

Insurance Council
BRITISH COLUMBIA

Annual Licence Renewal

Agency/Firm and Individual Licences

March 2023



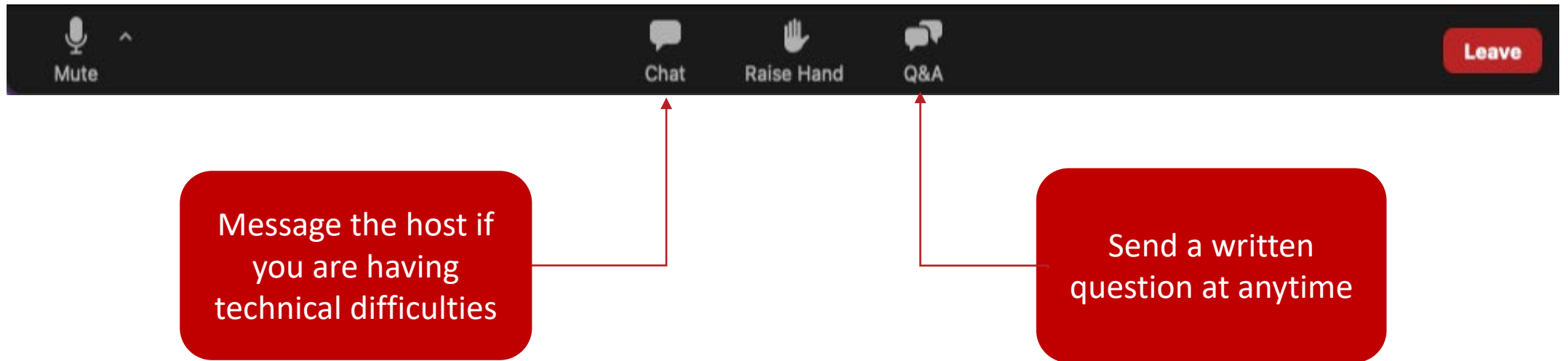
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Webinar Tips

Using the Q&A and chat: Use the Q&A function to submit a question and Chat to Panelists if you need technical support.

We will post relevant links in the Chat.



What We'll Cover:



- Overview of annual licence renewal requirements
- Step-by-step process for individual licence
- Step-by-step process for agency/firm licence
- Payment
- Frequently asked questions
- Q&A

Annual Licence Renewal Requirements



Annual Licence Renewal Requirements

- **Who needs to renew?**

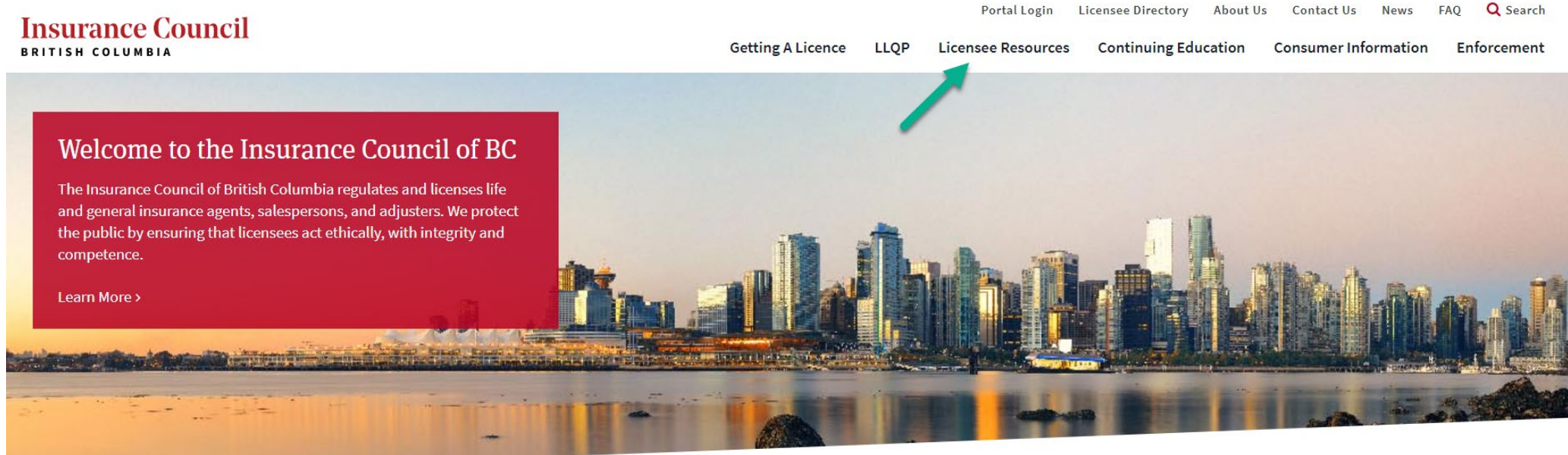
- An annual licence renewal is required for every licence that is held with the Insurance Council (individual or agency/firm), regardless of active, inactive or suspended status.

