writing to the party (said 35 days notice to commence from the date the notice is malled, proof of malling shall be sufficient proof of notice), and (2) if the insured is subject to the ICC's jurisdiction, by providing thirty (30) days notice to the ICC (said 30 days notice to commence from the date the notice is received by the ICC at its office in Washington, D.C.). DEFINITIONS AS USED IN THIS ENDORSEMENT ACCIDENT includes continuous or repeated exposure to conditions accidental discharge, dispersal, release or escape into or upon the which results in bodily injury, property damage, or environmental damage which the insured neither expected nor intended. land, atmosphere, watercourse, or body of water, of any commodity transported by a motor carrier. This shall include the cost of removal and the cost of necessary measures taken to minimize or mitigate MOTOR VEHICLE means a land vehicle, machine, truck, tractor, damage to human health, the natural environment, fish, shelifish, and trailer, or semitralier propelled or drawn by mechanical power and wiidlife used on a highway for transporting property, or any combination PROPERTY DAMAGE means damage to or loss of use of tangible thereof. property BODILY INJURY means injury to the body, sickness, or disease to any person, including death resulting from any of these PUBLIC LIABILITY means liability for bodily injury, property damage, and environmental restoration. ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION means restitution for the loss damage, or destruction of natural resources arising out of the The insurance policy to which this endorsement is attached provides any other endorsement thereon, or violation thereof, shall relieve the automobile liability insurance and is amended to assure compliance company from liability or from the payment of any final judgment, by the insured, within the limits stated herein, as a motor carrier of within the limits of liability herein described, irrespective of the financial condition, insolvency or bankruptcy of the insured. However, all terms, conditions and limitations in the policy to which property, with Sections 29 and 30 of the Motor Camer Act of 1980 and the rules and regulations of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC). the endorsement is attached shall remain in full force and effect as binding between the insured and the company. The insured agrees to reimburse the company for any payment made by the company on in consideration of the premium stated in the policy to which this endorsement is attached, the insurer (the company) agrees to pay, account of any accident, claim, or sult involving a breach of the terms within the limits of liability described berein, any final judgment of the policy, and for any payment that the company would not have been obligated to make under the provisions of the policy except for recovered against the insured for public liability resulting from negligence in the operation, maintenance or use of motor vehicles subject to the financial responsibility requirements of Sections 29 and the agreement contained in this endorsement. 30 of the Motor Carrier Act of 1980 regardless of whether or not each it is further understood and agreed that, upon failure of the company motor vehicle is specifically described in the policy and whether or to pay any final judgment recovered against the insured as provided not such negligence occurs on any route or in any territory herein, the judgment creditor may maintain an action in any court of authorized to be served by the insured or elsewhere. Such insurance competent jurisdiction against the company to compel such payment. as is afforded, for public liability, does not apply to injury to or death The limits of the company's liability for the amounts prescribed in this of the insured's employees while engaged in the course of their endorsement apply separately, to each accident, and any payment under the policy because of any one accident shall not operate to employment or property fransported by the Insured, designated as cargo. It is understood and agreed that no condition, provision, reduce the liability of the company for the payment of final judgments stipulation, or limitation contained in the policy, this endorsement, or resulting from any other accident The Motor Carrier Act of 1980 requires limits of financial responsibility according to the type of carriage and commodity transported by the motor carrier. It is the MOTOR CARRIER'S obligation to obtain the required limits of financial responsibility. THE SCHEDULE OF LIMITS SHOWN ON THE NEXT PAGE DOES NOT PROVIDE COVERAGE. The limits shown in the schedule are for information purposes only MC 1622j (3-96) Form MCS-90 Page 1 of 2



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## SCHEDULE OF LIMITS Public Liability

