



PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY
PROPOSAL FORM

laboratories

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING BEFORE

COMPLETING THIS PROPOSAL FORM:

TO PRESENT A CLEAR AND UNAMBIGUOUS PICTURE AND TO ENSURE THAT UNDERWRITERS UNDERSTAND THE NATURE OF YOUR RISK:

- * ALL QUESTIONS SHOULD BE COMPLETED IN INK.**

- * WHERE A QUESTION IS NOT APPLICABLE TO YOUR PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES, PLEASE WRITE 'N/A'.**

- * PLEASE TICK THE YES OR NO BOXES.**

- * IF THERE IS INSUFFICIENT SPACE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS PLEASE USE AN ADDITIONAL SHEET AND ATTACH IT TO THIS PROPOSAL FORM.**

- * COMPLETING AND SIGNING THIS PROPOSAL FORM DOES NOT BIND THE PROPOSER OR INSURERS TO COMPLETE THIS INSURANCE.**

- * IF THIS PROPOSAL RELATES TO A NEW BUSINESS OR VENTURE, PLEASE COMPLETE THE QUESTIONS AS FAR AS POSSIBLE, GIVING ESTIMATED OR ANTICIPATED INFORMATION.**

b) Names of Consultants regularly used	Age and Qualifications	Date Qualified	Number of years Practical Experience
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PLEASE ATTACH DETAILED C.V.'S

c) Do you require cover for past Partners, Principals or Directors? If yes, please provide details	YES/NO
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3a) Is any Individual or the Firm accredited by UKAS or admitted to any Association or Trade Body? If yes, please give details.	YES/NO
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b) Has any person been the subject of disciplinary proceedings by any professional body? If yes, please give details.	YES/NO
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4 Please state the total number of Partners, Principals or Directors:	
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Specialist Staff:	
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Consultants:	
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5 Please provide a description of your business activities in your own words including any specialisations, clarify the type of work normally carried out, whether consisting of well-established techniques or the nature of new and original-thought developments, processes or design employed. State whether and what licensing or similar agreements are in force and the degree to which supervision of them is exercised.

6a) Have there been any major changes in the activities undertaken during the past twelve months or are any likely to take place in the next twelve months? **YES/NO**
If yes, please give details.

b) Is cover required for any activity, now ceased, which is different from those declared, within this proposal form? **YES/NO**
If yes, please give details.

c) Are you involved in the use of or experimentation with innovative testing techniques? **YES/NO**
If yes, please give full details

7 Please list by activity the approximate percentage of work carried out in each instance:

Foodstuffs	%
Materials, Equipment & Products Testing	%
Forensic Science/Pathology	%
Ballistics/Explosives	%
Pollutants & Emissions (Land, Air & Water)	%
Asbestos Analysis, Monitoring & Testing	%
Microbiology/Bacteriology	%
Acoustics	%
Contaminated Land/Soil Analysis	%
Accident Investigation/Health & safety	%
Chemicals	%
Non-destructive Testing	%
Pharmaceuticals	%
Radiation	%
Other (please specify)	%

**PLEASE ATTACH A BROCHURE OR HANDOUT' THAT YOU USE
ALSO PROVIDE YOUR STANDARD CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

8a) Please state the gross fees/turnover received for each of the last three financial years billed to clients and an estimate for the next twelve months.

Year	U.K.	Worldwide ex USA/Canada	USA/Canada
19			
	Turnover		
	Fees		
20			
	Turnover		
	Fees		
20			
	Turnover		
	Fees		
Estimate			
20			
	Turnover		
	Fees		
Financial Year ends:		(Month)	

b) What percentage of fees is paid to sub-contractors or consultants? %

9a) Please list the three largest contracts undertaken in the last three years:

- i)
- ii)
- iii)

b) What is the largest annual income earned from a single client in the last twelve months?

In the case of Overseas contracts, please list the countries involved and whether U K or local law applies. Also, please give brief details of the contract(s) and size.

10a) Do you undertake contracts away from your premises? **YES/NO**

If so, please provide the approximate percentage %

b) Approximately what percentage of samples tested are:

i) taken by your staff, or by consultants working on your behalf? %

ii) supplied by the client? %

c) Do you have any involvement in hazardous or non-hazardous waste product treatment, processing, incineration or disposal? **YES/NO**

If yes, please give full details

11a) When Professional Sub-contractors or Specialist Consultants are engaged, have you, in the past, and will you in the future endeavour to ensure that they are appointed directly by and paid by the client?

YES/NO

b) Have you and will you ensure that such persons or firms have entered into a binding contract accepting full responsibility for their own Professional neglect, error or omission and that they carry and maintain in force Professional Indemnity insurance?

YES/NO

IT IS A CONDITION OF THIS POLICY THAT P I INSURANCE IS MAINTAINED BY THIRD PARTY PROFESSIONALS, TO ALLOW FOR SUBROGATION, IN THE EVENT OF A CLAIM

12 Do you have a standard contract, whose terms and conditions limit your liability? **YES/NO**

PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR STANDARD CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

13a) If you are a member of a consortium or have entered into a joint-venture agreement, please give details.

b) Do you undertake work for or are you associated, either by shareholding or official position, with any company/organisation, where you are in a position to make major decisions? **YES/NO**
If yes, please give details.

c) Have any of the Partners, Principals or Directors been a Partner, Principal or Director or been associated with any business that has ceased trading, either voluntarily or compulsorily?

YES/NO

If yes, please give details

14 Do you wish to consider any of the following extensions?

Loss of Documents **YES/NO**

Unintentional Breach of Confidentiality **YES/NO**

Libel & Slander **YES/NO**

Unintentional Breach of Copyright **YES/NO**

Dishonesty of Employees **YES/NO**

Claims arising from Associated Companies **YES/NO**

15 Do you currently have Professional Indemnity insurance? **YES/NO**

If yes, please give details.

Expiry Date:

Limit:

Excess:

Insurer:

16 Have you ever had any Professional Indemnity insurance cancelled, declined or only written at special terms? **YES/NO**

If yes, please give details.

17 Please state: limit of indemnity required

: self insured excess

18a) Do you always require satisfactory written references when engaging employees? **YES/NO**

b) Is any Partner, Principal, Director or Employee allowed to sign cheques on their sole signature?

YES/NO

If yes, please give details

c) How often are employees who receive cash or cheques, during the course of their duties, required to pay these in?

d) How often are checks carried out on all entries in cash books, with all paying-in books, receipts, counterfoils and vouchers being reconciled with bank statements, including the balance of cash and unrepresented cheques, independently of employees receiving or banking monies, belonging to the Firm or in trust, on behalf of others?

19 Have you EVER had any claims made against you or know of any circumstances that could or would have resulted in a claim, if cover had been in force? YES/NO
If yes, please give full details.