- **When does the renewal period start and end?**

- Annual licence renewal will open on March 31st, 2023 and the deadline to submit the payment is June 1st, 2023.
- The late renewal period runs until Tuesday August 1st, 2023.

Annual Licence Renewal Requirements

- **New for 2023 Annual Licence Renewal – amendments to Rule 4(4)**
 - Licensees must meet CE and E&O requirements before they can renew



Annual Licence Renewal Requirements

Home > Licensee Resources

Insurance Licensee Resources

Council is here to help. Your insurance licensee resources include compliance information such as licensee responsibilities; council rules; continuing education; disciplinary decisions and process; and other useful information for licensed individuals, partnerships, or corporations in BC.

Council makes every effort to keep insurance licensee resources regularly updated. Please check back often.

Council Rules and Code of Conduct

Review or download the most current Council Rules and Code of Conduct, including licence conditions, and other licensee responsibilities.



Guidelines

Review various guidelines on what is required of licensees.



Continuing Education Program

Review continuing education requirements for all insurance licence classes; keeping continuing education records; and what to do if there's a continuing education audit.



Errors and Omissions Insurance

Review licensee Errors and Omissions Insurance requirements, including minimum coverage amounts, policy limits, and any specific insurance licence class requirements.



Notifications to Council

Find out when you must notify Council of a change of circumstance for you or your business — including if you file for bankruptcy, or if your business changes ownership, its name, or its address.



Annual Licence Renewal

See how and when to renew your licence, including compliance information; fee schedules; payment deadlines; and other annual reporting licensee responsibilities.



Annual Licence Renewal Requirements

- **What is required for an annual licence renewal?**
 - Confirming awareness and compliance with licensing requirements (Declaration)
 - The annual licence renewal fee
- **What is the annual licence renewal fee?**

	If paid by June 1, 2023	If paid after June 1 and by August 1, 2023
Individual	\$285	\$285 + \$200 late fee
Agency/Firm	\$525	\$525 + \$350 late fee

Annual Licence Renewal Requirements

- **Where to submit the declaration and fee?**
 - All annual licence renewal declarations and fees are submitted via the online portal.
- **Why is annual licence renewal required?**
 - It is a requirement under Council Rule 4(4) for continuous licensing.
 - Licences will be automatically cancelled if the fee is not received by Tuesday August 1st, 2023.

Individual Licence Renewal Step-by-Step



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Annual Licence Renewal Instructions

Annual Licence Renewal

Online licence renewal for 2023 is now open. Submitting your annual licence renewal online consists of several steps; the instructions below will show you the steps to expect. This process will take approximately 15 minutes.

Please use the buttons in the portal to navigate from screen to screen and avoid using your browser buttons.

Please note that you must confirm you have met your CE credits and have the required E&O insurance BEFORE you are able to proceed to renew your licence, in line with Council Rule 4(4).

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Personal information provided by you to the Insurance Council of British Columbia is collected, used, and disclosed in compliance with the provisions of the *Financial Institutions Act* and *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

See our 2023 Annual Licence Renewal Page for [detailed instructions](#) and [more information](#).

Proceed to Annual Licence Renewal

What You Need to Know

- The deadline to complete your annual licence renewal is **June 1, 2023**. The renewal deadlines is the same for all licence types and classes.
- Annual licence renewal applies to all licensees, regardless of licence status (*active, inactive, suspended*) and **must be completed for each individual and agency/firm licence type**.
- You must have met your annual CE requirements for your licence class **before** you renew your licence. During the renewal process, you will be asked to declare that you have done so in order to proceed.
- Corporate licensees and individual life and/or accident & sickness agents are required to declare they meet E&O insurance requirements.
- Even if your agency or firm is paying your renewal fee, 1) **you are still responsible for submitting your annual licence renewal declarations**, and 2) **you are responsible for ensuring the renewal fee is received by the Insurance Council**.

