

Insurance Law Life & Health



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Indiana State Law – Life and Health

<u>Section I – Structure of the Insurance Industry</u>

1.	Depar	ment of Ins	urance
	a.	re	egulated agency
	b.		branch of government
		i. Res	sponsible for the regulation, organization, supervision, examination,
		reh	abilitation, liquidation and/or conservation of all insurance companies,
		_	ncies or agents
			posed to protect the public
			branch enforces law, legislative branch creates law
2.		nce Commis	
			inistrative officer of the Department of Insurance
	b.		ernment Position:
			by the Governor of Indiana
			lds term at the of the Governor
			tes an oath of office
			0,000 bond required
	c.	Must be a	member of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners
			association consisting of all insurance commissioners throughout the
		nat	
	•		ps bring uniformity and standardization across the states
	d.		the Department include:
		i. Fin	
		ii. Pro	
			stitution
			vocation
			spension
	_		ase and desist
	e.		not include:
			sentences
			wever they can recommend your case to the state Attorney General,
	f.		o can impose a jail sentence
	1.		missioner Receives a Complaint: mmissioner must respond within business days
		1. Co.	1. Either require the insurer to investigate situation or call a meeting
			with an agent
			2. Inform the one who gave the complaint of the commissioner's
			course of action
		ii If+	the Insurer is contacted by the commissioner
		11. 11 t	1. Company has business days to investigate and respond to the
			commissioner
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		iii. If the agent is contacted by the commissioner
		1. Commissioner gives at least days notice of a meeting with an
		agent ;
		2. Agent may request an appeal within days of meeting, if the
		agent has been penalized
		3. The requested appeal will be granted within days of asking
3.	Admis	ssion of Insurance Companies
	a.	insurer – located and organized in Indiana – located and organized in another state or U.S. territory
	b.	- located and organized in another state or U.S. territory
	c.	
		Authorized/Admitted – approved to do business within the state
		Certificate of authority – proof of admittance
		Unauthorized/Nonadmitted – not approved
4.		nation of Admitted Companies
		May be examined as often as necessary
		Must be examined every years
		May accept examination from state of domesticity
		i. Other state commissioners examine their own domestic companies
		ii. Passes the information to the Indiana commissioner
		iii. Speeds up the examination process
5.	Indian	a Guarantee Association
	a.	Protects the public from the insurers inability to meet their contractual obligations
		due to financial impairment
	b.	Supervised by the
		Funded through assessments of no more than from each company
		\$100,000 cash value
		\$300,000 for all benefits
		All companies admitted to do business in Indiana is a part of the association
		Insurers, agencies, and agents may use the association as a sales tool
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Section	on II –	- Licensing Regulations
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6.	Licens	sing Laws
0.	a.	
		Licenses include:
		i. Resident Producer license
		ii. Nonresident Producer license
		iii. Temporary Producer license
		iv. Consultant
		v. Insurance Adjuster license
		vi. Surplus Lines Producer
		vii. Limited Lines license
	h	A person may not insurance unless first
	0.	properly licensed
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7.	Reside	nt Prod	ucer
	a. Resident producer qualifications:		
			Must be at least years of age
			Past reputation
		iii.	Prelicensing
		iv.	Pass written examination
		v.	Pay license fee
		vi.	Must be a resident of Indiana or primary place of business is Indiana
	b.	Exami	nation may be waived if:
		i.	Licensed in a previous state within the last days and in good standing
			CLU, CFP, or ChFC designation
			ess entities must also be licensed to conduct business with the public. Each
		license	ed entity must assign a licensed agent as its', this includes:
	d.		
		i.	Physical address
			1 for the agent
			2. Business for the agency
		ii.	
		iii.	Legal name change
	e.		
	f.	Contin	nuing education
		i.	hours every years 1 hours of flood, prior to selling flood insurance
			(Property/Casualty License)
			2 hours of ethics (Life/Health License)
			3. Hours of Long Term Care initially, hours thereafter
			(Health License)
			4 hours of Long Term Care Partnership (Health License)
		ii. 	
			License renews on the last day of your month
	~		All renewals are sent electronically
	g.		ating a lapsed license
			Reinstatement must be within months of expiration All CE requirements must have been met prior to the last renewal date
			Agent must pay the normal renewal fee
Q	Nonre		roducer
ο.			sident producer requirements
	a.		Must first have a resident license that is in good standing
			Fees and application must be submitted
			States must be to avoid re-testing
	h		rocal states accept each others pre-licensing and continuing education
	0.		lures. No need to do them again!
		procee	dies. 110 need to do them again:

9.	Tempo	rary Pro	ducer			
	a.	Allows	an individual to	but not	existing business	
b. Good			or days			
c. Issued for any good cause as determined by the Commissioner. Exa			ommissioner. Examples			
	include:					
		i.]	Military service			
		ii.	Death			
		iii.	Disability			
10.	Produc	er Appo	intment			
	a.	First an	individual must be	with th	e state	
	b.	First an individual must be with the state Then, they must be with an insurance company before they will be				
		allowed	to represent the insurer			
	c.	Insurer	must notify the Commission	oner within	_ days of terminating a	
		relation	ship with a producer			
11.	Contro	olled Bus	iness			
	a.	Writing	"" controll	ed business is a	violation of insurance law	
	b.	What is	controlled business? It is	business that the	e agent may have extra	
		influenc	ce of the existence of a	rela	tionship. It would include	
		business	s on:			
		i				
		ii.	Immediate			
		iii.	Immediate/			
	c.	·/·	111		Anyone can be	
	d.	What is	"to much?"			
		1.	aggregate	within a	month period	
e. Remember, it is not illegal to write, it is illegal to wright to much				wright to much		
12. Consultant (Licensed vs Acting)						
	a.	License		1 .	C	
			An practiti			
			Must have at least ye			
				(works for the client not the	
	1.		company)	. 1 C		
	D.		ant licenses are not require	ea for:		
		111.	.4	1		
	c.			ise and as a	a consultant. Acting like a	
			ant requires:	C:		
		1.	of all	iees and commi	SSIONS	
		11.	16 4h a ayyata wa an ha a ha ay a	ind agreement	a in farma a 1 mildle 41 -	
			If the customer has been n			
			arrangement and they are	good with it, the	n the state is good	

