

Chapter Ins 6

GENERAL

Ins 6.01	Foreign company to operate two years before admission	Ins 6.08	Fictitious groups
Ins 6.02	Company to transact a kind of insurance two years before admission	Ins 6.30	Instructions for uniform classifications of expenses of fire and marine and casualty and surety insurers
Ins 6.03	Nonresident casualty and fire insurance agents	Ins 6.31	Interpretations of the instructions for uniform classifications of expenses of fire and marine and casualty and surety insurers
Ins 6.04	Countersignature requirements		
Ins 6.05	Filing of insurance forms		

**Ins 6.01 Foreign company to operate 2 years before admission.** Experience has demonstrated that until a company has engaged in the business of insurance for at least 2 years there is not a sufficient basis upon which to form a judgment as to whether its methods and practices in the conduct of its business are such as to safeguard the interests of its policyholders and the people of this state. Therefore, no application of a foreign insurance company or mutual benefit society for a license to transact business in Wisconsin will be considered until it has continuously transacted the business of insurance for at least 2 years immediately prior to the making of such application for license.

**Ins 6.02 Company to transact a kind of insurance 2 years before admission.** (1) Experience has demonstrated that until a company has engaged in a kind of insurance or in another kind of insurance of the same class for at least 2 years, there is not a sufficient basis upon which to form a judgment as to whether its methods and practices in the conduct of its business in such kind of insurance or another kind in the same class of insurance, are such as to safeguard the interests of its policyholders and the people of this state. Therefore, no application of a foreign insurance company or mutual benefit society for a license to transact a kind of insurance business in Wisconsin will be considered until it has continuously transacted that kind of insurance, or another kind of insurance in the same class of insurance as that for which it makes such application; for at least 2 years immediately prior to making such application. For the purposes hereof, insurance is divided (A) into kinds of insurance according to the provisions of section 201.04, Wis. Stats., each subsection setting forth a separate kind, and (B) into classes of insurance upon the basis of and including the said kinds as follows: (a) Fire insurance includes the kinds in section 201.04 (1), Wis. Stats., (as extended by section 203.28), (2) and (12).

(b) Life insurance includes the kinds in section 201.04 (3), Wis. Stats., but excluding all insurance on the health of persons other than that authorized in section 206.03, Wis. Stats.

(c) Casualty insurance includes the kinds in section 201.04 (4) through (11), and (13) through (18), Wis. Stats.

(2) Provided, however, that nothing herein shall preclude consideration of an application to transact the kind of insurance in section 201.04 (4), Wis. Stats., if the applicant company has transacted any of the kinds of insurance in sections 201.04 (3), (5), (13), (15), (16) and (18), Wis. Stats., continuously for 2 years immediately prior to the making of application for license to transact the kind of insurance in section 201.04 (4), Wis. Stats.

**Ins 6.03 Nonresident casualty and fire insurance agents.** (1) Separate licenses are required for the solicitation of casualty insurance business and of fire insurance business.

(2) A separate license is required for each company for which the nonresident agent solicits business in Wisconsin but the provisions of subsections 201.53 (5) and 209.04 (5), Wis. Stats., permit a licensed nonresident agent to interchange business and receive the whole or any part of the commission from a resident agent on business obtained under such nonresident license and exchanged with the resident agent.

(3) A license will be revoked if the nonresident agent brokers insurance, either in Wisconsin, his state of residence, or elsewhere, of the class (casualty or fire) of insurance covered by the license, unless the placing of such business constitutes an exchange between agents as authorized by subsection 209.04 (5), Wis. Stats. One who solicits brokerage business is not eligible to have a nonresident agent's license for the same class (casualty or fire) of business.

(4) The company which a nonresident wishes to represent as an agent must furnish a statement showing that the applicant is appointed to solicit insurance in Wisconsin as its agent and agree that it will be bound by his knowledge and acts to the same extent as it is in connection with authorized resident agents in Wisconsin.

(5) The applicant for a nonresident agent's license must agree that each policy written by him covering property or risks in Wisconsin will be countersigned by a duly licensed resident agent of the company issuing the policy.

(6) A statement by the supervisory head of the insurance department of the state of residence showing that the applicant is a licensed agent in his state of residence for the company which he desires to represent in Wisconsin must be furnished when application is made for a nonresident agent's license.

(7) The applicant will be required to make full disclosure regarding any connection which he may have as an employe or member of any agency partnership, association or corporation, including the full names and residences of all members, officers, directors and stockholders.

(8) Licenses issued on or after November 1, 1949, shall expire on the next succeeding November 1st. The fee for each nonresident agent's license shall be \$10.00.

**Ins 6.04 Countersignature requirements.** (1) Every policy of insurance issued or delivered in this state shall be countersigned by a licensed resident agent. Except in the case of the standard fire policy, an agent's signature on a copy of an application attached to and forming a part of a policy will be considered as satisfying this requirement.