Property (nonhazardous). \$  Hazardous substances, as defined in 49 CFR 171.8,	750,000 5,000,000
	5,000,000
transported in cargo tanks, portable tanks, or hopper- type vehicles with capacities in excess of 3,500 water gallons; or in bulk Divisions 1.1, 1.2, and 1.3 materials; any quantity of Division 2.3 Hazard Zone A policyision	>
Division 2.1 or 2.2; or highway route controlled quantities of a Class 7 material as defined in 49 CFR 173.403.	
Oil listed in 49 CFR 172.101, hazardous materials and hazardous substances defined in 49 CFR 171.8 and listed in 49 CFR 172.101, but not mentioned in (2) above or (4) below.	/ 1,000,000
Any quantity of Division 1.1, 1.2 or 1.3 material; any quantity of a Division 2.3 Hazard Zone A, or Division 6.1 Packing Group 1. Hazard Zone A material; or highway route controlled quantities of Class 7 material as defined in 49 CFR 173.403.	5,000,000
	gallons; or in bulk Divisions 1.1, 1.2, and 1.3 materials; any quantity of Division 2.3 Hazard Zone A or Division 6.1, Packing Group 1, Hazard Zone A material; in bulk Division 2.1 or 2.2; or highway route controlled quantities of a Class 7 material as defined in 49 CFR 173.403.  Oil listed in 49 CFR 172.101, hazardous materials and hazardous substances defined in 49 CFR 171.8 and listed in 49 CFR 172.101, but not mentioned in (2) above or (4) below.  Any quantity of Division 1.1, 1.2 or 1.3 material; any quantity of a Division 2.3 Hazard Zone A, or Division 6.1, Packing Group 1, Hazard Zone A material; or highway route controlled quantities of Class 7 material

Note: The type of carriage listed under (1), (2), and (3) applies to vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating of 10,000 pounds or more. The type of carriage listed under number (4) applies to all vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating of less than 10,000 pounds.

#### SCHÉDULE OF LIMITS Public Liability

For-hire motor carriers of passengers operating in interstate or foreign commerce

	Vehicle Seating Capacity	Minimum Insurance
(1) Any vehicle with a seating	capacity of 16 passengers or more.	\$ 5,000,000
(2) Any vehicle with a seating	capacity of 15 passengers or less.	1,500,000

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# **Performance Bond**

BOND NO
PREMIUM:
WHEREAS, The
WHEREAS, Said principal is required under the terms of said agreement to furnish a bond for the faithful performance of said agreement;
NOW, THEREFORE, We, the principal andas surety, are held and firmly bound unto the hereinafter called "The Obligee," in the penal sum of dollars (\$
successors, executors and administrators, jointly and severally firmly by these presents.
The condition of this obligation is such that if the above bound principal, his or its heirs, executors, administrators, successors or assigns, shall in all things stand to and abide by, and well and truly keep and perform the covenants, conditions and provisions in the said agreement and any alteration thereof made as therein provided, on his or their part, to be kept and perform and at the time and in the manner therein specified, and in all respects according to their true intent and meaning, and shall indemnify and save harmless the Obligee, its officers, agents and employees, as therein stipulated, then this obligation shall become null and void; otherwise it shall be and remain in full force and effect.
As part of the obligation secured hereby and in addition to the face amount specified therefore, there shall be included costs and reasonable expenses and fees, including reasonable attorney's fees, incurred by county in successfully enforcing such obligation, all to be taxed as costs and included in any judgment rendered.
The surety hereby stipulates and agrees that no change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the agreement or to the work to be performed thereunder or the specification accompanying the same shall in any wise affect its obligations on this bond, and it does hereby waive notice of any such change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the agreement or to the work or to the specifications.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument has been duly executed by the principal and surety above named, on
By PRINCIPAL
By:PRINCIPAL
By:ATTORNEY-IN-FACT