Step 1: Start Renewal Process

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Step 2: Review/Update Contact Information

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Contact Information Verification

Licenseses have an obligation to provide notification to the Insurance Council of BC of a change in contact information.

Please confirm that your contact information is up to date by selecting "Yes".

If you are unsure or need to make a change to your contact information, please select "No", and then click on the link provided to update your contact information before proceeding with your annual licence renewal.

☐ Yes ☒ No

Before completing your annual licence renewal you must review your contact information and update as necessary. To review and update your contact information click [here](#).

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Update Contact Information

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Contact Information

A Cup of Tea Insurance Agency Ltd.

Email: acupoftea@tea.com
Home Phone: 604-123-4567

[Manage Addresses](#)
[Edit Contact](#)

Camomile Chai

Birth Date: 12/25/1984
Email: camy@tea.com
Home Phone: 604-123-4567

[Manage Addresses](#)
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☒ Yes ☐ No

[Continue](#)



Step 3: Select Payment Preference

Payment Options

PAYMENT OPTIONS

* I have an agreement with my agency/firm that they will pay for this renewal: ☒ Yes ☐ No

Continue »



Payment Options

PAYMENT OPTIONS

* I have an agreement with my agency/firm that they will pay for this renewal: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Continue »



Step 4: Practice Questions

To help the Insurance Council offer more effective services and technology, we are asking a few questions about licensees' practice that will allow the Insurance Council to better understand licensees' needs and business environment.

Providing this information is entirely optional, but is encouraged as it will help us develop appropriate practice tools and resources for licensee support.

Practice Information (Optional)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Is Insurance your primary occupation? [?](#)

☐ Yes ☐ No

Do you offer clients a self-serve or online sales option where clients are able to purchase, transact, or amend their coverage themselves?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Do you interact or work directly with clients/insureds?

☐ Yes ☐ No

AREAS OF INSURANCE PRACTICE

What are your areas of insurance practice / insurance specialization? (Select all that apply)



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Step 5: Review Authority to Represent (ATR) Information

* indicates a required field.

Active Agencies/Firms Represented List

ACTIVE ATR

Please review the authorization to represent information that the Insurance Council has on file for you. If any of the information displayed here requires updating, this can be done, by the agency/firm you represent, via the corporate portal account or by submitting an Add/Remove ATR form to the licensing team. Please refer to our **Holding Out (Authority to Represent)** section on our website for more information. You cannot update this information through your portal account.

If your current agency/firm that you represent is not listed, they will not be able to submit payment for your annual renewal fee on your behalf, but you can still complete your renewal declaration now.

Please click Continue to proceed with your annual renewal.

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Employer Name	Effective Date
Cup of Tea Insurance Agency Ltd.	03/01/2021

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Step 6: Confirming Awareness and Compliance with Licensing Requirements (Declarations)

Individual Declaration

By submitting this annual renewal declaration, I confirm that:

☒ I understand and am aware of my obligations under the Council Rules and the Code of Conduct. [?](#)

☒ I have met my Continuing Education requirements for the licence period June 1, 2022 to May 31, 2023 as required on or before May 31, 2023. [?](#)

- OR -

☐ I have met my Continuing Education requirements for the licence period June 1, 2022 to May 31, 2023 but did not complete them on or before May 31, 2023. [?](#)

- OR -

☐ I am licensed in my home jurisdiction, which has annual Continuing Education requirements that I am meeting as required; OR I am licensed in my home jurisdiction and I have met Insurance Council of BC Continuing Education requirements for the licence period June 1, 2022 to May 31, 2023. [?](#)

☒ Where required, I have submitted all mandatory disclosures to Insurance Council. [?](#)



Step 7: Review and Submit

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Individual Licence Filing

Please review information below. If any updates are needed, click Edit beside the section requiring updates. Once review is complete click Continue at the bottom.

