

# SOUTH DAKOTA REAL ESTATE COMMISSION'S (SDREC's) GROUP ERRORS AND OMISSIONS (E&O) PROGRAM

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South Dakota law requires all active brokers, salespersons, property managers, and residential rental agents to carry and maintain E&O insurance to cover all licensed activities. If insurance is not timely obtained or renewed, the SDREC may inactivate your license and issue other penalties. If you were enrolled in the SDREC's 2023 group policy, your insurance expired January 1, 2024. The SDREC requires evidence of insurance prior to license activation or renewal. You may enroll quickly and easily online at <a href="https://www.risceo.com">www.risceo.com</a> and download proof of coverage immediately upon completion of payment.

**Protection from the Most Experienced Provider in the Business –** RISC's management team has been involved in state-mandated real estate E&O insurance programs longer than any other group in the business. This program is specially tailored to meet the specific needs of South Dakota licensees. The insurance carrier is Continental Casualty Company, a CNA insurance company. RISC's experience and excellent claims service, combined with CNA's strong financial performance and ratings (rated "A" by A.M. Best), ensures a quality program.

**Option for Renewing E&O Coverage for Multiple Licensees –** Companies with 10+ licensees can request a Multiple Licensee Renewal Form to electronically submit enrollment information for all the firm's licensees timely and expediently.

**Firm Excess Policies Available –** Firm excess policies (written by Continental) with up to \$3,000,000 aggregate limits are available on an underwritten basis. To qualify, all the firm's licensees must participate in the group program. Contact us for an application to obtain a quote.

#### REVIEW THE FOLLOWING IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND SIGN BELOW

What is and is Not Covered – We urge all licensees to review a sample policy, including the Exclusions section. A sample policy and additional information are available on our website, <a href="https://www.risceo.com">www.risceo.com</a>, or by calling us toll-free at 1-800-637-7319, ext. 1.

This is a Claims-Made-and-Reported Policy – There is no coverage for claims first made before the beginning or after the end of your individual policy period. If you have any knowledge of a claim; potential claim; or any act, error, omission, fact, or situation that may give rise to a claim against you or your company, it must be reported in writing immediately to your insurance carrier before your current policy period expires. Failure to do so may jeopardize any coverage that would have otherwise been available. Any claim under the group policy must be reported to us in writing during the individual policy period in which it is first made against the insured. For further instructions and a notice of claim form, visit our website, <a href="https://www.risceo.com">www.risceo.com</a>, then select the "Resources" tab and click "Forms" or call us toll-free at 1-800-637-7319, ext. 2.

**Prior Acts and Importance of Timely Renewal –** Your "retroactive date" determines whether your insurance applies to claims involving services performed before the new policy's effective date. The retroactive date is the date from which you have continuously maintained uninterrupted E&O insurance with no breaks between policy periods. <u>Even a one-day gap between insurance policy periods will preclude coverage of any professional services performed before and through the last day of the gap, even if you had insurance in effect when the services were rendered and again when the claim arises. If you failed to enroll timely, call RISC immediately to see if you qualify to backdate your individual policy period to January 1, 2024. This procedure will not remedy noncompliance with mandatory insurance laws, which will result in penalties and fines.</u>

Not Renewing Coverage through RISC's Program? Consider an Optional Extended Reporting Period (ERP) Endorsement – There is no coverage for claims that arise after the end of your individual policy period unless an ERP is in place. Claims often arise years after the subject transaction occurred. If you do not renew coverage for any reason (e.g., inactivating / retiring your license or switching to a different provider), you should consider purchasing an ERP endorsement. We offer 1, 2, and 3 year ERP endorsements to extend the policy's reporting date to apply to claims that are first made and reported within that period. An ERP endorsement may only be purchased any time during or up to 90 days after the end of your individual policy period.

**Territory** – Licensees domiciled in South Dakota are insured for real estate services performed anywhere they hold an active real estate license, provided the services would require a real estate license if performed in South Dakota. Licensees not domiciled in South Dakota are insured for South Dakota transactions only. Out-of-state licensees may be considered domiciled in South Dakota if their principal real estate license is affiliated with a real estate office in South Dakota and they reside within 50 miles of the South Dakota state line. See the Territory section of the policy for more information.