13. Insura				
a.	The ro	oll of the adjuster is to	and help	claims
b.	Adjus	ter Requirements:		
		At least years of age		
	ii.	Primary state of business mu	ust be home state	
	iii.	Must be trustworthy, reliable	e, and of good reputation	on
		Completed a 40 hour pre-lic	ensing education progr	ram
		Pass examination		
		Submit an application and p	•	
	_	endent/Staff Adjusters work for	<u> </u>	ny
		Adjusters work for the insure	ed	
14. Surplı	is Lines	Producer		
a.	A surp	olus lines producer sells	products for	
	insura	nce companies with products	that	in the state
	i.	olus lines producer sellsnce companies with products Prior to selling an agent mus	st make a	_ to find an approved
		product for the client first		
		Qualifying for the license fir		
		The fee is for a resider		
	iv.	Agents must pay a gross pre		
		all gross for	the last months b	usiness
15. Limite				
		cts which are limited to cover	a very	
b.		do not require a test to obtain		
		Title		
		Baggage		
		Rental		
		Travel		
		Self-storage		
		Crop-Hail (Requires P/C Lie	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	`
	V11.	Prearranged funeral insuran	ce (Requires L/H Licen	ise)
Section III	– Reg	ulations and Violations		
16 Produ	cer Lice	ensing Law and Violations		
		roducer is responsible to the p	public to act in a profess	sional manner
		e to act professionally may re		ondi mamiei
0.		Suspension up to		icense
	ii	Financial penalties	or revocation or n	icciisc
	11.	1. Comes after a hearing	g with the commission	er
		2. Civil, not criminal pe		
	iii	Between		
C	Mone	tary restitution		
		ounds wrong or unethical, it pr	robably is a violation o	f the law
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e.	General violations:
	i. Misleading
	ii. Violating law
	iii. Misrepresentation
	iv. Fraud
	v. Misappropriation
	vi. Felony
	vii. Unfair practices
	viii. Incompetence
	ix. Forging
f.	A few specific violations:
	i. Delinquency on child support
	1 past due
	2 behind
	3. Whichever comes first
	ii. Failure to pay state income tax
	iii. Failure to satisfy Continuing Education requirements
	iv. Failure to inform the commissioner of legal name/address change
	rade Practices and Unfair Competition
a.	Department of Insurance will regulate the trade practices in the business of
	nsurance
	Provides definitions and determines what acts are considered unfair or deceptive
	Such acts and practices are prohibited under this chapter of the law
	nformation
e.	The following are prohibited practices:
	i. Illustrations may not mislead the client or misrepresent
	ii. False Advertising – all advertisements must be kept on file for
	iii. Defamation iv. Unfair discrimination
	v. Monopolies
	vi. — offering something of value as an inducement to buy
	vii. Insurance as inducement – cannot use insurance as an inducement to the
	purchase of any property or service
	viii – the borrower has the right to choose where any
	required insurance is purchased from
f.	Sharing of commissions with an unlicensed person
1.	i. Must be to split commissions
	ii. Renewals may be paid if licensed at the time of the sale
g.	- replacement transaction done through misrepresentations
h.	Infair Claims Settlement Practices:
	i. Claims owed, must be paid:
	ii. Accurately and fully
	iii. Timely
	iv. In good faith
i.	f it sounds unreasonable or unethical, it is probably illegal
j.	Financial penalties may be up to for each violation
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ŀ	x. Cease and Desist Order may be given out
	if you knew or should have known better
	n. Any violation of Indiana Code is also in violation of criminal law:
	i. Class A misdemeanor
	ii. Up to in jail
	ii. Up to in jail iii. Additional fine
Section IV	V – Life Regulations, Chapter 2
18. Life	Required Policy Provisions
8	a. Required provisions (rules) are required by the state to protect the insured from
	the insurer. These must be in all policies
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C	c. Premiums - Premiums are paid in
	d. Grace period
	i days after the due date
	iiapplies
	iii. Premiums may be deducted if a claim occurs
ϵ	e. Entire contract – policy, application, and attachments
	. Incontestable period – years for the insurer to challenge the application
ç	g. Misstatement of age – will be adjusted. The insured will only get
	what they have weld for
ŀ	n. Statements on the application — (truth to the best of their
	knowledge) not warranties (guarantee of the truth)
i	. Reinstatement
	i. Must be within years of the lapse
	ii. Back premiums must be paid
	ii. Back premiums must be paid iii must be established
j	. Immediate payment of claims – Insurer is required to settle within months of
	proof of death
	nibited policy Provisions
8	a. Time limit on lawsuits – no sooner than days or later than years of the
	cause of action
t	b. Back dating – no more than months prior to the application date
C	e. Settlement
	i. Must pay full amount owed
	ii. When could they pay less than the full face amount?
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	2.
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	S & HIV
	n. Insurer may
	o. No questions concerning sexual orientation or to determine orientation
(c. Testing may be done:
	i must be obtained ii. Results must be
	11. Results must be

21	e.	Applicant may be rejected based upon results If accepted, AIDS must be covered the same as any other condition
21.	Interes	
		Interest on loans may be no more than% if fixed
	b.	If rates are adjustable, they must be based on
		Anytime the company has your money over days, interest must be paid
22.		erated Death Benefits
		Benefits paid from the benefit prior to death
	b.	Qualifying events
		 Medical condition that drastically limits life span or requires extraordinary medical intervention
		ii. Condition that requires confinement that is expected for a lifetime
		iii. Drastically limits lifespan
	C	Benefits will be paid without restriction
22		I Settlements
<i>23</i> .		The purchase of a life policy for less than the face amount, for the purpose of
	a.	return
	h	Negotiating settlements require life
	0.	Death benefits will be above the cost basis (purchase amount)
24	Advert	ising
<i>2</i> 4.		Buyers guide
	a.	i Prepared by the
		i. Prepared by theii. Includes information to assist in the purchasing decision
	h	Policy summary
	υ.	i Prepared by the
		i. Prepared by the of the product purchased
	C	Must be delivered prior to taking an application unless a 10 day free look applies,
	C.	then at delivery
	d	General provisions
	u.	i. Must fully inform the applicant of your and the
		ii. May not use terms to mislead who the agent is (financial planner,
		investment advisor, financial consultant etc.)
		iii. Dividends areiv. Guaranteed minimums must be shown
25.	Replac	
	a.	
		i. Cashed in
		ii. Converted
		iii. Borrowed over% of the cash value
	b.	Duties of the producer
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		i 1. About existing insurance
		2. About replacement

