London Market insurance essentials 2025



Learning Outcome Assessment Criteria Indicative Content

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1	Understand basic	1.1	Explain the principle of good faith	1.1.1	The principle of good faith in pre-contract negotiations.
6	terminology used within		and fair presentation.	1.1.2	The differences in legal position between a consumer and a non-
questions	the general insurance				consumer.
	market.			1.1.3	Define what circumstances are material.
				1.1.4	Remedies for a breach of fair presentation.
		1.2	Explain the meaning and application	1.2.1	Define the meaning of the proximate cause of a loss.
			of proximate cause.	1.2.2	Applying the proximate cause to determine if a loss is covered by the
					insurance.
		1.3	Describe the principle of indemnity	1.3.1	The principle of indemnity.
			and how it is modified.	1.3.2	Types of insurance policy that provide indemnity and types of policy
					that do not.
				1.3.3	Methods used by insurers to provide indemnity to policyholders.
				1.3.4	How indemnity is measured.
				1.3.5	How the principle of indemnity can be modified.
				1.3.6	Limiting factors to indemnity.
		1.4 Explain the concept of contribution and how it is applied.	1.4.1	Double or dual insurance and how contribution arises.	
			and how it is applied.	1.4.2	Common methods of calculating contribution used by insurers.
				1.4.3	How the principle of contribution can be modified.
		1.5	Explain what is meant by	1.5.1	The concept of subrogation.
			subrogation.	1.5.2	How subrogation rights arise.
				1.5.3	Circumstances where subrogation rights will not apply.
2	Understand the	2.1	Describe the concept of risk.	2.1.1	Different uses of the term risk.
10	fundamental principles of			2.1.2	Risk perception and attitude to risk.
questions	insurance.			2.1.3	Risk transfer.
				2.1.4	Risk management - identification, analysis and control.
				2.1.5	Frequency and severity of risk.
		2.2	Explain the categories of risk.	2.2.1	Financial and non-financial risks.
				2.2.2	Pure and speculative risks.
				2.2.3	Particular and fundamental risks.



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		2.3	Explain the principle of the pooling	2.3.1	The concept of pooling of risk.
			of risks.	2.3.2	Law of large numbers.
				2.3.3	Equitable insurance premiums.
		2.4	Explain the difference between a	2.4.1	Peril.
			peril and a hazard as this relates to insurance.	2.4.2	Hazard.
		2.5	Explain what moral and physical	2.5.1	Physical hazard with examples.
			hazard is and identify good and poor examples of each.	2.5.2	Moral hazard with examples.
		2.6	List the types of insurable and	2.6.1	Risks that can be insured.
			uninsurable risks.	2.6.2	Risks that cannot be insured.
				2.6.3	Exceptions to uninsurable risks.
		2.7	Explain the basic purpose of insurance.	2.7.1	Insurance as a risk transfer mechanism.
		2.8	Explain the primary and secondary	2.8.1	Primary function of insurance.
			functions of insurance.	2.8.2	Secondary function of insurance.
				2.8.3	Reasons for compulsory insurance.
		2.9	Explain the importance of the claims handling process.	2.9.1	Claims handling as an insurance service.
3	Understand the main	3.1	Describe the main classes of	3.1.1	Marine insurance.
4	classes of insurance		insurance written in the London	3.1.2	Non-marine insurance.
questions	written in the London Market.		Market and their main features.	3.1.3	Aviation insurance.
4	Understand the insurance	4.1	Outline and explain the insurance	4.1.1	Understand supply and demand and its influence on the insurance
	cycle.		cycle.		cycle.
1 question				4.1.2	External factors that may influence the insurance cycle.



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5	Understand reinsurance	5.1	Explain the purpose of	5.1.1	Reinsurance and its purpose defined.
3	within the insurance		reinsurance.	5.1.2	The benefits of purchasing and selling reinsurance.
questions	market.			5.1.3	The buyers and sellers of reinsurance.
		5.2	Describe the main terminology	5.2.1	Basic reinsurance terminology for example facultative, treaty, non
			used in connection with		proportional and proportional.
			reinsurance transactions and		
			know their meaning.		
6	Understand the structure	6.1	Describe the main participants in	6.1.1	Lloyd's market including syndicates, managing agents, members and
	of the London Market.		the London Market and the		members' agents.
5			implications of their	6.1.2	Company market.
questions			participation.	6.1.3	Brokers - wholesale and retail.
				6.1.4	Managing general agents.
				6.1.5	International organisations operating in London Market.
				6.1.6	Mutual insurers.
		6.2	Explain the importance of the	6.2.1	Main incentives for choosing the London Market.
			London Market and why clients		
			may decide to place their		
			business within this market.		
		6.3	Explain the role of the London	6.3.1	Lloyd's Market Association.
			Market associations.	6.3.2	The International Underwriting Association of London.
				6.3.3	The Association of British Insurers.
				6.3.4	The British Insurance Brokers' Association.
				6.3.5	The London Market Regional Committee.
				6.3.6	The London and International Insurance Brokers' Association.
				6.3.7	Managing General Agents' Association.
		6.4	Explain the way that business is	6.4.1	Placing a risk in the London Market.
			transacted in the London	6.4.2	Presenting a claim, including the impact of the Enterprise Act 2016.
			Market.	6.4.3	The subscription market.



