Important Exam Information:

Exam Date and Time	A read-through time of 15 minutes will be given prior to the start of the exam.
Exam Registration	Candidates may register online or with an application.
Order Study Notes	Study notes are part of the required syllabus and are not available electronically but may be purchased through the online store.
Introductory Study Note	The Introductory Study Note has a complete listing of all readings as well as errata and other important information.
Case Study	There is no case study for this examination.
Past Exams	There are no past exams for this examination. Past exams from 2000-present for other SOA exams are available on the SOA website.
Updates	Candidates should be sure to check the Updates page on the exam home page periodically for additional corrections or notices.

1. Topic: Financial Reporting

Learning Objective

The candidate will understand the elements of financial reporting for general insurance companies.

Learning Outcomes

The candidate will be able to:

- a) Understand and apply the concepts of insurance accounting
- b) Compare different financial reporting standards for general insurers including: U.S. Statutory Accounting Principles (SAP), U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), Canadian Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (CGAAP), Solvency II and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS)
- c) Describe the elements of the P&C-1 Annual Return
- d) Complete and interpret selected pages/schedules in the P&C-1 Annual Return as included in the resources
- e) Understand and apply the concepts of reinsurance accounting
- f) Understand and apply the elements of discounting for general insurance loss reserves
- g) Demonstrate knowledge of taxation for general insurers in Canada

Resources

- General Insurance Financial Reporting Topics, Society of Actuaries:
 - o Part 1 Accounting Systems for General Insurers
 - o Part 2 Accounting for Insurance Contracts
 - o Part 3 Accounting for Financial Instruments
 - o Part 5 Accounting for Reinsurance Contracts
 - o Part 6 Schedule F, Statutory Credit for Reinsurance (6.1 only)
 - o Part 7 Statutory Loss Accounting and Schedule P (excluding 7.2, 7.4, 7.6, 7.7, 7.10, 7.12 and 7.13)
 - Part 8 Measuring Total Income for General Insurers
 - o Part 15 Income Taxes for General Insurers (excluding 15.8 to 15.14)
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2. Topic: Financial Health Measurement

Learning Objective

The candidate will understand the analysis of a general insurer's financial health through prescribed formulas, ratios and other solvency regulation methods.

Learning Outcomes

The candidate will be able to:

- a) Evaluate the financial health of a general insurer using information contained in the Annual Return
- b) Understand and apply the elements of the U.S. NAIC RBC formula
- c) Calculate and interpret the results of financial health ratios
- d) Understand and apply the elements of the Minimum Capital Test and the Dynamic Capital Adequacy Test
- e) Discuss OSFI Stress Testing
- f) Understand the development and principles of solvency regulation, including that in Canada, the U.S., and the E.U.
- g) Demonstrate knowledge of the E.U Solvency II standard formula solvency capital requirement
- h) Demonstrate knowledge of ORSA and its implementations
- i) Compare different solvency standards
- j) Discuss the function of credit rating agencies and their impact on general insurers

Resources

- General Insurance Financial Reporting Topics, Society of Actuaries:
 - Part 12 Solvency Monitoring
 - o Part 13 General Insurance Financial Ratings
- FRE-102-14: "Insurance Regulatory Information System (IRIS) Ratios Manual," National Association of Insurance Commissioners, 2013 Edition, Pages 1-26
- "Revised Educational Note: Dynamic Capital Adequacy Testing," Canadian Institute of Actuaries, November 2013, excluding Appendix A http://www.cia-ica.ca/publications/publication-details/213077
- "Guideline A: Minimum Capital Test for Federally Regulated Property and Casualty Insurance Companies,"
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- "Guideline A-4: Regulatory Capital and Internal Capital Targets," Office of the Superintendent of Financial Institutions Canada, January 2014
 http://www.osfi-bsif.gc.ca/app/DocRepository/1/eng/guidelines/capital/guidelines/a4a e.pdf
- "Guideline E-18: Stress Testing," Office of the Superintendent of Financial Institutions Canada, December 2009 http://www.osfi-bsif.gc.ca/app/DocRepository/1/eng/guidelines/sound/guidelines/e18_e.pdf
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 Insurance," Office of the Superintendent of Financial Institutions Canada, Property & Casualty (P&C) MCT
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3. Topic: Responsibilities of the Actuary

Learning Objective

The candidate will be able to apply the standards of practice regarding the responsibilities of the actuary as defined by regulators and the Canadian Institute of Actuaries.