# **Payment Bond Public Works**

BOND NO.:
KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we,
Principal, and, incorporated under the laws of the Stat of and authorized to execute bonds and undertakings as sole surety, a
of and authorized to execute bonds and undertakings as sole surety, a
Surety, are held and firmly bound unto any and all persons named in California Civil Cod
Section 1181 whose claim has not been paid by the contractor, company or corporation, i
the aggregate total of dollars (\$ ), for the paymen
whereof, well and truly to be made, said Principal and Surety bind themselves, their heirs
administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these present.
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The Condition of the foregoing obligation is such that; whereas the above bounde
Principal has entered into a contract, dated, with th
to do the following work, to-wit:
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corporation, or his or its subcontractor, fails to pay any claimant named in Section 3181 of
the Civil Code of the State of California, or amounts due under the Unemployment Insurance
Code, with respect to work or labor performed by any such claimant, that, the Surety on this
bond will pay the same, in an amount not exceeding the aggregate sum specified in this bond
and also in case suit is brought upon this bond, a reasonable attorney's fee, which shall b
awarded by the court to the prevailing party in said suit, said attorney's fee to be taxes a
costs in said suit.
This bond shall inure to the benefit of any person named in Section 3181 of the Civil
Code of the State of California so as to vie a right of action to them or their assignees in an
suit brought upon this bond,
This bond is executed and filed to comply with the provisions of the act of
Legislature of the State of California as designated in Civil Code Sections 3247-325
inclusive, and all amendments thereto.
Signed and sealed this,,
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BY
ATTORNEY-IN-FACT



# **APPENDIX C:** Sample Hold Harmless Agreements

The second step in the process of contractual risk transfer outlined in this manual is to use good hold harmless language to provide your entity the broadest protection possible in the event of a claim or suit arising from the contractor's services, work product, or activities. Hold harmless language should be included in all types of agreements, including permits, purchase orders, and leases.

In contract, the language that transfers the risk from one organization to another is commonly referred to as the hold harmless clause. Note that a hold harmless clause may also be referred to as an indemnification clause. This clause should specifically spell out the responsibilities of your entity and the contractor. It will identify which types of losses the parties to the agreement will be responsible for.

Often times, the hold harmless language will be a mutual hold harmless clause which is a frequent practice when two or more public agencies are signatories to agreements. This practice is not recommended when you are contracting with private organizations, however, agreements should require contractors to assume all of the liability imposed by the actions of the agreements. This type of liability transfer will generally be recognized and upheld in the legal system as long as the inherent risk transferred is commensurate with the compensation to the contractor. We strongly recommend that legal, risk management, and other disciplines within your organization collaborate to create hold harmless agreements that are acceptable to your entity.

The following hold-harmless agreement wordings are provided as examples only. Innumerable alternatives to these forms are possible, each alternative having a different purpose depending on the wishes of the parties. **Drafting hold harmless language in contracts is a crucial part of the risk transfer process and should not be undertaken without the advice and assistance of legal counsel.** 

Indemnity and hold harmless provisions are regulated by the California Civil Code and case law interpreting the Code sections. Under Civil Code Section 1668,

All contracts which have for their object, directly or indirectly, to exempt anyone from responsibility for his own fraud, or willful injury to the person or property of another, or violation of law, whether willful or negligent, are against the policy of the law.

Under Civil Code Section 2773,

An agreement to indemnify a person against an act thereafter to be done, is void, if the act be known by such person at the time of doing it to be unlawful.

Civil Code Section 2782(b) provides that

Except as provided in Sections 2782.1, 2787.2, and 2782.5, provisions, clauses, covenants or agreements contained in, collateral to or affecting any construction contract with a public agency which purport to impose on the contractor, or relieve the public agency from, liability for the active negligence of the public agency shall be void and unenforceable.



Section 2782.1 makes an exception where the contract is not being performed for the public agency, but the public agency as an accommodation allows the contractor to enter upon its property or adjacent to its property. Section 2782.2 permits the owner of a project to indemnify a professional engineer if certain conditions are met. Section 2782.5 permits parties to a construction contract to negotiate and expressly agree with respect to the allocation, release, liquidation, exclusion, or limitation as between the parties of any liability (a) for design defects, or (b) of the promisee to the promisor arising out of or relating to the construction contract.

