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RISK APPETITE DIFFERS BETWEEN ORGANIZATIONS, PROJECTS, & STAKEHOLDERS





KNOW WHAT YOU WANT BEFORE YOU ENTER AGREEMENT!



Once you start asking questions, innocence is gone.

Are you asking the right questions?

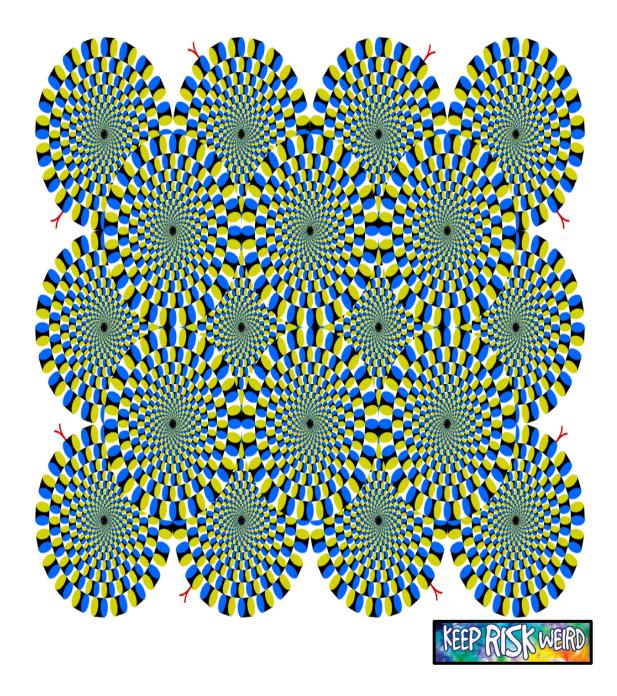
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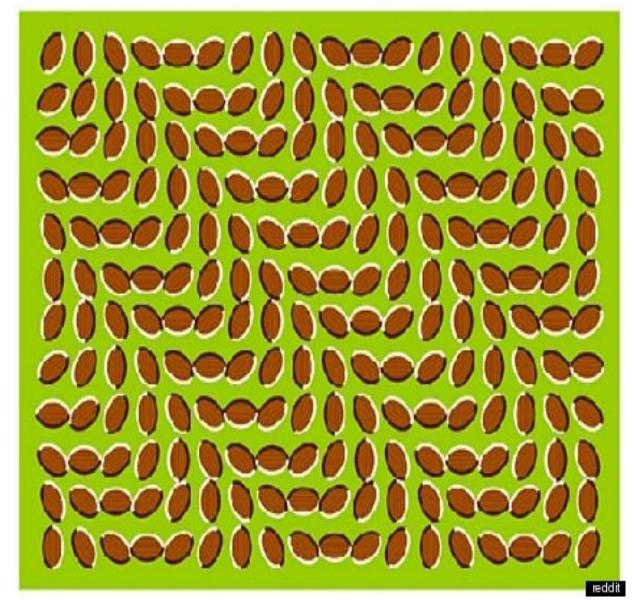
"If I had a world of my own, everything would be nonsense. Nothing would be what it is, because everything would be what it isn't. And contrary wise, what is, it wouldn't be. And what it wouldn't be, it would. You see?" Lewis **Carroll-Alice in Wonderland**





Risk Transfer – What Is It?

- Assigning responsibility for loss and related damages to the contracting party who controls the circumstances that might lead to the loss
- Hold harmless or indemnification clause
- Does NOT absolve you of liability
- Promise of payment in event of a loss
- Only as good as the person making the promise





Contractual Risk Transfer:

The use of contractual obligations such as indemnity and exculpatory agreements (hold harmless), waivers of recovery rights, and insurance requirements to pass along to others what would otherwise be one's own risks of loss. Contracts, Policies, and **Endorsements contain "phrases** and words" that provide the promise of risk transfer.



The reason we're so dangerous is because we're totally harmless. Cheech Marin



Risk Transfer – When To Do It?

Any time you have, or should have, a written agreement with someone

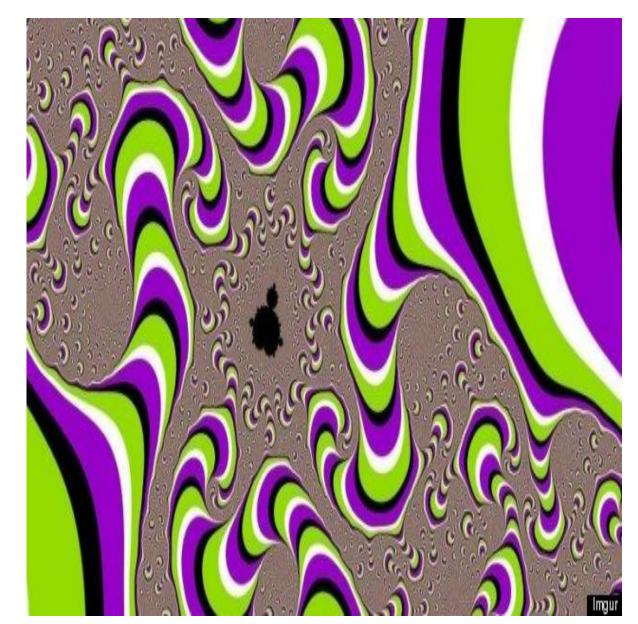
- Construction Projects
- Professional Services
- Outsourced Functions
- Property Leases
- Special Events
- Recreational Activities





Risk Transfer – Why Require Insurance?

