



ACCOUNTANTS PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY PROPOSAL FORM

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO THE PROPOSER TO COMPLETION OF THIS PROPOSAL FORM

1) Disclosure

- Any "material fact" must be disclosed to Insurers.
- A "material fact" is any information which may alter the judgement of an Insurer in assessing the risk.
- Any "material change" must be disclosed to Insurers.
- A "material change" is any information which may alter the judgement of an Insurer that has not previously been disclosed as a material fact.

Failure to provide all "material facts" and/or notify all "material changes" may cause the contract of insurance to be void and may result in Insurers repudiating liability entirely.

2) Presentation

- This Proposal Form must be completed in ink by an authorised individual, a partner, principal or director of the proposer.
- All questions must be answered.
- If there is insufficient space to provide answers additional information should be provided on the proposer's letter headed paper.
- Where available brochures, standard contract conditions, conditions, agreements and letters of appointment should be provided.

Failure to present Insurers with information in an appropriate manner may adversely influence the ability of Insurers to offer terms.

3) Guidance

- If in doubt as to the meaning of any question contained within this proposal form or the issues raised in 1) Disclosure and/or 2) Presentation advice should be sought from an insurance advisor in the first instance.

SECTION 1 – GENERAL DETAILS

1) Please provide the following details:

Name of proposer(s) to be covered	Date Established

2) Main address of the proposer and any overseas addresses (specifying the name and position of the Individual responsible at each location including web and e mail addresses):

E-mail address:

Web address:

3) Individual, partner, principal, director, consultants under a contract of service details:

Name	Age	Qualifications	Date (s) Qualified

Attach CV where the proposer has been established less than 5 years and/or where any individual has no relevant qualifications.

4) Number of employees split between the following:

Qualified Administrative Other (specify)

5) Is the proposer connected or associated (financially or otherwise) with any other entity? Yes/No

If yes please provide full details including nature of the work undertaken and income derived.

6) During the past 6 years has the proposer’s name been changed, has any other business been purchased and/or has any merger or consolidation taken place? Yes/No

If yes please provide details.

SECTION 2 – CLAIMS INFORMATION

- 1) After full enquiry has the proposer sustained any loss through the fraud or dishonesty of any person? Yes/No

If yes please provide details.

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- 2) After full enquiry is the proposer aware of any fraud, dishonesty, bankruptcy or administration order applicable to any past or present principal, partner, director or employee? Yes/No

If yes please provide details.

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- 3) After full enquiry has any claim been made against the proposer’s business or any principal, partner, director or employee whilst in this or any other business? Yes/No

If yes please provide details.

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- 4) After full enquiry is the proposer aware of any circumstance or incident which has or could result in any claim being made against the proposer’s business, or any principal, partner, director or employee of this or any other business? Yes/No

If yes please provide details.

SECTION 3 – THE BUSINESS:WORK UNDERTAKEN

- 1) Please provide the proposer’s fees/income in each of the financial periods derived from clients based in:

	Last Financial Year Ended --/--	Current Financial Year Ending --/--	Coming Financial Year Ending --/--
UK			
Elsewhere			
Total			

If fees/income are/is declared as derived from clients based in “Elsewhere” above, please provide details including territories involved and income derived.

2) Please allocate below, as a percentage to a total of 100%, the split in fees/income between activities for the last complete financial year:

	UK	Elsewhere	Total
Quoted Company Audit			
Unquoted Company Audit			
Other Audit			
Insolvency/Liquidation/Receivership			
Corporate Finance/Merger/Acquisition			
Investment Advice including Pensions			
Investment Advice excluding Pensions			
Company Tax			
Personal Tax			
Insurance/Building Society/Stock Exchange Commissions			
Management Consultancy			
Computer Consultancy			
Company Secretary/Share Registration			
Directorship Fees			
Executorship/Trusteeship			
Other (specify)			
			100%

If fees/income are/is declared in 'Investment advice' (including Pensions, Endowments, Mortgages, FSAVC's and/or Split Capital Investment Trusts/Zero Dividend Preference Shares) please complete the **Financial Services Supplementary Questionnaire**.