California case law has analyzed indemnity clauses as falling under these three classifications. (However, some cases indicate that the intent of the parties controls the case regardless of these classification cases.)

# **Example 1 - Type I Indemnity Language**

This is the recommended type of indemnity for most contracts, with sample language:

Contractor shall hold harmless, defend and indemnify Entity and its officers, officials, employees and volunteers from and against any and all liability, loss, damage, expense, costs (including without limitation costs and fees of litigation) of every nature arising out of or in connection with Contractor's performance of work hereunder or its failure to comply with any of its obligations contained in the agreement, except such loss or damage which was caused by the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the Entity.

The contractor promises your Entity to assume all risk of loss resulting from the project, including losses caused by the joint negligence of your Entity and the contractor or its subcontractors. The only exceptions are for your sole negligence or willful acts.

Caution regarding Type 1: While this type of agreement provides the broadest protection for the Entity, it would be subject to challenge under Civil Code Section 2782(b) because it purports to indemnify the Entity for losses for its active negligence. If you have a construction contract (defined in Civil Code Section 2783), Example 2 (below) should be used instead.

## **Example 2 – Intermediate Form – For Construction Contracts**

For public entity construction contracts, you must also have an exception for your active negligence. Sample language, with emphasis added:

Contractor shall hold harmless, defend, and indemnify Entity and its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers from and against all claims, damages, losses, and expenses including attorney fees arising out of the performance of the work described herein, caused in whole or in part by any negligent act or omission of the Contractor, any subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them, or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, except where caused by the **active negligence**, sole negligence, or willful misconduct of the Entity.

In this second example, the Entity receives indemnification if it was not negligent or if its negligence was only passive. There is a great deal of case law on the active/passive distinction, but essentially active negligence is affirmative participation in causing the harm,



or failure to prevent a known danger, whereas passive negligence is failure to detect a danger which the Entity is under a duty to detect, such as a dangerous condition on its property created by the contractor.

There is a great variety of language used to arrive at this type of intermediate form because any indemnity contract which does not specifically refer to the indemnitee's negligence will be construed as this type of general clause, not providing indemnity for active negligence. So, if the contract promises indemnity for losses, however caused, regardless of responsibility for negligence, arising from use of the premises, facilities or services, or caused by any person or persons, the wording will be interpreted as a general indemnity clause.

# **Example 3 - Limited Form**

Contractor agrees to protect, indemnify, and save harmless Entity and its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers from and against all claims, demands, and causes of action by Contractor's employees or third parties on account of personal injuries or death or on account of property damages arising out of the work to be performed by contractor hereunder and resulting from the negligent act or omissions of Contractor, Contractor's agents, employees, or subcontractors.

This example is the most limited type of indemnity agreement because it only provides indemnity to the extent of the contractor's negligence or the negligence of its subcontractors. Under this type of agreement, any negligence on the part of the Entity, either active or passive, will bar indemnification under the contract, even if the contractor was also negligent. This type of clause is not recommended because it does not provide protection to the Entity.

## **Example 4 – Design Professional Contract Language**

A significant restriction for public entity contracts with "Design Professionals" has been enacted since the last edition of this manual. Civil Code §2782.8 became effective as of January 1, 2007, and limits the indemnity language a public agency may use by stating:

"design professional services contracts that purport to indemnify, including the cost to defend, the public agency by a design professional against liability for claims against the public agency are unenforceable, except claims that arise out of, pertain to, or relate to the negligence, recklessness or willful misconduct of the design professional."

"Design professional" includes all of the following: licensed architects, landscape architects, professional engineers, and professional land surveyors. It does not include and therefore may not apply to construction management or inspection services.