	ii.
	1. Important Notice Regarding Replacement
	2. Signatures (agent and applicant)
	1111. Copies to the customer
	2. Copies to the insurer
c.	Duties of the Insurer
	i. Notify original company within business days
	ii. Maintain copies for years
	iii. Provide a day free look
Section IV	- Health Regulations, Chapter 3
26. Health	n Provisions
a.	Entire contract; changes
	i. The and any attachments ()
	comprise the entire contract
	ii. Only an of the company can make a change in
	the contract
	iii. The agent does not have the authority to change or alter the contract
b.	Grace period
	i. Period of time the owner has to pay the premium after it comes due
	ii days
	iii during the grace period
c.	Free look
	i. Allows the insured to review the contract
	ii. Begins when the policy is delivered
•	iii days
d.	Incontestable Clause
	i. The amount of time the insurance company to challenge the information
	on the application
_	ii years
e.	Reinstatement – , & &
	i days to accept or reject reinstatement
	ii day waiting period for sickness
£	iii days to collect back premium
	Notice of claim - insured must notify the insurer of a claim within days
	Claim forms - insurer has days to supply a claim form to the insured
i.	Proof of loss - insured has days after the date of loss to submit proof of loss
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;	(days) Payment of claims specifies to payment is made
	Payment of claims - specifies to payment is made
K.	Physical exam and autopsy At the expense of the
	i. At the expense of theii. With of a judge
	n. wim or a judge

1.	Legal action	
	i. wait days to sue, but file within years after proof of loss	
m.	Change of beneficiary	
i. Owner has the to designate and change beneficiary design		
(unless irrevocable designation has been made)		
n.	Guaranteed renewable	
	i. Insurance company cannot cancel or non renew the insured	
	ii. May raise premiums on a class basis	
27. Miscel	laneous Health Issues	
a.	Mammogram coverage – must become available at age	
	AIDS & HIV	
	i. Insurer	
	 i. Insurer ii. No questions concerning sexual orientation or to determine orientation iii. Testing may be done; 	
	iii. Testing may be done:	
	1 must be obtained	
	2. Results must be confidential	
	iv. Applicant may be based upon results	
	v. If accepted, AIDS must be covered	
c.	Children	
	i. Newborns and adopted children	
	ii. Covered from or adoption	
	iii. No pre-existing conditions excluded under age 19	
	iv. Any payment due must be paid within days	
d.	May stay on parents plan up to age	
	Handicapped and dependent may stay beyond limiting age	
	i. With proof submitted within days	
	ii. With ongoing proof submitted at:	
	iii intervals within 2 years	
	iv after 2 years	
f.	Indiana Comprehensive Health Insurance Association	
	i. Nonprofit organization	
	ii. Provides health insurance to those that cannot normal obtain it	
	iii. Assigned risk pool	
	iv. Eligibility	
	1. Has been by one carrier for health insurance coverage	
	2. Has applied for and been rejected by	
	3. Must be a federally eligible individual	
g.	Small Groups Definition	
	i. Between and eligible employees	
	ii. Eligible employees – hours	
28. Medica	are Supplement Policies	
a.	Also known as Medigap policies	
	Sold by private insurance companies	
	Purpose is to fill in the gaps left by Medicare	
d.	Pre-existing conditions – treated in the last months and must be covered	
	within months	

e.	Must be guaranteed renewable
f.	Plan A is the "benefits"
g.	6 month at age 65 or when signing up for Part B
h.	6 month at age 65 or when signing up for Part B Free look is days
i.	Compensation no more than % of renewal
	Policy summary
J	i. Written by the
	iiof the purchased plan
k.	Buyers guide
	i. Written by the
	i. Written by theiishopping information
1.	
	i. Ask if/when this will replace existing insurance
	ii. Fill out/sign the Important Notice Regarding Replacement Form
	iii. Leave a copy with the customer/turn one in to the insurance company
m.	Rule 16 - Advertising rules
	i. Advertising must be:
	1.
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	3.
n.	Rule 17 – Marketing rules
	i. Specifically the following must be avoided:
	1. Twisting
	2. High pressure tactics
	3. Cold lead advertising
29. Long 7	Term Care Insurance
a.	Must be guaranteed renewable (page)
b.	day free look (page)
c.	guard must be offered
d.	Minimum benefit period of months
e.	Pre-existing periods may be no longer than months
f.	must be established
g.	Compensation no more than % of renewal
	Outline of coverage
	i written
	ii information
i.	Shoppers guide
	i written
	ii information
j.	Replacement rules apply
k.	Long Term Care Partnership
	i. Partnership between and
	ii. Protects against Medicaid by assets
	iii. Two types:
	1. Dollar for dollar
	2. Total asset disregard