

# Professional Indemnity



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## Proposal Form (Republic of Ireland) Publishers

You must complete the General Information section, the Claims section and read and sign the Declaration.

**GENERAL  
INFORMATION**

**You must complete this section.**

**Company name:**

**Main address:**

  


Postcode

Please provide similar details for any other companies or businesses (including associated or subsidiary companies) requiring cover under this insurance, below.

**Additional insured name and address:**

  


Postcode

**NOTE:** Please note that you should answer all subsequent questions on this application form in relation to all parties to be insured under this policy

**Additional liabilities:**

Is cover required for anything other than work undertaken by the firm(s) identified on the Professional Insurance Portfolio proposal form? 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:

**Year business established:**

**Total income:**

	Last completed financial year	Current year	Estimate next year
Republic of Ireland and UK law contracts	€	€	€
EU law contracts	€	€	€
US law contracts	€	€	€
Other law contracts	€	€	€

**Number of employees:**

Last year	Current year	Estimate next year

**Your experience:**

Please confirm that one or more of the Principals has at least 5 years experience in the relevant industry:

YES  NO

If NO, please provide CV's for all Principals

**PROFESSIONAL  
INDEMNITY FOR  
PUBLISHERS**

**OPTIONAL - Only complete this module if this insurance cover is required.**

**This insurance is not suitable if you publish any of the following:**

Financial magazines, (auto-) biographies, publications offering prizes/competitions, consumer/comparative magazines, publications offering health/medical advice, daily newspapers.

Please provide a split in your last year's turnover between the following descriptions of publication nature: If this proposal form is being completed on behalf of a new business, please split your estimated fee income for the forthcoming year.

a. Puzzle books	€
b. Cookery books	€
c. Specialist magazines	€
d. Local tour guide	€
e. Fiction	€
f. Advertising magazines (e.g. Autotrader)	€
g. Academic/scientific magazines	€
h. Music books/magazines:	
i) music and history only	€
ii) current/clubs/personalities	€
i. Trade journals	€
j. Lifestyle magazines	€
k. Local weekly newspapers	€
l. Sensationalist magazines	€
m. Publications of music	€
n. Other activity/publication type - please give full details	€

**Your business activity**

Please complete the table below for all your publications: **(please provide us with copies of all publications)**

Name of publication	What format is it published in? (e.g. magazine, CD ROM, Internet site)	Approx. annual circulation	Countries where circulated

Approximately what percentage of your turnover comes from advertising revenue?

%

**PROFESSIONAL  
INDEMNITY FOR  
PUBLISHERS**

**Contract publishing**

What percentage of your turnover comes from contract publishing?  %

Which of the publications you contract publish do you have no editorial input to?

**Checking procedures**

In any of your publications contain literature, music, film, video, photography or other images, do you have procedures in place to ensure that you acquire the appropriate rights prior to publication? YES  NO

Any potentially contentious statement published may lead to a defamation or libel claim against you, even if you regard it as unjustifiable.

Do you refer any potentially contentious material to lawyers for libel checking prior to publication? YES  NO

If NO, please provide full details of how you ensure that no potentially defamatory or libellous statements are published:

Have you ever bought Professional Indemnity Insurance in the past? YES  NO

If YES, please provide details:

Name of insurer	Limit of indemnity	Excess	Premium	Renewal date	No. of years continuously held

Please tick the limit of Indemnity now required:

€325,000  €650,000  €1,300,000  €2,600,000

Other:  €

**CLAIMS**

**You must complete this section.**

**Please complete the claims questions for any risk now to be insured under the following insurance covers.**

In relation to your professional business activities, are you after reasonable enquiry aware of:  
Any shortcoming in your work which may lead to a claim against you.  
This includes:

- A shortcoming known to you which you cannot reasonably put right. YES  NO
- A complaint about your work or anything you have supplied which cannot be immediately resolved.
- An escalating level of complaint on a particular project. YES  NO

A client withholding payment due to you after any complaint. YES  NO

Any loss from the dishonesty or malice of any employee or self-employed freelancer. YES  NO

Any loss from the suspected dishonesty or malice of any employee or self-employed freelancer. YES  NO

Any matter which may give rise to a claim against your predecessors in business or any past partner, principal, director or employee. YES  NO

If you answered YES to any of the above, please provide full details:

Have you or any of your partners or directors at any time either personally or in any business capacity:

1. been declared bankrupt or become insolvent or made any voluntary arrangement with creditors or been subject to enforcement of a judgment debt? YES  NO

2. been a partner, a director or had a controlling interest in any company, firm or business entity which has entered into a voluntary arrangement with creditors or been subject to any application for liquidation, administration, receivership or to enforcement of a judgement debt? YES  NO

If the answer to 1. and/or 2. above is YES, please give full details on a separate sheet.

Has any claim, whether successful or not been made against you or your predecessors in business or any past or present partner, principal, director or employee (whether previously insured or not)? YES  NO

Have you ever had any insurance or proposal cancelled, withdrawn, declined or made subject to special terms? YES  NO

If YES, please provide details:

Date	Details



## DECLARATION

**You must complete this section.**

**Please read the declaration carefully and sign at the bottom.**

### MATERIAL INFORMATION

Please provide us with details of any information which may be relevant to our consideration of your proposal for insurance. If you have any doubt over whether something is relevant, please let us have details.

### DATA PROTECTION

By signing this Proposal Form you consent to Hiscox using the information we may hold about you for the purpose of providing insurance and handling claims, if any, and to process sensitive personal data about you where this is necessary (for example health information or criminal convictions). This may mean we have to give some details to third parties involved in providing insurance cover. These may include insurance carriers, third-party claims adjusters, fraud detection and prevention services, reinsurance companies and insurance regulatory authorities. Where such sensitive personal information relates to anyone other than you, you must obtain the explicit consent of the person to whom the information relates both to the disclosure of such information to us and its use by us as set out above. The information provided will be treated in confidence and in compliance with the Data Protection Act 1998. You have the right to apply for a copy of your information (for which we may charge a small fee) and to have any inaccuracies corrected.

### DECLARATION

I/We declare that (a) this proposal form has been completed after proper enquiry; (b) its contents are true and accurate and (c) all facts and matters which may be relevant to the consideration of our proposal for insurance have been disclosed.

I/We undertake to inform you before any contract of insurance is concluded, if there is any material change to the information already provided or any new fact or matter arises which may be relevant to the consideration of our proposal for insurance.

I/We understand that non-disclosure or misrepresentation of a material fact or matter will entitle Hiscox Insurance Company Limited to avoid this insurance.

I/We agree that this proposal form and all other written information which is provided are incorporated into and form the basis of any contract of insurance.

Signature of Principal/Partner/Director

Date

**A copy of this proposal should be retained for your records.**

## COMPLAINTS

We pride ourselves on providing a first class, reliable and efficient service to all of our customers. Complaints are a key to monitoring our service and wherever possible, we seek to take action to prevent recurrence of a problem.

We define a complaint as any expression of dissatisfaction, whether oral or written, and whether justified or not, about a service or activity provided by the insurance company.

If you have a complaint, please contact your insurance broker in the first instance.

If your complaint cannot be resolved satisfactorily by your insurance broker, please contact our customer services team:

**Telephone:** 0870 084 3777

**Email:** [customerservices@hiscox.com](mailto:customerservices@hiscox.com)

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