An appropriate hold harmless for public entity contracts with design professionals may read as follows:

Design Professional agrees to indemnify, including the cost to defend, entity and its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers from and against any and all claims, demands, costs, or liability that arise out of, or pertain to, or relate to the negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct of Design Professional



and its employees or agents in the performance of services under this contract, but this indemnity does not apply to liability for damages arising from the sole negligence, active negligence, or willful acts of the Entity.

The sample language includes the exception for the entity's active negligence since most contracts with architects and engineers are construction contracts.

For design/build contracts or liability that may arise from the activities of the design professional not related to professional services you may want to use two separate hold harmless agreements, both example 4, for design professional liability, and example 2, for all other liability, in the contract. Also consider separate contracts, one for the design and one for the build, if appropriate.

## **Summary - Hold Harmless Language - Depends on Contract**

- **General Contracts** Example 1 Type I Indemnity
  - All claims arising from all acts or omissions except those arising from agency's sole negligence or willful acts
- **Construction Contracts** Example 2 Intermediate Form
  - All claims arising from all acts or omissions except those arising from agency's sole or active negligence or willful acts
- **Design Professional Contracts** Example 4 Per Civil Code
  - All claims that arise out of, pertain to, or relate to, directly or indirectly, in
    whole or in part, the negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct of Design
    Professional, any sub consultant, anyone directly or indirectly employed by
    them, or anyone that they control, except those arising from agency's sole or
    active negligence or willful acts

## • Limited Forms – Example 3 – Based on Bargaining Power

Contractors and professional service providers may balk at your entity's preferred hold harmless language and suggest changes. Be aware of language that is not as broad as recommended above and involve legal counsel in any proposed changes. You should give up any protections grudgingly, but at times you may have to accept less than you'd like.

Many contractors will attempt to limit their responsibility only to negligent acts, or only the portion of the damages they cause by inserting qualifiers such as "to the extent caused by" their actions, or to limit the types of damage to bodily injury or property damage, or otherwise try to limit their obligations to what their insurance will cover. Sample language, with emphasis added:

All claims for property damage and bodily injury, including death, arising out of the work to be performed by contractor hereunder and resulting from the negligent act or omissions of Contractor, Contractor's agents, employees or subcontractors.



# • Note on Use of Mutual Hold Harmless Agreements

- Most of the time you shouldn't do it!
- If you are paying for a service you should be indemnified by other party.
- Can be more confusing than helpful.
- You WANT to be indemnified even if you are a % at fault.
- If you WANT to pay your share you can always agree to be "fair" later.
- Matter of bargaining power. Best you can get?
- OK for <u>joint</u> use/activity, use of other's facilities, but make sure scope of work is clear!

# **Release Agreement**

If you have a defined group of persons who might be exposed to the harm (for example, participants in an athletic event on Entity property), a release agreement can be prepared. Generally, a release agreement must be prominently displayed, no smaller than 8- to 10-point type. The language cannot be overly complex, nor can it be buried in other verbiage. A standard release might read as follows:

In consideration of the acceptance of my application for entry into the above event, I hereby waive, release, and discharge any and all claims for damages for death, personal injury, or property damage which I may have, or which hereafter accrue to me, against the Entity as a result of my participation in the event. This release is intended to discharge the Entity, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers, any other involved municipalities or public agencies from and against any and all liability arising out of or connected in any way with my participation in the event, even though that liability may arise out of the negligence or carelessness on the part of persons or Entities mentioned above. I further understand that accidents and injuries can arise out of the event; knowing the risks, nevertheless, I hereby agree to assume those risks and to release and to hold harmless all of the persons or agencies mentioned above who (through negligence or carelessness) might otherwise be liable to me (or my heirs or assigns) for damages. It is further understood and agreed that this waiver, release, and assumption of risk is to be binding on my heirs and assigns.