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7	Understand the London	7.1 Describe the role, aims, approach to 7.1.1 The role		The role and operation of the Financial Conduct Authority.	
10	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				The role and operation of the Prudential Regulation Authority.
questions	legal environment.		of the industry regulator.	7.1.3	Principles for Business.
				7.1.4	Consumer Duty.
				7.1.5	Senior Managers & Certification Regime.
				7.1.6	Public Interest Disclosure Act 1998.
		7.2	Describe the role of major	7.2.1	Mechanisms which allow insurers in London Market to write risks
			international regulators, including		overseas.
			licensing.	7.2.2	Writing Lloyd's business overseas.
				7.2.3	Satisfying overseas regulators.
		7.3	Explain the governance of the Lloyd's	7.3.1	Lloyd's governance structure.
			Market.	7.3.2	The role of the Council of Lloyd's.
				7.3.3	Rules for operating within Lloyd's.
		7.4	Examine and explain the role of the	7.4.1	The role of the Financial Ombudsman Service.
			Financial Ombudsman Service and the	7.4.2	The role of the Financial Services Compensation Scheme.
			Financial Services Compensation	7.4.2	The fole of the financial services compensation scheme.
			Scheme.		
		7.5	Explain the basic powers of the	7.5.1	Authorisation of new insurers.
			industry regulator for the	7.5.2	Ongoing monitoring and supervision.
			authorisation, supervision and	7.5.3	Consequences of non-compliance with the regulations including
			regulation of insurers.		winding up.
		7.6	Explain the basic powers of the	7.6.1	Requirement for Authorised Persons and firms.
			industry regulator for the	7.6.2	Appointed Representatives status.
			authorisation, supervision and	7.6.3	Lloyd's insurance brokers status.
			regulation of insurance	7.6.4	Regulation of intermediaries by the regulator.
			intermediaries.	7.6.5	Consequences for non-compliance.
		7.7	Describe the essentials of a valid	7.7.1	Offer, acceptance and exchange of consideration.
			contract of insurance.	7.7.2	Insurable interest.
				7.7.2	Cancellation of insurance contracts.
				7.7.4	Contract of insurance and the parties involved.



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8	Understand the	8.1	Explain the purpose of sanctions.	8.1.1	Purpose of sanctions and sanctioned countries and entities.
2	importance of appropriate			8.1.2	Issues with sanctions.
questions	systems and controls.			8.1.3	Export controls.
		8.2	Examine and describe the basic	8.2.1	Obtaining information of EU, US and UK legislation.
			systems and controls to ensure	8.2.2	Demonstration of compliance with local legislation.
			adherence to EU, US and UK	8.2.3	Bribery Act 2010.
			legislation.	8.2.4	Solvency II.
9	Understand data	9.1	Explain the principles, rights and	9.1.1	Data protection legislation.
	protection and money		restrictions of data protection		
	laundering legislation and		legislation and its impact on		
	requirements.		transacting business.		
2		9.2	Explain the various requirements to	9.2.1	The impact of anti-money laundering regulation when transacting
questions			ensure money laundering compliance		business in the London Market.
			when dealing with clients.		
10	Understand the broker's	10.1	Explain the role and responsibilities of	10.1.1	Principal and agent relationship.
4	role in the way that		brokers.	10.1.2	Methods of creating an agent/principal relationship.
questions	business is conducted in			10.1.3	Duties of the agent.
	the London Market.			10.1.4	Duties of the principal.
				10.1.5	Termination of agency.
		10.2	Explain the business process of	10.2.1	Services provided by broker to client.
			broking and the parties involved.	10.2.2	Services provided by broker to insurer.
				10.2.3	Schemes and delegated authorities.
				10.2.4	Placing the risk with insurers.
				10.2.5	Providing documentation to client.
				10.2.6	Managing changes to risk.
				10.2.7	Contract certainty.
		10.3	Explain the broker's role in the	10.3.1	Central recording of the risk and payment of the premium.
			handling of premiums.		
		10.4	Explain the broker's role in claims	10.4.1	First notification of loss.
			notification, investigation and	10.4.2	Negotiating claims settlement.
			settlement.	10.4.3	Providing claims data.
				10.4.4	Arranging claims payment with insurers.



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11	Understand the	11.1	Explain the role and responsibilities of	11.1.1	Main underwriting functions.	
	underwriter's role in the		underwriters.			
3	way that business is	11.2	Explain the role and responsibilities of	11.2.1	Role of lead underwriter.	
questions	questions conducted in the London Market.		the lead and following underwriters within the London Market.	11.2.2	Role of follow underwriter.	
				11.2.3	Managing changes to risk and the G	General Underwriters'
					Agreement.	