

Risk Transfer It's More Than Just Signing A Contract

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Overview

- Contractual Risk Transfer
- Non-contractual Risk Transfer
 - Insurance
 - Hold Harmless/Indemnification Agreements

- Waivers
- Performance and Payment Bonds
- Examples

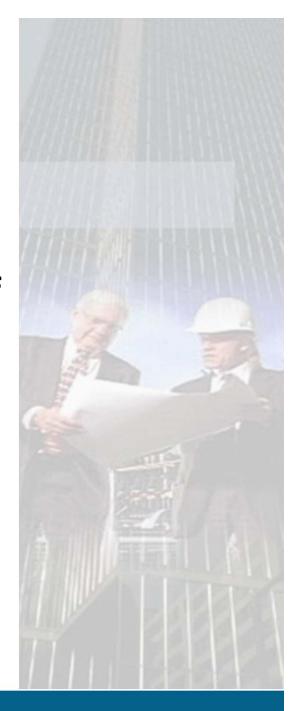


Contractual Risk Transfer

Contracts

- Be in writing
- Identify clearly what is expected of each party
- Identify how the parties will be compensated
- Identify insurance requirements

Be sure to have these reviewed by legal counsel



Non-Contractual Risk Transfer

- Insurance
- Hold Harmless Agreements/
 Indemnification Clauses
- Waivers
- Performance and Payment Bonds





Insurance

- The most common insurance coverages that are required:
 - Commercial General Liability
 - Business Auto
 - Professional
 - Workers' Compensation
 - Umbrella/Excess
 - Additional Insured Status



Insurance

- Other Critical Issues
 - Coverage
 - Indemnification
 - Subrogation

.....always subject to the exclusions, definitions and conditions of the policy



Coverage

- Make sure that you review the coverage.
- Remember, many "standard form contracts" simply protect the interests of the contractor, or might actually attempt to shift the legal responsibility from the contractor to your entity.



Certificates of Insurance



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 Producer: Insurance agent or broker who issues the certificate

- Name of Insured: Must match the legal name of the contractor
- Description of Operations: Reference contact number, or project description, locations, vehicles or exclusions added by endorsement or special provisions. May also confirm that the member has been added as an "additional insured."
- Certificate Holder: Member name (not department) and mailing address
- Insurers Affording Coverage: Insurance companies must be acceptable to the member. If the contractor is selfinsured, review of financial information may be required.
- O Policy Effective Date: Must be prior to or coincide with the contract date.
- Policy Expiration Date: Coverage must be in force for the complete term of the contract. If insurance expines during the term of the contract, a new Certificate of insurance must be received by the member at least 10 days prior to the expiration date. This new insurance must meet the terms of the original agreement.
- Notice of CancellationLMCIT recommends that the contractor's insurance policies contain a provision that states a minimum of 30 days advance notice will be given to the member of any substantial change to or cancellation of any insurance policy listed on the certificate. The ACORD 25 (2010/05) version of the Certificate of Liability Insurance states notice will be given with the policy

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Certificates of Insurance

- Be sure to read/verify the coverages are what you agreed to with the contractor
- Request an endorsement naming your entity as an additional insured
- Create a reminder system





Hold Harmless/ Indemnification Agreements

 The typical indemnification clause/agreement will require the intemnitor (contractor) to:

"indemnify and hold harmless" your organization for any losses that the indemnitor (contractor) incurs, or for damages for which they may be held liable.



3 Types of **Indemnification Clauses**

- Broad Form—transfers the entire risk of loss
- Intermediate Form—liability is transferred for damages cause "in whole or in part" by the indemnitor
- Limited Form—the indemnitor negligence.





Broad Form

"To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor agrees to defend and indemnify the City, and its officers, employees and volunteers from and against all claims, damages, losses, and expenses, including attorney fees arising out of or resulting from the performance of work under this Agreement regardless of whether or not it is caused in part by the negligent acts, errors or omissions of the City, and its officers, employees or volunteers. Contractor agrees this indemnity obligation shall survive the completion or termination of this Agreement."



