

Your Exam Content Outline

The following outline describes the content of one of the Vermont insurance examinations. The outlines are the basis of the examinations. The examination will contain questions on the subjects contained in the outline. The percentages indicate the relative weights assigned to each part of the examination. For example, 10 percent means that 6 questions will be drawn from the section on a 60-question exam, 10 will be drawn on a 100-question exam and 15 will be drawn on a 150-question exam.

Vermont Producer's Examination for Bail Bond Series 14-35

60 questions – One-hour time limit

1.0 Insurance Regulation 20%

1.1 Licensing

Persons to be licensed (4793; RL 13 Sec 7554a)
Process (4800; 4813f)
Producer appointment (4798(c); 4813l)
Termination of appointment (4798(d); 4813m)
Examination of records (3565)
Maintenance and duration
 Renewal and expiration (4798)
 Address change (4800(3)(F))
 Continuing education requirements (4800a; Reg 2000-2 Sec 4)
Disciplinary actions
 Denial of license (4800(3)(E))
 Cease and desist order (3661)
 Suspension, revocation or nonrenewal (4804; 4806)

1.2 Unfair trade practices (4724)

Misrepresentation (4724(1, 11, 13))
False advertising (4724(2))
Defamation (4724(3))
Boycott, coercion and intimidation (4724(4))
False financial statements and entries (4724(5))
Illegal inducement (4724(6))
Unfair discrimination (4724(7))
Rebating (4724(8))
Failure to maintain complaint record (4724(10))
Failure to act as fiduciary (4724(12))
Nondisclosure of fees or charges (4724(14))
Failure to comply with filed rates, rules, regulations or forms (4724(19))

1.3 Trust accounts (Reg 95-1)

Fiduciary duties and responsibilities
Accounting requirements

1.4 Federal regulation

Fraud and false statements (18 USC 1033, 1034)

2.0 The Legal Framework 10%

2.1 Powers and authority of producers

Express
Implied
Apparent

2.2 Contracts

Elements of a legal contract
 Offer and acceptance
 Consideration
 Competent parties
 Legal purpose
Concealment
Fraud

2.3 Court jurisdiction

Original jurisdiction
 Territorial
 Personal
Appellate jurisdiction

2.4 Terminology

Arrest
Capital offense
Chancer (RL 13 Sec 7570)
Concurrent bail
Consecutive bail
Conviction
Custody
Defendant
Discharge
Disposition
Extradition
Felony
Final judgment
Hearing
Incarceration
Indictment
Misdemeanor
Mittimus
Posting of bail
Recognizance
Warrant

3.0 Bail Bond Principles and Practices 70%

3.1 Parties to a surety bond

Principal
 Indemnitor for principal
 Indemnity agreement
Obligee
Surety
 Surety's agent (producer)

3.2 Duties of a bail bond producer

Approval
Premium receipt
Obligation to court

Power of attorney
Collateral and trust obligations

3.3 Types of bonds

Bail
Peace bond (RL 13 Sec 7573)
Property bond
Secured appearance bond
Unsecured appearance bond

3.4 Procedure

Application for bond (surety/defendant contract)
Collateral security
Surety contract
Posting the bond

3.5 Court procedures (RL 13 Sec 7551–7576)

Court appearances
Arrestment
Trial
Appeal
Conditions of release
Prior to trial (RL 13 Sec 7553, 7554)
Pending appeal (RL 13 Sec 7574)
Failure to appear
Revocation of bail (RL 13 Sec 7575)

3.6 Release of surety

**3.7 Surrender of principal (defendant)
(RL 13 Sec 7562–7564)**

Discharge of bond
Return of premium
Return of collateral

3.8 Bond forfeiture (RL 13 Sec 7570)

Notice to defendant and sureties
Judgment
Dispersal of funds
Arrest after forfeiture