

# **Professional indemnity**

Proposal form (Architects and/or Engineers)



## The information you provide in this proposal form

This is a proposal for a contract of insurance between you and us and you have a duty to make a fair presentation of the risk to us in accordance with the law.

If you do not meet your duty to make a fair presentation of the risk to us then we may at our option take one or more of the following actions

- 1 Cancel your policy
- 2 Declare your policy void (treating your policy as if it had never existed)
- 3 Change the terms of your policy
- 4 Refuse to deal with all or part of any claim or reduce the amount of any claim payments

Please provide a full answer to every question. Please ensure that all answers are typewritten or printed in block letters within the spaces provided. If you run out of space, please attach additional sheets labelled with the relevant question number. A principal of the practice must sign and date this form and any separate sheets.



1 Your details	
1.1 Business name	
Any additional businesses or trading styles for which you require cover	
Main office address	Postcode
Telephone number	rostcode
Contact email address	
Website	
State number of branch offices	Please list on a separate sheet all branch offices including addresses for which you are seeking cover
Date business established	
1.2 Is cover required for any other business or individual? This may include a predecessor in business or liability of one of your partners or principals relating to work undertaken elsewhere.	Yes No  If 'Yes', please provide details:
1.3 State business/profession to be insured	



### 2 The business

## 2.1 Please list below details of the partners/directors/members/proprietors of the business

Name	Date of birth	Qualifications	How long as partner/director/ member of the firm(s)



3 Staff	
3.1 Please advise total number of staff excluding partners, directors, members, proprietors:	
3.2 Please advise number of staff who hold relevant qualifications or who have five or more years experience in the business undertaken	
3.3 All others	
Sole practitioners only	
3.4 What arrangements do you make when you are unable to attend your business? e.g. holidays, sickness, etc	
3.5 If the business or any partner/ director/member/principal is a member of any professional institution, association or similar, please provide details	



4 Subcontractors		
4.1 Do you engage or intend engaging in the future any external sub-consultants/sub-contractors?	Yes	No
4.2 If Yes to 4.1		
4.2.1 What vetting procedures do you use when selecting sub-consultants/ sub-contractors?		
4.2.2 What controls do you have in place to monitor/check the quality and accuracy of work performed by sub-consultants/sub-contractors?		
4.2.3 What percentage of your annual fee income/turnover is paid to sub-consultants/sub-contractors?		
4.2.4 Do you ensure all sub-consultants/sub-contractors effect and maintain their own professional indemnity insurance?	Yes	No
4.2.5 If Yes to 4.2.4, what minimum limit of indemnity do you require sub-consultants/sub-contractors to effect and maintain?		
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5 Associated companies		
5.1 Does the company/firm or any partner/director/member act on behalf of or undertake work for any other firm, company or organisation in which the company/firm or any partner/director/member has a financial interest?	Yes	No
5.2 Does any other firm, company or organisation have a financial interest in the company/firm?	Yes	No

5 Associated companies continued	
5.3 Is cover required under this insurance for this work?	Yes No  If 'Yes' to 5.1, 5.2, or 5.3 give details of work carried out for and fees earned from the company/firm or organisation.
5.4 Do you operate under any formal terms of engagement with the company/firm/organisation in 5.1 or 5.2 above?	Yes No
5.5 If you do not use any formal terms of engagement, please provide details of the arrangements you operate under.	
6 The business/work undertaken	
6.1 Please provide full details of activities undertaken by your business and of any intended changes to these. (If you have a brochure detailing operations, please provide a copy)	



### 7 Past and current contracts

7.1 Please provide details of the five largest contracts (in terms of total project value) undertaken in the last five years

Project 1	
Start date and completion date	
Name of client	
Name and location of project	
Total contract value	
Your fee	
Description of your activities	
Project 2	
Start date and completion date	
Name of client	
Name and location of project	
Total contract value	
Your fee	
Description of your activities	
Project 3	
Start date and completion date	
Name of client	
Name and location of project	
Total contract value	
Your fee	
Description of your activities	

