
GENERAL LIABILITY AND PROPERTY LOSS CLAIMS POLICY

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PURPOSE

To outline the Policy with respect to General Liability and Property Loss Claims and the application and maintenance of the Metro Vancouver Self-Insurance Fund for general property damage / loss and third party general liability claims.

POLICY

Metro Vancouver carries general property and liability policies to provide general coverage not specifically covered by other insurance policies. These general policies have significant deductibles. Therefore, Metro Vancouver will maintain a Self-Insurance Fund to provide financial security regarding the coverage of loss for general property and general third party liability claims against Metro Vancouver.

This Self-Insurance Fund is available for property claims for the Greater Vancouver Regional District (GVRD), Greater Vancouver Water District (GVWD) and the Greater Vancouver Sewage and Drainage District (GVS&DD). The Metro Vancouver Housing Corporation (MVHC) has its own specific property insurance policy and is therefore excluded.

The fund is available for general liability claims for all the Metro Vancouver entities.

Property Damage or Loss

The GVRD, GVWD and GVS&DD will each directly pay the first \$100,000 for any damage to or loss of property, within its purview, on a per occurrence basis. Any property damage or loss in excess of \$100,000, should the damage or loss exceed that amount, will be funded from this Self-Insurance Fund for an amount not to exceed the general property policy deductible.

For property damage or loss that exceeds the policy deductible, an insurance claim will be filed under the appropriate insurance policy with the applicable carrier with the excess amount to be funded through the insurance policy.

General Liability Claims

Losses resulting from general third-party liability claims against the GVRD, GVWD, GVS&DD and MVHC will all be funded from the Self-Insurance Fund for amounts not to exceed an annual aggregate equal to the general liability insurance policy deductible.

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Should the annual aggregate exceed the policy deductible, an insurance claim will be filed and the excess will be funded through the general liability insurance policy. Should insurance proceeds be received, all claims paid during the years will be proportionately adjusted accordingly.

Claims Settlement / Fund Usage

Any allocation of funding from the Self-Insurance Fund will be made in accordance with the Claims Settlement Authority detailed in the *Risk Management and Claims Settlement Policy*.

Self-Insurance Fund

The Self-Insurance Fund will accumulate funding to approximately \$6.0 million through annual budgeted contributions of \$350,000. These contributions will be made by each of the Metro Vancouver legal entities with each entity's proportionate share determined based on their history of both property and liability claims.

Once the fund reaches \$6.0 million, the fund will be maintained at that amount with annual contributions adjusted accordingly based on any fund usage and required replenishment.

Self-Insurance Fund Authorization

The Board, in accordance to the terms and conditions outlined in this policy, provide authorization for the application of the Self-Insurance Fund.