

THE MALAYSIAN BAR PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY INSURANCE SCHEME EXPLANATORY NOTE FOR YEAR 2008

[This note is based on the rating structure agreed between the Bar Council and the Insurer, Pacific & Orient Insurance Co. Berhad]		
<u>No.</u> 1.	Item Base Premium	Postription For the Policy Year 2008, where Firm has NO Claim Paid: -
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		 The Base Premium of RM 1,300 per practitioner will apply BUT this is subject to maximum increase of 15% on the gross premium incurred by the Firm in 2007;
		 The Base Premium of RM 1,300 per practitioner will apply to newly established practices.
		 For a Practitioner who was a Partner or a Sole Proprietor in their previous Firm and paid separate past practice claims load in 2007, the Base Premium of RM 1,300 per practitione will apply UNLESS Claim has been paid.
2.	Mandatory Limit & Base Excess	 The Mandatory Limit and Base Excess of a Firm are based on the number of Legal Practitioners in the Firm. The minimum Mandatory Limit is RM 250,000 for a single practitioner Firm and the maximum Limit is RM 2,000,000 for a Firm of 36 Practitioners and above. The Base Excess is the amount that each Firm has to bear in respect of payments made be the Insurer to a claimant or Defence Cost.
		All Firms will have the option to lower their Base Excess by 50%, subject to additional premiur payable. Notwithstanding this, provisions of Clause 11 a, b & c of the Certificate of Insurance w apply.
3.	Claims Loading	Applicable to ALL claims paid by Insurers after 1-1-2006;
	For 2008	2. For 2008, calculated as EITHER 5% of claims paid OR 5 x 2008 Base Premium, whicheve
		 is lower. 3. Further subject to maximum cap of 25% of amount paid by Insurers for that particular claim 4. 25% Cap to apply over 5 years and takes into account any claims loads paid for that particular claim by the Firm in 2005, 2006 & 2007.
		Example:
		Firm A has 100 Practitioners & a claim paid on 1-2-2006 for RM 2 million. Firm A's Base Premium is = 1,300 x 100 = 130,000.
		 2008 Claims Loading: Either 5% of RM2million = RM 100,000 OR 5 x 130,000 = RM 650,000 whichever is lower. For 2008, the applicable claims loading is RM 100,000 as it's lower; AND
		 For 2008, the applicable claims loading is RM 100,000 as it's lower, AND The maximum claims loading payable for the RM 2 million claim paid is RM 500,000.00 over period of 5 years. This is to be added to the Firm's Base Premium
		Where Firm A has NOT paid any claims loads prior to 2007:
		Claims loading payable for 2008 is RM 100,000; This loading payable for 2008 is RM 100,000;
		 Firm A's Base Premium is = RM 130,000 Total premium payable for 2008 is RM 230,000 + GST
		 Where Firm A has PAID claims loads in past: Take into account loadings paid in years 05,06,and 07 for that claim, if any. Example the claims loadings paid in past 3 years was RM 250,000.
		 Maximum claims loading for this claim is RM 500,000; Taking into account what was paid in the past, the remaining claims loading payable for this paid claim is RM 250,000 spread over 5 years. Premium payable:
		 Claims loading payable for 2008 is RM 50,000; Firm A's Base Premium is = RM 130,000;
		■ Total premium payable for 2008 is RM 180,000 + GST
4.	Notification of Claims and/or Circumstance	Members are encouraged to notify JLT when they become aware of any Circumstand that may lead to a claim or a Claim or a Letter of Demand. Your premium will not be affected until and unless a payment has been made on that Notification.
		Firms are required to comply with the COI and notify claims/circumstances to JLT as soon a practicable BUT
		 No later than 60 days from the time of awareness of such claim/circumstance.
		Please refer to Clause 14 of the 2008 COI.