7 Past and current contracts con	ntinued
Project 4	
Start date and completion date	
Name of client	
Name and location of project	
Total contract value	
Your fee	
Description of your activities	
Project 5	
Start date and completion date	
Name of client	
Name and location of project	
Total contract value	
Your fee	
Description of your activities	



### 8 Future contracts

8.1 Please provide details of the three largest contracts (in terms of total project value) expected to commence in the next 12 months

Project 1	
Start date and completion date	
Name of client	
Name and location of project	
Total contract value	
Your fee	
Description of your activities	
Project 2	
Start date and completion date	
Name of client	
Name and location of project	
Total contract value	
Your fee	
Description of your activities	
Project 3	
Start date and completion date	
Name of client	
Name and location of project	
Total contract value	
Your fee	
Description of your activities	



9 Financial information				
9.1 Your Financial Year End Date:	DD / MM / YYYY			
9.2 Please state your total income for ea	ach of the follo	wing financial years:		
	UK	EU (non-UK)	US or Canada	Rest of world
Current year estimated				
Last complete year				
Previous year				
Previous year				
Previous year				
Previous year				
9.3 If any income is derived from work carried out in connection with any non-UK contract or non-UK customer, please provide full details:				



### 10 Activities

# 10.1 Please state the percentage of your total fee income derived from each of the following categories in the last complete financial year:

Housing (single dwelling)	%	
Housing (multiple dwellings, less than 100 units)	%	
Housing (multiple dwellings, more than 100 units)	%	
Factories/industrial	%	
Office/retail	%	
Pubs/restaurants/hotels	%	
Leisure	%	
Schools/colleges/education	%	
Hospitals/healthcare	%	
Municipal	%	
Churches/cathedrals	%	
Transport/infrastructure	%	
Power generation/distribution	%	
Other	%	
Total	100%	
10.1.1 If you have declared income in 'Other', please provide details		

#### 10 Activities continued

### 10.2 Have you ever performed any work in connection with any of the following:

			Percentage of total fee income derived from this activity in the last 12 months
High rise (more than four floors)	Yes	No	%
Arenas, stadia or other sport related	Yes	No	%
Amusement rides	Yes	No	%
Swimming pools	Yes	No	%
Children's play areas	Yes	No	%
Nuclear or atomic	Yes	No	%
Power plant or power generation	Yes	No	%
Green energy (solar, wind, biomass, etc.)	Yes	No	%
Petrochemical or refineries	Yes	No	%
Offshore	Yes	No	%
Manufacturing plant	Yes	No	%
Mechanical plant or bulk handling equipment	Yes	No	%
Lifting equipment	Yes	No	%
Sewerage and/or water schemes	Yes	No	%
Railways	Yes	No	%
Roads, bridges, tunnels or dams	Yes	No	%
Harbours, jetties or other marine	Yes	No	%
Airports or aviation related	Yes	No	%
Automotive	Yes	No	%
Military	Yes	No	%
Mines and associated works	Yes	No	%
Landfill, ground works or demolition	Yes	No	%
Clean rooms	Yes	No	%
Basement extensions	Yes	No	%
Car parks	Yes	No	%
Cavity wall insulation (not new build)	Yes	No	%

10 Activities continued		
10.3 Have you ever been involved in any way with buildings or contracts for new build or refurbishment where some form of built up system of insulating material and/or composite cladding has been used?	Yes	No
10.4 Have you been involved in any way with non-mineral filled cladding systems on buildings over 18 metres in height?	Yes	No
10.5 If you have answered Yes to 10.3 or 10.4 please provide full details of all such buildings/contracts		



### 11 Breakdown of fee income

## 11.1 Please state fees paid to you during the last financial year split into the following disciplines:

Aborted work	%
Architecture – new build or structural refurbishment	%
Architecture – non-structural	%
Interior design – structural	%
Interior design – non-structural	%
Landscape/garden architecture	%
Town planning	%
Building surveys – structural	%
Building surveys – non-structural	%
Land surveys	%
Quantity surveying	%
Valuations	%
Project co-ordination	%
Project management	%
Planning supervisor/CDM/Principal Designer role	%
Civil engineering	%
Structural engineering	%
Electrical engineering	%
Mechanical engineering	%
Heating/ventilation/air conditioning engineering	%
Soil and/or foundations engineering	%
Setting out	%
Expert witness work	%
Feasibility studies	%
Other	%