3) What is the proposer's largest fee earned from one client and the average fee per client in the last year?

Largest

Average

4) Please provide details of any work undertaken for any 'Offshore' Company, Insurance Company/Fund, Captive Insurance Company and/or Bank or Financial Institution.

5) Does the proposer have any clients in the Entertainment Industry?

Yes/No

If YES, please provide the client's name, the nature of the work performed and your annual fee.

6) Is the proposer aware of any change in activity/structure that will occur in the coming year?

Yes/No

If YES, please provide details.

7) What percentage of fees over the last three years have been paid to outside consultants?

7.1) If fees are paid to outside consultants, is cover required for the work undertaken by the outside consultant? Yes/No

7.2) If YES, please provide full details including nature of the work, projects undertaken and names of the consultants.

SECTION 4 – THE BUSINESS:RISK MANAGEMENT

1) Is the proposer admitted to any Association or accredited to any quality systems such as the ISO9000? Yes/No

If yes please provide details.

2) What is the proposer's procedure in operating a diary system?

3) How does the proposer ensure that taxation deadlines are not missed?

4) Does the proposer have written procedures or checklists for the service performed? Yes/No

If YES please provide details.

5) What records are kept by the proposer of telephone conversations and attendance at meetings?

6) Does the proposer subscribe to any form of Continuing Professional Development? Yes/No

If yes please provide details.

7) What are the proposer's procedures, such as letters of engagement, to ensure that a client's requirements are clearly identified and can be met?

8) How often does the proposer undertake a review of working procedures?

9) What are the proposer's procedures in reviewing the work undertaken by staff and partners?

10) Does the proposer always obtain satisfactory written references when engaging employees? Yes/No

If NO please provide details.

11) If any partner, principal, director or employee is allowed to sign cheques without a counter signature, please provide details of the individuals, the cheque limit and the circumstances.

13) Are employees who receive cash/cheques in the course of their duties required to pay in daily? Yes/No

If NO please provide details of the procedures implemented.

14) Does the proposer ensure that sub consultants are engaged in a binding contract accepting responsibility for their own neglect, error or omission and does the proposer ensure that all sub consultants carry Professional Indemnity Insurance? Yes/No

SECTION 5 – INSURANCE COVERAGE

1) Does the proposer currently have Professional Indemnity Insurance in force? Yes/No

If yes please provide the following details.

1.1) Insurer

1.2) Limit

1.3) Excess

1.4) Renewal date

1.5) Number of years cover has been continuously in force

2) What is the amount of indemnity now required?

3) Has any Proposal for similar insurance made on behalf of the proposer's business, any predecessor of the business, or any principal, partner or director ever been declined or has such insurance ever been cancelled, renewal refused or any special terms imposed (other than general market increases)? Yes/No

If yes please provide details.

4) Has any fee earner at the proposer's ever faced criminal investigations or disciplinary proceedings by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales or any other professional organisation? Yes/No

3) Have you ever been late in paying or failed to pay either a professional indemnity premium or excess? Yes/No

SECTION 6 – DECLARATION

I/We declare that the statements and particulars contained in the proposal are true and that I/we have not mis-stated or suppressed any material facts.

I/We agree that this proposal together with any other information supplied by me/us shall form the basis of any contract of insurance effected thereon.

I/We undertake to inform Insurers of any material alteration to these facts occurring before completion of the contract of insurance. However, the duty to disclose material facts continues after the completion of the proposal form and throughout any period of insurance (and any extension thereto), upon which this proposal form was used as the basis of the contract of insurance.

Signing this proposal does not bind the proposer to complete this insurance.

Signature of authorised individual/partner/principal/director

Date