Quick Tips: Property Insurance

REFERENCE
University of California Property Self-Insurance Program (Business & Finance Bulletin BUS-28A)

COVERAGE
Coverage for direct loss under this program is extended to property owned by or in the care, custody, and control of the Regents, regardless of location and while in transit when the loss is caused by covered perils. The Program also covers ancillary specified costs directly attributable to physical loss and destruction of covered property at the order of civil authority to prevent spread of fire. Coverage is extended worldwide for all risks of direct physical loss or damage from an external cause except as noted under Exclusions.

PROPERTY COVERED
1) Buildings & appurtenant structures owned or for which responsibility has been assumed by written agreement.
2) Equipment, including the fire box of any fired vessel, farm equipment, and supplies in University care, custody, and control.
3) Library contents and collections, including bound volumes, current serials, manuscripts, maps, micro copies, pictorial items, recordings, and other media.
4) University animals used for teaching and research activities whose value is represented by market acquisition cost of a consumable supply; for accidental death only.
5) Fine arts not insured under the Fine Arts Insurance Program (see Quick Tips: Fine Arts Insurance).
6) Goods in transit within the continental United States and Canada valued up to $100,000 per shipment, excluding movement by the U.S. Postal Service.

PERILS COVERED
All risks of physical loss or damage from external cause except as noted under Exclusions.

EXCLUSIONS
See following page for Property Not Covered and Perils Not Covered.

SECURING COVERAGE
Coverage is automatic for property owned by The Regents or in the care, custody, and control of The Regents through a written agreement except as noted under Exclusions.

PREMIUMS
Coverage is automatic and no premiums are charged to University departments. Auxiliary enterprises are charged an annual premium that is calculated by OP Risk Management based on previous losses and property owned. Departments have the option to “buy-down” (reduce) the theft deductibles by enrolling in the Property Theft Buydown Insurance Program (see Quick Tips: Property Theft “Buy-Down” Insurance).

DEDUCTIBLES
1) $5,000 per occurrence for water damage (90% of claim funded for losses in excess of $50,000).
2) $5,000 per occurrence for fire.
3) $1,000 per occurrence for forced-entry theft.
4) $5,000 per occurrence for non-forced entry theft.
5) $250 for losses occurring during transit. If the carrier pays all or a portion of the claim, the self-insurance program will pay the remaining amount of claim with no deductible applied.
6) $1,000 per occurrence for all other covered losses.

CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION
The campus Risk Management office investigates and processes all claims in conjunction with the Office of the President Risk Management.

FILING CLAIMS & FILING DEADLINES
1) Use the UC Property Loss Report and the UC Property Loss Summary of Costs to report damage to or loss of University property. See filing deadlines on face of UC Property Loss Report.
2) Use the Report of Transit Loss to report damage to or loss of University property in transit (see Quick Tips: Transit Risk Insurance).
3) Use the Report of Vehicle Accident to report damage to or loss of University vehicle (see Quick Tips: Auto Physical Damage Insurance and Quick Tips: Automobile Liability Insurance).

FUNDING CLAIMS
Campus Risk Management will request funding for repair or replacement from OP Risk Management after claim filing requirements have been met. OP Risk Management reimburses the appropriate campus account from the University’s Property Self-Insurance Program.

FORMS
UC Property Loss Report
UC Property Loss Summary of Costs

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PROPERTY NOT COVERED

1. Property specifically insured under a commercial insurance policy, except the applicable deductible contained in policies covering boilers and pressure vessels.

2. Property belonging to an individual (e.g., employee, faculty, or student).

3. Automobiles, trucks, vans, buses, motorcycles, motor scooters, water craft, aircraft, spacecraft, satellites, or any other conveyance, including permanently attached contents (except when in storage inside a UC facility).

4. Property federally financed for which the University does not possess title and has no care, custody, or control assumed under written agreement.