Intermediate Form

"To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor agrees to defend and indemnify city, and its officers, employees and volunteers, from and against all claims, damages, losses, and expenses, including attorney fees, arising out of or resulting from the performance of work under this Agreement; but only to the extent caused in whole or in part by the negligent acts, errors, or omissions of the City and its officers employees or volunteers. Contractor agrees this indemnity obligation shall survive the completion or termination of this Agreement."



Limited Form

"To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor agrees to defend and indemnify the City, and its officers, employees and volunteers from and against all claims, damages, losses and expenses, including attorney fees, arising out of or resulting from the performance of work under this Agreement, but only to the extent caused in whole or in part by the negligent acts, errors or omissions of the Contractor. Contractor agrees that this indemnity obligation shall survive the completion or termination of this Agreement."

Waivers

- Include an indemnification clause (generally a limited form)
- Include a provision that the Contractor agrees to be personally liable if there's no insurance coverage, or if the coverage is not of an acceptable amount.



Waiver

WAIVER AND RELEASE

CONTRACTOR		EVENT LOCATION
		Normandale Lake Bandshel
		5901 West 84th Street
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DATE OF OCCUPANCY AND USE:	_	
TIME OF OCCPANCY AND USE:		
PURPOSE OF OCCUPANCY:	Arts in the Parks Performance	

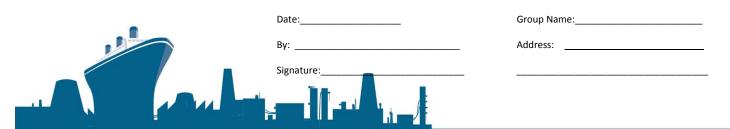
The undersigned, hereafter referred to as "Contractor", for and in consideration of the City of Bloomington's authorization to utilize the above-listed property; and, for and in consideration of the City of Bloomington's waiver of its standard insurance requirements, does hereby consent and agree to the following:

Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the City of Bloomington, its officials, employees, and agents from any and all claims, causes of action, lawsuits, damages, losses, or expenses, including attorney fees, arising out of or resulting from the undersigned's (including its officials, agents, or employees) use and occupancy of the premises.

Contractor understands that he/she will be solely responsible for any and all damages or losses to Contractor's personal property while located at the above-listed property.

Contractor certifies that he/she has had an opportunity to review this WAIVER AND RELEASE and to have it reviewed by an attorney of his/her choosing; that he/she is familiar with and understands the risks of utilizing and occupying the premises for the purpose described above; and, that he/she assumes all risks in connection with the use and occupation of the premises.

4. The person signing this Waiver represents and warrants that the Contractor has authorized him/her to execute this Agreement on its behalf and agrees to be bound by its terms and conditions, including the agreement of the Contractor to indemnify and hold the City harmless. In the event the Contractor did not authorize the Signatory to sign on its behalf, the Signatory agrees to assume responsibility for the duties and liabilities of the Contractor, as set forth herein, personally.



Performance Bonds

- Generally used with service/construction contracts
- Allows your organization to complete the project, and requires the Contractor to "pay the difference" between the agreed to price and that of a replacement contractor.



Payment Bonds

 Requires the Contractor to pay for the materials and/or labor required to perform the contract.





Example #1

Resident Jim wants to rent a park shelter, where he's going to set up a bounce house, have a petting zoo for the kids and a beer garden for the parents.

HOW DO YOU TRANSFER THE RISK?



Example #2

Tim's Tree Trimming Services has won the bid for trimming all of your entity's public trees. The are significantly lower in price than the next lowest bidder.

Things are going well, but in July, Tim and his wife decide to take a vacation so he tells you he can't complete the contract.

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Example #3

Cathy runs a cleaning company that has won the cleaning contract for your building. As part of the contract process, she sends over a certificate of insurance and you notice that she doesn't have adequate GL insurance limits.

HOW DO YOU TRANSFER THE RISK?



QUESTIONS???

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