- "Hold Harmless & Indemnify" is a promise to not hold you liable as well as cover any damages (injury, property loss) caused by the other contracting party
- Viability of contractor
- > Want coverage under the policy
 - Additional insured status
 - Separate contract providing protection





Which Card is protected? How do you know?





From "Indemnification" to "Additional Insured", and ultimately, covered loss is a "Long Strange Trip"

"Would you tell me, please, which way I ought to go from here?" 'That depends a good deal on where you

want to get to,' said the Cat.

'I don't much care where -' said Alice.

'Then it doesn't matter which way you go,' said the Cat.

'- so long as I get SOMEWHERE,' Alice added as an explanation.

'Oh, you're sure to do that,' said the Cat, 'if you only walk long enough."

— Lewis Carroll, Alice in Wonderland





Statements of Obvious Truth (Weirdness): IT'S ONLY REASONABLE TO ASSUME:

- Contracts are authored with the intention of certain results and effectiveness.
- Contractual requirements are expected to be met by the party agreeing to meet the requirements.
- Contracts should not be signed without a thorough reading and understanding of the obligations to which the parties agree.





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- Compliance should not be assumed and verification left until an event to which the contract applies triggers its interpretation.
- If what you intend to say is different from what you say, then you should say what you intend.
- Not all Additional Insured endorsements are created equal.





Contract Challenges:

- Enforcing agreements with ambiguous language
- Connecting indemnity obligations with specific insurance clause obligations
- Achieving compliance for subtle requirements when the vendor does not understand the requirements and/or has not communicated them to his agent, broker, OR CARRIER.





Additional Insured: Why, and why so important?

- C-E-O (<u>C</u>ontracting <u>E</u>ntity <u>O</u>nly)
- Ongoing and Products/Completed Operations
- "...caused in whole or in part By..."
- Sole Negligence
- Relationships to contractual requirements



Do you really know what you are getting in a contract? "If you drink much from a bottle marked 'poison' it is certain to disagree with you sooner or

later."



What does the coverage say?

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY FORM 33-0361

THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

ADDITIONAL INSURED – PRIMARY & NON-CONTRIBUTORY COVERAGE – AUTOMATIC STATUS WHEN REQUIRED IN CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT WITH YOU

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

- A. Section II Who Is An insured is amended to include as an additional insured any person or organization for whom you are performing operations when you and such person or organization have agreed in writing in a contract or agreement that such person or organization be added as an addtional insured on your policy. Such person or organization is an additional insured only with respect to lability for "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" caused, in whole or in part, by:
- 1. Your acts or omissions; or
- The acts or omissions of those acting on your behalf;
- in the performance of your ongoing operations for the additional insured.

A person's or organization's status as an additional insured under this endorsement ends when your operations for that additional insured are completed.

B. With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insurads, the following additional exclusions apply:

This insurance does not apply to:

 "Bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" arising out of the rendering of, or the failure to render, any professional architectural, engineering or surviving services, including:

- a. The preparing, approving, or failing to propare or approve, maps, shop drawings, opinions, reports, surveys, field orders, change orders or drawings and specifications; or
- Supervisory, inspection, architectural or engineering activities.

 "Bodily injury" or "property damage" occurring after:

- a. All work, including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work, on the project (other than service, maintenance or repairs) to be performed by or on behalf of the additional insured(s) at the location of the covered operations has been completed;
- b. That perior of 'your work' out of which the injury or damage arises has been put to its intended use by any person or organization other than another contractor or subcontractor engaged in performing operations for a principal as a part of the same project.

C. With respect to the insurance afforded the additional insured, pergraph 4, of SECTION IV – COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY CONDITIONS is replaced by the following:

4. Other Insurance

- a. This insurance is primary and noncontributory, as respects any other insurance. The additional insured must notify us as soon as practicable of a claim or an "cocurrence" which may result in a claim.
- b. This provision applies only to these additional insureds and the coverage provided by this endorsement.



Is there any language that you might disagree with?