11 Activities continued	
11.2 If you have stated any income in 'Other' in 11.1, please provide details	
11.3 Is the above split typical of the figures for the last five years?	Yes No  If 'No', please give details
11.4 Where you have stated Nil to any category in 11.1, have you performed that activity in the past 10 years?	Yes No
11.5 If Yes, please provide details	
12 Consortiums / joint ventures	
12.1 Have you ever undertaken a	Yes No
contract as a member of a Consortium or joint venture?	
	If 'Yes', please give details



13 Current projects	
13.1 Are all current projects on time and within budget and have all projects completed within the last two years been completed on time and within the agreed budget?	If 'No', please give details
14 PEL/PPP ::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	
14 PFI / PPP projects 14.1 Have you ever undertaken a	
contract which forms part of a PFI or PPP project?	If 'Yes', please provide details
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15.1 Do you ever accept liability for professionals appointed by others by way of novation or other legal agreement?	Yes No  If 'Yes', please provide details



16 Techniques and practices	
16.1 Do all your contracts involve well established techniques and-practices?	Yes No  If 'No', please give details
17 Claims and circumstances	
17.1 Has the company/firm suffered any loss or identified any potential loss through fraud or dishonesty of any employee, director, members or principal?	Yes No  If 'Yes', give full details including amounts involved.
17.2 Have any claims in respect of liabilities to be covered by the proposed insurance (successful or otherwise) ever been made against the company/firm or its present and/or past partners, directors, members?	If 'Yes', give full details including date of claim, nature of claim and amounts paid (including any excess paid by you and all amounts paid by insurers to investigate, defend and settle each claim)
17.3 Have all claims been notified to Insurers?	Yes No
17.4 Are any of the partners, directors or members or employees after enquiry, aware of any circumstances, allegations or incidents which may give rise to a claim against the firm(s) or its predecessors in business, or any of its present or former partners, directors or members?	Yes No  If 'Yes', please provide details.



18 Previous Professional indemnity insurance					
18.1 Has any proposal for Professional indemnity insurance ever been declined by an insurer to whom you have applied?	Yes No  If 'Yes', please provide details				
18.2 Do you currently have Professional indemnity insurance?	Yes	No			
If 'Yes', please provide details (you do not need to answer if you are already insured by AXA)					
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19 Quotation requirements					
19.1 Please advise your requirements					
Limit of indemnity £			Excess £		



## 20.1 Fair presentation of risk In order to comply with your duty of fair presentation of the risk you must provide us with any information that may influence us in the acceptance of this risk and the terms provided. If you are not sure if something is important or relevant you should tell us about it. Relevant information is something that could affect the terms of your policy or our decision to renew your policy. Before signing the declaration, AXA Insurance UK plc is part of the AXA Group of companies which takes please read the following Data your privacy very seriously. For details of how we use the personal **Protection Notice** information we collect from you and your rights please view our privacy policy at www.axa.co.uk/privacy-policy. If you do not have access to the internet please contact us and we will send you a printed copy. Please read this declaration • I/We confirm that the particulars given in this proposal form are a fair carefully and then sign below presentation of the risk that we wish to insure • I/We confirm that a reasonable search of information available to me/us has been undertaken and that the particulars given in this proposal form represent all relevant information known to me/us or that I/we ought to be aware of • I/We understand that if a fair presentation of risk has not been given then this insurance may not fully protect me/us in the event of a claim • I/We will tell you of any change to the details given before the start date of the contract, if any variation is required during the period of insurance and prior to each renewal. Signature of partner, director or member: X Date: **Print name:** Position: Please note: until we have confirmed that we have accepted this proposal, you are NOT insured under this policy.



Additional notes	

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