## REQUIREMENTS FOR REGISTRATION AS A

## LOSS ADJUSTER - (Employed Practioners)

UNDER THE INSURANCE ACT 2001

The following are some of the conditions, which must be fulfilled before an application for registration as an **individual adjuster employed to a loss adjusting firm** under the Insurance Act 2001 can be considered:

- 1. The applicant must apply to the Financial Services Commission (FSC) under the Insurance Act 2001 in two stages:
  - a) Firstly, submit educational and experience qualifications for assessment, and

## b) Secondly, apply for registration within sixty (60) days after receipt of notification that the requirements of (a) above have been satisfied

**NOTE:** In respect of (a) above the submission should include:

- Information at item 9 below
- Copies of certificates certified by one of the following:
  - Justice of the Peace,
  - Minister of Religion,
  - Notary Public,
  - Attorney-at-law,
  - Inspector of Police or any rank above,
  - Registration Officers at the FSC

**NB**. The person who certifies the documents above should (in addition to affixing his/her signature) stamp or state legibly his or her name, official capacity and business address or parish of commission.

- Two references, their names, addresses and work & home telephone numbers.
- 2. An application must be submitted in the required form, a copy of which may be obtained from the Registrar at the Financial Services Commission or on the FSC's website, <u>www.fscjamaica.org</u>.

- 3. Where the applicant has operated as a loss adjustor in a jurisdiction outside of Jamaica, or in Jamaica, prior to this application, his/her applications should be accompanied by a letter from the loss adjusting company (ies) by which he/she was employed previously, indicating that they are satisfied with the competence and method of conduct of business of the applicant and the ethical standards maintained by the applicant in the performance of his/her work as a loss adjustor.
- 4. The applicant must have **experience** and **professional qualifications** as follows:
  - ACILAI (Associate of the Chartered Insurance Loss Adjusters Institute, (London)) or equivalent, or
  - A certificate in loss adjusting from local educational institutions whose curricula have been approved by the FSC, or
  - A minimum of ten years experience plus certification of competence by the Loss Adjusters Association of Jamaica in association with the local educational institutions whose curricula have been approved by the FSC.

Persons who now conduct the business of loss adjusting but do not have the requisite professional certification may be allowed registration subject to their attaining the required certification within a maximum period of three years.

- 5. The applicant must:
  - Apply for an identification card
  - Submit two passport-sized photographs certified by one of the following:
  - Justice of the Peace,
  - Minister of Religion,
  - Notary Public,
  - Attorney-at-law,
  - Inspector of Police or any rank above.

**NB**. The person who certifies the photographs should state legibly his/her name, official capacity and business address or parish of commission.

6. The applicant must satisfy the **fit and proper criteria**, the initial stage of which is the completion of the fit and proper questionnaire. He/she should submit also:

- A police clearance report or a receipt from the Ministry of National Security and Justice in the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for police clearance report
- **Character references** which are accepted from any person except relatives and co-workers
- **Marriage certificate or other relevant document (**where the applicant previously operated as a loss adjustor under a different name)
- Academic certificates (should be certified by Principal Officer or Company Secretary)
- 7. The **fees** for the application for **registration** as an adjuster are set out below for the various classes of business. They are to be made payable to the Financial Services Commission and paid at its offices (see address below) and a copy of the receipt submitted with the application.

CLASSES OF	FEES
BUSINESS	\$
Accident	800
Liability	800
Marine Aviation &	800
Transport	
Motor Vehicle	800
Pecuniary Loss	800
Property	800

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8. The applicant will also be required to pay (for **renewal** purposes) an **annual** fee, not later than the fourteenth (14th) day of January in each year. Such fees, which are set out below, are to be made payable to the Financial Services Commission and are to be paid at its offices (see address below).

RENEWAL	
CLASSES OF	FEES
BUSINESS	\$
Accident	400
Liability	400
Marine Aviation &	400
Transport	
Motor Vehicle	400
Pecuniary Loss	400
Property	400

- 9 It is expected that applicants will apprise themselves of all the other requirements of operation by reading the relevant laws and ensuring that they will be able to meet the required standards before applying.
- 10. Copies of the Insurance Act 2001 and Insurance Regulations 2001 can be obtained at:

Jamaica Printing Services Limited 77 ½ Duke Street Kingston Telephone No. 967-2250-3 Fax No. 967-2225

11. Further queries can be directed to:

The Registrar Financial Services Commission 39-43 Barbados Avenue Kingston 5 Telephone Nos. 906-3010-12 or Fax No. 906-3018 906-7264-66 906-2261 906-4406 754-9581

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