Learning Outcomes

The candidate will be able to:

- a) Describe, interpret and apply the applicable Standards of Practice
- Describe, interpret and apply the responsibilities of the actuary with respect to the Appointed Actuary's Report
- c) Compare the Statements of Actuarial Opinion in the U.S. and Canada
- d) Describe and apply the concept of materiality
- e) Discuss the International Actuarial Association position on the function of the actuary in prudential supervision

Resources

- "Consolidated Standards of Practice: 1600, 2200, 2400, and 2500," Canadian Institute of Actuaries, Effective February 2014
 http://www.cia-ica.ca/publications/standards-of-practice
- "International Standard of Actuarial Practice 1, General Actuarial Practice," Approved by the IAA Council November 18, 2012, International Actuarial Association http://www.actuaries.org/ISAP1/ISAP1 Final WebVersion.pdf
- General Insurance Financial Reporting Topics, Society of Actuaries:
 - o Part 14 Overview of the General Insurance Statement of Actuarial Opinion
- "The P&C Actuary's Role in Solvency Monitoring," Property and Casualty Insurance Compensation Corporation(PACICC), Freidland, J. and Tao, I., KPMG, 2011 http://www.pacicc.ca/publications/research.html
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- "The Function of the Actuary in Prudential Supervision," International Actuarial Association, September 2002 http://www.actuaries.org/LIBRARY/Papers/Prudential Supervision EN.pdf

4. Topic: Regulation

Learning Objective

The candidate will be able to describe the current and historical regulatory environment.

Learning Outcomes

The candidate will be able to:

- a) Describe the functions of key regulatory bodies in Canada
- b) Describe and interpret the current state of general insurance regulation in Canada and its development
- c) Compare different forms of rate regulation
- d) Discuss market conduct regulation
- e) Discuss the issues regarding usage based insurance and telematics in automobile insurance
- f) Describe the development of general insurance programs controlled by government or collective insurance industry organizations
- g) Describe the mechanisms of operation for government and/or collective insurance industry controlled programs as included in the resources
- h) Discuss the concept of no-fault laws and its application in general insurance
- i) Understand the regulation of earthquake exposures and reinsurance
- i) Outline the function and regulation of captives

Resources

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- FRE-602-14: Life and Disability Insurance Laws of Canada (Common Law Provinces), McDonald, B., Advocis (Canadian Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors), 2003 Edition, Part A, Chapter 2: Constitutional Aspects (pages A2-1 to A2-10)
- FRE-603-14: *Introduction to Canadian Insurance Law,* Brown, C., LexisNexis Canada Inc., Butterworths, 2nd Edition, 2006, Chapter 16: Regulation of The Insurance Industry
- FRE-604-14: "Competition Law: Implications for Canadian General Insurers," Cappelletti, A., Society of Actuaries Study Note
- FRE-605-14: "Research Report Best Practices for Actuarial Involvement in the Regulatory Oversight of Property and Casualty Insurance Rates," Friedland, J., KPMG, Final Release: December 14, 2012, Parts 5 and 6
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- "Guide to Compensation Plan for Property and Casualty Insurers," Property and Casualty Insurance Compensation Corporation, May 2010 http://www.pacicc.com/policies/policies/Guide%20to%20Compensation.pdf
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5. Topic: Law

Learning Objective

The candidate will be able to understand tort law and insurance law with respect to its impact on the general insurance industry.

Learning Outcomes

The candidate will be able to:

- a) Describe and interpret the key elements of tort law and the underlying principles of insurance law
- b) Compare civil law in the Province of Quebec to common law in the other provinces
- c) Discuss the influence of the U.S. tort litigation environment in Canada
- d) Discuss the issues of tort trends and tort reform as it applies to the general insurance industry
- e) Understand mass torts/class action suits and discuss their impact on the general insurance industry
- f) Describe and interpret legal cases/issues from Important Legal Cases with Respect to the Canadian General Insurance Industry

Resources

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