(2) This rule shall not apply to: (a) Policies issued in accordance with sections 201.44 (6), 201.44 (8), 202.08, or 209.04 (10) (c), (d), (e) and (f), Wis. Stats.;

(b) Policies of life insurance;

(c) Service contracts issued by hospital service corporations authorized under section 182.032, Wis. Stats.;

(d) Contracts issued by state or county medical societies authorized under section 148.01, Wis. Stats.;

(e) Contracts issued under authority of chapter 185, Wis. Stats.

**History:** Cr. Register, April, 1958, No. 28, eff. 5-1-58; am. (2) (a), Register, April, 1963, No. 38, eff. 5-1-63.

Register, February, 1965, No. 110

(m) *Restatement of accounts.* If action is to be taken with respect to the restatement of any asset, capital, or surplus of the insurer, furnish the following information:

1. State the nature of the restatement and the date as of which it is to be effective.
2. Outline briefly the reasons for the restatement and for the selection of the particular effective date.
3. State the name and amount of each account affected by the restatement and the effect of the restatement thereon.

(n) *Matters not required to be submitted.* If action is to be taken with respect to any matter which is not required to be submitted to a vote of stockholders, state the nature of such matter, the reason for submitting it to a vote of stockholders and what action is intended to be taken by the management in the event of a negative vote on the matter by the stockholders.

(o) *Amendment of charter, by-laws, or other documents.* If action is to be taken with respect to any amendment of the insurer's charter, by-laws or other documents as to which information is not required above, state briefly the reasons for and general effect of such amendment and the vote needed for its approval.

(13) INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED BY OR ON BEHALF OF A PARTICIPANT (OTHER THAN THE INSURER) IN A PROXY SOLICITATION IN AN ELECTION CONTEST. (a) *Insurer.* State the name and address of the insurer.

(b) *Identity and background.* 1. State the following:

- a. Your name and business address.
- b. Your present principal occupation or employment and the name, principal business and address of any corporation or other organization in which such employment is carried on.

2. State the following:

- a. Your residence address.
- b. Information as to all material occupations, positions, offices or employments during the last 10 years, giving starting and ending dates of each and the name, principal business and address of any business corporation or other business organization in which each such occupation, position, office or employment was carried on.

3. State whether or not you are or have been a participant in any other proxy contest involving this company or other companies within the past 10 years. If so, identify the principals, the subject matter and your relationship to the parties and the outcome.

4. State whether or not, during the past 10 years, you have been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors) and, if so, give dates, nature of conviction, name and location of court, and penalty imposed or other disposition of the case. A negative answer to this subparagraph need not be included in the proxy statement or other proxy soliciting material.

(c) *Interest in stock of the insurer.* 1. State the amount of each class of stock of the insurer which you own beneficially, directly or indirectly.

2. State the amount of each class of stock of the insurer which you own of record but not beneficially.

3. State with respect to the stock specified in subsection (13) (c) 1. and 2. the amounts acquired within the past 2 years and the dates of acquisition and the amounts acquired on each date.

4. If any part of the purchase price or market value of any of the stock specified in subsection (13)(c) 3. is represented by funds borrowed or otherwise obtained for the purpose of acquiring or holding such stock, so state and indicate the amount of the indebtedness as of the latest practicable date. If such funds were borrowed or obtained otherwise than pursuant to a margin account or bank loan in the regular course of business of a bank, broker or dealer, briefly describe the transaction, and state the names of the parties.

5. State whether or not you are a party to any contracts, arrangements or understandings with any person with respect to any stock of the insurer, including but not limited to joint ventures, loan or option arrangements, puts or calls, guarantees against loss or guarantees of profits, division of losses or profits, or the giving or withholding of proxies. If so, name the persons with whom such contracts, arrangements, or understandings exist and give the details thereof.

6. State the amount of stock of the insurer owned beneficially, directly or indirectly, by each of your associates and the name and address of each such associate.

7. State the amount of each class of stock of any parent, subsidiary or affiliate of the insurer which you own beneficially, directly or indirectly.

(d) *Further matters.* 1. Describe the time and circumstances under which you became a participant in the solicitation and state the nature and extent of your activities or proposed activities as a participant.

2. Describe briefly, and where practicable state the approximate amount of, any material interest, direct or indirect, of yourself and of each of your associates in any material transactions since the beginning of the company's last fiscal year, or in any material proposed transactions, to which the company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates was or is to be a party.

3. State whether or not you or any of your associates have any arrangement or understanding with any person.

a. With respect to any future employment by the insurer or its subsidiaries or affiliates; or

b. With respect to any future transactions to which the insurer or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates will or may be a party. If so, describe such arrangement or understanding and state the names of the parties thereto.

(e) *Signature.* The statement shall be dated and signed in the following manner:

I certify that the statements made in this statement are true, complete, and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of participant or  
authorized representative)

**History:** Cr. Register, November, 1965, No. 119, eff. 12-1-65.

Next page is numbered 201