The above language was adapted from a case which cited release language with approval. However, note that the release might still be avoided by a plaintiff if the injury occurs in an unforeseeable way, not typical or common to the activity.



# **APPENDIX D:** Sample Checklists

These checklists are included in the manual as examples of how the user might wish to organize its contract and specifications review.

We would like to thank Joseph Risser for his self- designed checklist entitled "Project Name/Purchase."



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# **Contract Review Checklist**

# **HOLD HARMLESS / INDEMNIFICATION REVIEW**

1.	Contract Date/Parties:						
2.	Party(ies) Accepting Risk:						
3.	Type of Risk Accepted	☐ Negligence	Other				
4.	Breadth of Risk Accepted	□Own	□Joint		□Sole	;	
	Nature of Damage/Injury Accepted:	Direct	Consequent	io1			
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	Property Damage:	Our property	Other party			perty of third pe	
	Bodily injury/personal injury:	Our employees	Other party	's employee	s	d party employ	rees
	No answer means e	INSURAN ither it is not mentione	CE REVIEW ed in the contract		ecifically rejec	ted.	
				-	ed of you	Requi	red of Party
1.	Liability Insurance			YES	NO	YES	NO
1.	a. Is it required?						
	b. Limits of Liability			\$	\$	\$	\$
	c. Special coverages required						
	d. Occurrence vs. claims made coverag	ge					
	e. Named as additional insured						
	f. Cross liability						
	g. Contractual limits required		u c 1				
	<ul><li>h. Cancellation notice</li><li>i. Certificate or other evidence</li></ul>		# of days:				
	j. Other:					-	
2.	Workers' Compensation			YES	NO	YES	NO
	a. Is it required?						
	b. Contractor's employee / borrowed se	ervants					
	c. Waiver of subrogation						
	d. Federal acts						
	e. All states and employer's stop gap						
	f. Cancellation notice		# of days:				
	g. Certificate or other evidence						
	h. Other:						
3.	Property Insurance			YES	NO	YES	NO
	a. Is it required?						
	b. Valuation method required			☐ ACV	□RV	☐ ACV	□RV
	c. Additional named insured / additional	al insured					
	d. Waiver of subrogation		# of days:				
	e. Cancellation notice     f. Certificate or other evidence		π of days.	·		-	
	g. Other:						
	<u></u>						
4.	Automobile Liability Insurance			YES	NO	YES	NO
	a. Is it required?						
	b. Valuation method required						
	c. Additional named insured / additional	al insured					
	d. Waiver of subrogation						
	e. Cancellation notice		# of days:	·			
	f. Certificate or other evidence						
	g. Other:						