Effective Date – Licensees who enroll after January 1, 2024 will have an inception date of the day we receive the licensee's completed enrollment form and premium. To request a different inception date (after January 1, 2024) for Continental's consideration, insert requested date:

**Premium / Deductible:** All premiums are fully earned at policy inception and no refunds are permitted after that date. If your payment is returned for nonsufficient funds, you are responsible for payment of any resulting bank fees or penalties. The deductible will be due in accordance with the policy. Enrollee agrees to reimburse Continental for any and all costs and expenses it incurs by employing a collection agency to collect any overdue deductible.

Enrollee has reviewed and understands the information contained herein. Enrollee declares that the above statements are true and that Enrollee has not suppressed or misstated any material facts. Enrollee understands that it is a crime to knowingly provide false, incomplete, or misleading information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding the company. Penalties include imprisonment, fines, and denial of insurance benefits. Enrollee agrees that this enrollment form shall be the basis of the contract with the Company and that coverage, if written, will be provided on a claims-made-and-reported basis. Enrollee understands and agrees that the completion of this enrollment form does not bind the Company to issue a policy.

COMPLETE IF ENROLLING BY MAIL							
LICENSEE		DATE					
SIGNATURE							

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#### **ENROLLMENT FORM**

### RISC COLLECTS THE PAYMENTS FOR THE SDREC'S GROUP E&O PROGRAM. DO NOT SEND YOUR PAYMENT TO THE SDREC.

South Dakota law requires that all active real estate brokers, salespersons, property managers, and residential rental agents carry and

maintain E&O insurance that applied coverage so that the licensee may program, provided coverage meets sta	provide pro	oof of coverage to t	he SDREC. License	es may purch	ase insuranc	e outside of	
		HOW TO	ENROLL				
<b>ONLINE</b> – At www.risceo.com with a upon completion (nonrefundable \$5 co				and receive a	certificate of	coverage im	mediately
<b>MAIL –</b> Select desired coverages below 7 – 10 days for processing. Licensees					rder payable	to RISC. Allo	ow at least
Mailing AddressOvernightRISC, P.O. Box 6709, Louisville, KY 40206-0709RISC, 4211 Norbourne Blvd.							
Please provide con	nplete and c	LICENSEE IN orrect information. Fa	FORMATION illure to do so may del	ay issuance o	f your covera	ge.	
Licensee Name:	License Type: License No.:			License No.:			
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Address:							
City:	Sta	te:		Zip Code:			
Work Phone:		Home Phone:			Cell Phone:		
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Fax:	Em	Email*:					
*We occasionally send important notices by email	. To receive the	se notices, provide your cu	rrent email address and add	our email domain	(@risceo.com) to	o your address b	ook.
SELECT YOUR DESIRED COVERAG	E(S)						
BASIC POLICY							
Limits of Liability – \$100,000 per claim / \$500,000 aggregate  Deductibles – \$1,000 (damages) & \$500 (claims expenses)						See prorated	
2024 Inception Date, Jan \$ Jan 1, 2025 Expiration Date Jul \$		b \$171 Mar \$156 ng \$78 Sep \$62	Apr \$140 Oct \$47	May \$125 Nov \$31	Jun \$109 Dec \$16	premiums at left	
OPTIONAL ENDORSEMENTS – This is a when the claim is first made, which may you would like the coverage to apply (pro	be after this p	oolicy period expires.	You should consider co				
Appraisal Endorsement – Adds licensed real estate appraisal services to insured professional services.  Eligibility requirements: (1) an active real estate license and (2) an active appraisal license.  Appraisal License #:							
			comply with the ESO r	oquiromonts in	another state		
Conformity Endorsement – Conforms your insurance through the SD policy to comply with the E&O requirements in another state where you have an active real estate license. Eligibility requirement: You must be actually domiciled in SD or treated as domiciled in SD by the policy terms.  Please circle applicable state(s): AK CO ID IA KY LA MS MT ND NE NM RI TN* WY							
Other State License Type:/#:(identify state if more than one)						# of states at issuance	
*Eligibility for TN conformity is limited by TN regula					-,		
Residential Personal Interest Coverage E property owned by you, your spouse, or an policy, the basic group policy insures claims so long as the sale or listing for sale is perfo	entity you ow involving the	n, under certain conditions ale or listing for sale of	ons. *Subject to the term your primary residence, a	s and condition as defined in the	s of the group group policy,	\$50	
Increased Limits Endorsements – You may purchase ONLY ONE increased limits endorsement:		Increased Limits of \$250,000 per claim / \$750,000 aggregate				\$98	
		Increased Limits of \$500,000 per claim / \$1,000,000 aggregate				\$169	
Basic Policy Premium + Any Optional Endorsement Premium						\$ \$	
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