Payment Options

PAYMENT OPTIONS

I have an agreement with my agency/firm that they will pay for this renewal:

Edit



Practice Information (Optional)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Edit

Step 8: Confirmation



Your annual licence renewal declaration has been submitted, **but your annual licence renewal is not yet complete**

As you indicated that your agency or firm will be paying the renewal fee on your behalf, **it is your responsibility to ensure that your agency or firm submits the fee by the deadline.**

After your agency or firm has submitted your payment, you can confirm that your renewal is complete by selecting *View my licence record(s)* from the main menu. Your next renewal date will display as June 1, 2024. This renewal date will also be displayed on your licence certificate and the public Licensee Directory.

You can access a copy of your submitted declaration from the portal main menu by selecting *Declaration Summary Report*

Paying your own renewal fee instead? Please select *View my licence record(s) and pay fees* from the portal main menu, and click on *Pay Fee Due for Renewal*.

Agency/Firm Annual Licence Renewal Step-by-Step



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Step 2: Select Payment Preference

Payment Options

Renewal

* I would like to include ☒ Yes ☐ No
this renewal fee in a
bulk payment.:

Continue »

Payment Options

Renewal

* I would like to include ☐ Yes ☒ No
this renewal fee in a
bulk payment.:

Continue »

Step 3: Practice Questions

Step 4: Declaration

Corporate Declaration

By submitting this annual renewal declaration, I confirm that:

- ☒ I understand and am aware of the agency/firm's obligations under the Council Rules and the Code of Conduct. [?](#)

- ☒ The agency/firm is covered by errors and omissions insurance as required under Council Rule 7(11). [?](#)

- ☒ The agency has a written agreement/authorization with at least one insurer authorized to do business in British Columbia, not including Insurance Corporation of British Columbia, where required [?](#)

- ☒ Where required, I have submitted all of the agency/firm's mandatory disclosures to Insurance Council. [?](#)



Step 5: Review and Submit

Step 6: Confirmation



Your renewal declaration has been submitted!

NOTE: From the main menu, please select List and manage bulk payments to process your renewal payment. This annual renewal is not complete until the payment has been received by the Insurance Council.

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Payments



List and Manage Bulk Renewal Payments

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Payment Items (2) Logout

Download/export selected | Add to Payment Items

Quick Search

Your selection has been added to cart.

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View/Edit Payment Items

Click on the arrow in front of a row to display additional information.

PAY NOW

-

2 Fee(s) | \$810.00

▶ Life Licence - Individual
LIC-2023-0039632-R01

▶ Life Licence - Corporate
LIC-2023-0039633-R01

Total due: \$285.00

Total due: \$525.00

Total amount to be paid: \$810.00

Pay Fees

Edit Payment Items »

Return to Account Details

Payment Confirmation



Your payment has been successfully submitted.

Note: If you made a payment for renewal then your next renewal date will display as June 1, 2024, both on your licence certificate and on the public Licensee Directory. You can download or print a copy of your updated licence certificate by selecting *View/print my licence certificate* from the portal main menu.

Receipts for fees you have paid via online portal are available in your portal account by selecting *View/Print my receipts* from the main menu.

You can also access a copy of your submitted declaration from the portal main menu by selecting *Declaration Summary Report*.

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Annual Licence Renewal Questions



Let's Work Together



- Get started early! We're here to help.
- Don't hesitate to use the *I've forgotten my password* button. A portal account will lock after 10 incorrect password attempts and we will need to unlock it.
- We recommend using a personal email for your portal account, but your work email in your contact information.
- Every licensee already has a portal account and does not need to register for a new one.



Declaration or Practice Questions?

For practice or regulatory related inquiries:

View Licensee Resources on our **website**:

www.insurancecouncilofbc.com

Email us:

practice@insurancecouncilofbc.com

Call us:

604-695-2008 (or toll free at 1-877-688-0321)
and press 3



Licensing Questions

For licensing inquiries:

Email us:

licensing@insurancecouncilofbc.com

Call us:

604-695-2007 (or toll free at 1-877-688-0321)
and press 2



Any other questions?

For portal-related inquiries:

Call us:

604-688-0321 (or toll free at 1-877-688-0321)
and press 6 for portal support

Email us: portal@insurancecouncilofbc.com



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Upcoming Webinars



Annual Renewal Webinars

- Individual Licensee Renewal – March 28 @ 9am PDT

Continuing Education Requirements & Guidelines

- March 23 @ 12:00pm PDT

These webinars will also be recorded and/or available to view on demand later in March – check out our website to register and/or view the recordings.

Thank you for
joining us