# **Risk Analysis Worksheet**

Activity Contemplated in Contract	General Liability	Automobile Liability	Workers' Comp.	Errors & Omissions	Builder's Risk	Aircraft Liability	Special Coverage
Advertising, publication	<b>√</b> (1)						
Aircraft; use, ownership or maintenance of			♦ (Statutory)			<b>√</b> (10)	
Animals; care use of, maintenance of	<b>√</b> (1)						<b>×</b> (?)
Caustics; use or handling of	<b>√</b> (3)	♦ (5)					<b>x</b> (3+)
Child care	<b>√</b> (5)	♦ (1)	♦ (Statutory)				<b>x</b> (5+)
Construction, remodeling	✓ (5)	<b>x</b> (5)	✓ (Statutory)	<b>x</b> (1+)	<b>≭</b> Value		
Crowd (more than 10 persons)	✓ (5+)	♦ (1)	♦ (Statutory)				
Docks/wharves; use, ownership or maintenance of	♦ (5)	♦ (1)					<b>√</b> (5)
Electricity; use of, electrical work, repair	<b>√</b> (3)	♦ (1)	♦ (Statutory)		♦Value		
Emission or discharge of potentially	<b>√</b> (5)	♦ (1)					<b>√</b> (5+)
Explosives; use of, storage, transportation or handling	<b>√</b> (10)	♦ (5)	♦ (Statutory)		♦Value		<b>x</b> (5)
Flammables, usage of	<b>√</b> (5)	♦ (1)					
Food; service, sales	✓ (3)	♦ (1)	✓ (Statutory)				
Medical services, skilled	♦(1)	♦ (1)		✓ (3+)			<b>×</b> (?)
Nuclear/radioactive material; use of	<b>√</b> (1)						<b>x</b> (5)
Plumbing/sewer; maintenance, construction, repair	<b>√</b> (3+)				♦Value		
Professional services, other than medical or design	♦(1)	♦ (1)		<b>√</b> (1+)			
Professional services; engineering, architectural	♦(1)	♦ (1)		<b>√</b> (1+)	♦Value		
Railroads; use, ownership or maint. of, operations near							✓ (RR sets)
Toxics; use or handling of	✓ (3)	♦ (5)	♦ (Statutory)				<b>x</b> (5+)
Trucking, transportation, solid waste hauling	♦ (1+)	<b>√</b> (5+)	♦ (Statutory)				
Tunneling; excavation	<b>√</b> (10)	♦ (1+)			♦Value		×
Watercraft; use, ownership, maintenance of	♦(1)		♦ (Statutory)				<b>√</b> (1+)
Weapons; use, ownership or maintenance of	✓ (5+)	♦(1)	♦ (Statutory)				♦ (?)
Welding, cutting with torch	<b>√</b> (5)	♦ (1)	♦ (Statutory)		♦Value		

Key: ✓ = Required

**x** = Probably required

 $\Rightarrow$  = May be required

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Identify the types of risks involved in the contract you are analyzing.

For each required category of insurance, use the activity with the highest risk number to determine limits to require.



# **APPENDIX E:** Resources

The following is an overview of references and resources on the subject of insurance requirements in contracts, as well as resources on public entity and general risk management practices.

**International Risk Management Institute, Inc. (IRMI), <u>www.irmi.com</u>.** Excellent resource for glossary of insurance terms, reference manual for additional insured issues, construction risk management, and a wide variety of insurance and risk management topics.

**Public Agency Risk Managers Association (PARMA), <u>www.parma.com</u>.** California association dedicated to public agency risk management education. Annual conference and regional chapters provide opportunities for learning and networking.

**Public Risk and Insurance Association (PRIMA), <u>www.primacentral.org.</u> National association dedicated to public agency risk management. Annual conference and other training opportunities, with many good resources on its website.** 

California Association of Joint Powers Authorities (CAJPA), <u>www.cajpa.org</u>. California association dedicated to public agency risk pool standards and education, with annual conference every September. Also tracks legislative issues of interest.

**Association of Governmental Risk Pools, AGRiP, <u>www.agrip.org</u>.** National association dedicated to public agency risk pooling standards and education. Holds conferences at various times throughout the year.

**Risk and Insurance Management Society, RIMS, <u>www.rims.org.</u>** National association of risk managers, good resource for continuing education, benchmarking data, and enterprise risk management.

**Insurance Education Association (IEA), <u>www.ieatraining.com</u>.** Excellent resource for a wide variety of training, especially workers' compensation certification, ARM, CPCU and other designation courses, and workshops on current topics.

American Institute Chartered Property Casualty Underwriters (CPCU) and Insurance Institute of America, <a href="www.aicpcu.org">www.aicpcu.org</a>. Resource for obtaining many professional designations in risk management and insurance, including the CPCU and ARM designations.

**Public Agency Safety Management Association**, <u>www.pasmaonline.org</u>. California association focused on occupational safety and workers' compensation issues.

**Ultimate Insurance Links, <u>www.ultimateinsurancelinks.com</u>.** Site maintained by G. Barry Klein. An exhaustive reference source for all things insurance. As the name implies, if you can't find it here it probably doesn't exist.