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Ongoing & Completed Operations

POLICY NUMBER:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY CG 20 10 04 13

THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

ADDITIONAL INSURED – OWNERS, LESSEES OR CONTRACTORS – SCHEDULED PERSON OR ORGANIZATION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

SCHEDULE

Location(s) Of Covered Operations
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- A. Section 8 Who is An Insured is emended to include as an additional insured the person(s) or organization(s) shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to Fability for "bodily injury", "properly damage" or "personal and advertising injury" caused, in whole or in part, by:
- 1. Your acts or omissions; or
- The acts or omissions of those acting on your behalf;

in the performance of your ongoing operations for the additional insured(s) at the location(s) designated above.

However;

- The insurance afforded to such additional insured only applies to the extent permitted by law; and
- If coverage provided to the additional houred is required by a contract or agreement, the insurance afforded to such additional insured will not be broader than that which you are required by the contract or agreement to provide for such additional insured.

B. With respect to the insurance efforded to these additional insureds, the following additional exclusions apply:

This insurance does not apply to "bodily injury" or "property damage" occurring after:

- All work, including materials, parts or equipment furnished is connection with such work, on the project (other than service, maintenance or repairs) to be performed by or on behalf of the additional insures(t) at the location of the covared operations has been completed; or
- That portion of "your work" out of which the injury or damage arises has been put to its intended use by any person or organization other then another contractor or subcontractor engaged in performing operations for a principal as a pair of the same protect.





POLICY NUMBER:

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THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

ADDITIONAL INSURED – OWNERS, LESSEES OR CONTRACTORS – SCHEDULED PERSON OR ORGANIZATION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

SCHEDULE

Name of Person or Organization:

(if no entry appears above, information required to complete this endorsement will be shown in the Declarations as applicable to this endorsement.)

- A. Section II Who is An insured is amended to include as an insured the param or organization shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to liability arising out of your ongoing operations performed for that insured.
- With respect to the insurance atforded to these additional insureds, the following exclusion is added.

2. Exclusions

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(2) That portion of "your work" out of which the injury of damage artess has been port to its intended use by any person or organization offer than another opertractor of subcontractor engaged in performing operations for a principal as a port of the same project.

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Third Party Over Actions ("Action Over" claims):

- Purpose Allocation of Risk
- Practicality relatively misunderstood concept
- Hesitation indemnity of sole-negligence





Insured Contract definition:

- Standard language (part f. of Definition of "Insured Contract")
- New language with significantly limited scope
- Application of insurance coverage limits



Contrariwise, if it was so, it might be; and if it were so, it would be; but as it isn't, it ain't. That's contract logic!



When Notice of Claim or Loss Occurs Making the most of a "Bad Trip"

- Make sure known loss is documented and immediately reported to all stakeholders
- Always refer to contract language and intent
- Seek clarification on basis for dispute(s) about claim ownership and mitigation efforts
- Time is money...resolve as quickly as possible
- Communicate, Communicate, Communicate till resolved



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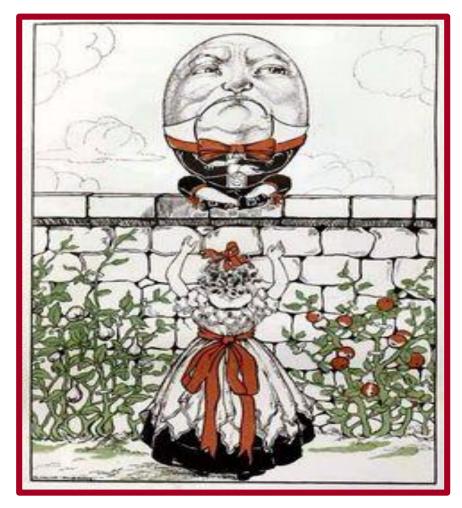
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"When I use a word," Humpty Dumpty said in rather a scornful tone, "it means just what I choose it to mean — neither more nor less." "The question is," said Alice, "whether you can make words mean so many different things." "The question is," said Humpty Dumpty, "which is to be master – – that's all."





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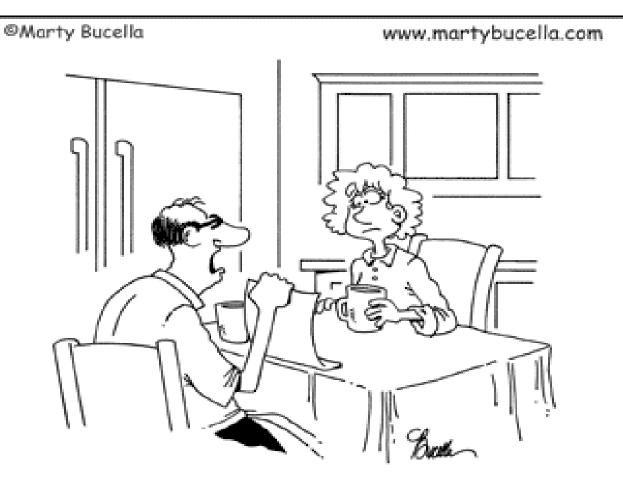
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