

Your Exam Content Outline

The following outline describes the content of one of the Louisiana 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.

Louisiana Examination for Crop Adjuster Series 14-23

60 questions – One-hour time limit

1.0 Insurance Regulation 15%

1.1 Licensing requirements (22:1663, 1666, 1668)

- Types of licenses (22:1665, 1666, 1670)
 - Resident versus nonresident (22:1665, 1670)
 - Limited (22:1666)
- Maintenance and duration
 - Expiration (22:1671(B)(1))
 - Renewal (22:1671(B)(2))
 - Change of address (22:1671(C))
 - Assumed names (22:1671(C))
 - Reporting of actions (22:1677)
 - Continuing education requirements (22:1673)
- Disciplinary actions
 - Hearings (22:1672(B))
 - Cease and desist order (22:1969)
 - License denial, nonrenewal, or revocation (22:1672)
 - Penalties with or without suspension of license (22:1672(A))
- Definitions
 - Adjuster (22:1661(1))
 - Business entity (22:1661(2))
 - Home state (22:1661(4))
 - Individual (22:1661(5))
 - Insurer (22:1661(6))
 - Person (22:1661(7))
 - Uniform individual application (22:1661(8))
 - Uniform business entity application (22:1661(9))

1.2 Claim settlement laws and regulations (22:1964(14))

- Unfair claims settlement practices
- Prompt payment of claims
- Notice of settlement of liability claims

1.3 State regulation

- Commissioner's general duties and powers (22:2, 1967)
- Company regulation
- Referral practices (22:1676)

- Unfair trade practices (22:1674)
 - Unlicensed representation (22:1674(A))
 - Financial interest (22:1674(B))
 - Acquisition of salvage property (22:1674(C))
 - Solicitation (22:1674(D),(E))
 - Misrepresentation (22:1674(F))

1.4 Federal regulation

- Fraud and false statements (18 USC 1033, 1034)

2.0 Crop Insurance 25%

2.1 Eligibility

- Insureds
- Insurable crops

2.2 Application

- Binder
- Declarations section
- Required signatures
- Required information

2.3 Term of coverage

- Effective date
- Inception of coverage
- Expiration
- Cancellation

2.4 Perils insured against

2.5 Exclusions

2.6 Limits of coverage

- Insurable value
- Percentage plan
- Deductibles
- Reduction of insurance

2.7 Other provisions

- Replanting clause
- Acreage variation
- Transit coverage
- Fire department service charge
- Pro rata liability clause
- Fire and lightning coverage
- Assignment
- Subrogation

2.8 Claim settlement practices

- Notice of loss
- Insured's duties after loss
- Appraisal/arbitration

2.9 Mandatory endorsements

- NCIS — 444 Tomatoes, Truck and Vine Crops
- NCIS — 578 Tree Fruits

3.0 Federal Multi-peril Crop Insurance Programs 30%

3.1 Basic catastrophic crop insurance (CAT)

- Eligibility
 - Insureds
 - Insurable crops
- Actuarial document books
- Yield guarantee
 - Actual production history (APH)
 - Assigned yield
 - Transitional yield
- Coverage level
- Market price percentage
- Covered causes of loss
- Application
- Basic unit
- Administrative fee
- Production records
- Acreage reporting
- Late planting agreement option
- Disqualification of producer
- Life of policy
 - Continuous
 - Cancellation
 - Termination

3.2 Multiple peril policy options

- Levels of coverage
- Price election
- Optional units
- High-risk land exclusion
- Hail/fire exclusion
- Replant payments
- Late planting coverage
- Prevented planting coverage
- Transfer of coverage
- Assignment of indemnity
- Subrogation

3.3 Other provisions

- Individual crop
- Small grain
- Coarse grain
- Priorities of conflicts between provisions
- Duties after loss
 - Insured
 - Insurer

3.4 Additional programs

- Group Risk Plan (GRP)
 - County expected yield
 - County average yield
- Eligible crops

4.0 Plant Physiology 10%

4.1 Basic plant functions

4.2 Structure of the stem and leaf

4.3 Stages of growth

4.4 Main classification of plants

- Grassy plants
- Broadleaf plants

5.0 Loss Adjusting Procedures 20%

5.1 Settling the claim

- Other insurance
- Subrogation
- Field inspections and counts
- Closing the claim
- Deferments
- Unsettled claims (snags)