

How the Insurance Board Compares to the PCUSA General Assembly Recommended Minimum Standards!

After reviewing information gathered in a 1999 survey on insurance, a Joint Insurance Committee of the PC(USA) established recommended minimum standards of property and liability insurance.

PROPERTY

1. **Buildings and Contents at Appraised Replacement Cost** *IB EXCEEDS* and goes further with: additional 25% of limit is available to pay a claim if church is unintentionally underinsured.
 - A. **80 percent Co-insurance:** an alternative to agreed value, offered by some companies as a percentage of value, providing coverage up to fixed limits. *IB EXCEEDS* in that there is no co-insurance penalty in *IB* property policies.
 - B. **Special Form:** the broadest coverage available, normally including fire, vandalism, sewer back-up, theft of property, etc., unless specifically excluded or deemed not necessary by an insurance professional. *IB EXCEEDS: with Removal of Vacant Property Restrictions, Automatic Business Interruption Coverage, and Broad Water Damage Coverage Extension.*
2. **Supplemental Coverage:** off-premise coverage, newly acquired property, debris removal, rebuilding to code requirements, necessary demolition of building, personal property of ministers and others, stained glass, organ, other musical instruments, art work, valuable papers, loss of business income and related extra expenses. *IB EXCEEDS, all listed supplements are provided, plus EDP Equipment and Media, Trees, Plants & Shrubs, Cost to Prepare Statement of Loss, Fire Department Service Charge, Arson Reward Coverage, and Re-keying Coverage.*
3. **Boiler and Machinery:** as boiler and machinery types require, including all related expenses spoilage and similar costs. *IB MEETS*
4. **Earthquake:** where appropriate for geographical area, written separately unless specifically stated in policy. *IB MEETS, offers optional coverage in most areas.*
5. **Flood:** where appropriate, also written separately and may be offered with state or federal assistance. *IB MEETS, offers optional coverage in most areas.*

LIABILITY

1. **General Liability:** \$1M per claim/occurrence, \$2M aggregate; covers most risks, including products, bodily injury, property of others; \$10,000 no fault medical payments including volunteers and athletic activities; contractual liability; fire legal liability at \$100,000 limit; day nursery/child care; pastoral professional liability and sexual misconduct coverage at \$1M limit. *IB EXCEEDS*
2. **Umbrella Coverage:** \$10M per occurrence or aggregate, in excess over primary limits of general and automobile liability; review of coverage by insurance professional for additional excess limits. *IB EXCEEDS*
3. **Automobile:** \$1M per occurrence or aggregate, including uninsured and underinsured motorist protection; \$10,000 medical coverage; Personal Injury Protection in states where applicable; hired and non-owned coverage to policy limits. *IB EXCEEDS*
4. **Workers' Compensation:** As required in each state, including pastors and all employees. *IB EXCEEDS*
5. **Directors and Officers:** \$1M per claim/occurrence, or aggregate, for corporate protection of session, deacons, trustees, officers in performance of regular duties. *IB EXCEEDS*
6. **Employment Practices Liability:** \$250,000 per claim, or aggregate for claims related to employment, benefits, termination and sexual harassment. *IB EXCEEDS*
7. **Crime Coverages:** \$50,000 per claim or occurrence for protection from employee dishonesty, theft or loss of money or securities, depositors forgery; volunteers with access to church funds in any way should be covered. *IB EXCEEDS*



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NOTE: The descriptions of coverage are general only and are not statements of an insurance contract. All coverage descriptions and limits are subject to the Policy provisions / terms and conditions of the respective policy(ies).