5. Property of faculty clubs.

6. Products of University research.

7. Sewers, curbs, walkways, underground pipe (except electrical conduit), trees, shrubs, plants, lawns, growing crops, land, water, standing timber, buildings in the course of construction prior to beneficial occupancy, excavations, grading, tilling activities, underground foundations, pilings in water, concrete, masonry bridges, dams, culverts, and earth work bulkheads when no part of a building.

8. In case of water damage, the source causing the damage, such as broken water main or pipes.

9. In case of water damage, the interior of a building if damaged is caused by rain or snow whether or not driven by windstorm or hail unless the force of the windstorm or hail results in actual visual damage to the roof or walls.

10. Loss or damage of data for any reason, including from error in programming or instructing the machine, error in design, data erasure caused by or resulting from magnetic injury or electrical disturbances, system intrusion, or loss of data from use of unauthorized software.

11. Accounts, bills, currency, deeds, evidence of debt, money, notes, securities, or similar valuables, except as they may be converted to data processing media form, and then only in that form; or any data processing media which cannot be replaced commercially with other of like, kind, and quality.

12. Electronic data processing property rented or leased to others.

13. Fine arts in transit and goods in transit valued over $100,000 per shipment, household moves, and foreign shipments. (See Quick Tips: Fine Arts Insurance and Quick Tips: Transit Risk Insurance).

PERILS NOT COVERED

1. Wear, tear, deterioration, rust or corrosion, mold, wet or dry rot, inherent or latent defect, faulty workmanship, mechanical breakdown, malfunction, derangement, misalignment, deferred maintenance, inherent vice, insects, vermin, or delay.

2. Dryness or dampness of atmosphere, freezing, static electricity, or other extremes or sudden change of temperature.

3. Earthquake, landslide, mudflow, or any other earth movement unless loss by fire or explosion ensues.

4. Flood, surface water, waves, tidal water and waves, overflow streams or other bodies of water, breaking of boundaries of natural or man-made bodies of water, water which backs up through sewers or drains, water below the surface of the ground which exerts pressure or flows, seeps or leaks, or spray from any of the foregoing.

5. In case of water damage, continuous or repeated seepage or leakage of water or steam from within a plumbing, heating or air conditioning, or fire sprinkler system which occurs over period of weeks, months, or years.

6. In case of water damage, lack of incoming electricity, fuel, water, gas, steam or refrigerant caused by an occurrence off the premises.

7. Unexplained or mysterious disappearance of any property (including money or securities), or shortage disclosed on taking inventory.

8. Explosion, rupture or bursting of any fired boiler, pressure vessel, or electric steam generator, except fire box, unless fire or water damage ensues, and then only for ensuing damage, subject to limits of coverage.

9. Loss or damage from mechanical breakdown, blowout, short circuit, or other electrical disturbance within any electrically equipped property unless fire ensues and then for such loss or damage caused by the fire only.

10. Business interruption expense, loss of income, cost of temporary replacement equipment, or other indirect costs associated with occurrence of a covered peril, except as ancillary specified costs.

11. Loss or damage to electronic data processing property caused by delay, loss of market, or business interruption in.

12. Loss or damage sustained due to any process or while property is actually being worked on and therefore resulting from any repairing, restoration, or retouching process.

13. Loss or damage sustained by underwater exposure including equipment over-the-side whether tethered or not.

14. Loss caused by any dishonest act by any person to whom the covered property may be entrusted, carriers for hire excepted.

15. Loss or damage of data for any reason, including error in programming/instructing the machine, system intrusion, design error, data erasure caused by or resulting from magnetic injury or electrical disturbances, or data loss from use of unauthorized software.

16. Loss or damage caused by or resulting from theft from unattended University vehicles or vehicles operated on University business unless such vehicles are equipped with fully enclosed bodies of good construction, fitted with locks standard to the particular make and type of vehicle, and at the time of such theft or attempted theft, the windows and doors of the vehicles are securely closed and locked and such theft or attempted theft is carried out by evidence of forcible entry.

17. Loss or damage from hostile or war-like actions.

18. Loss or damage caused by nuclear hazards as outlined under the terms and conditions of a standard commercial, all risk insurance policy.

19. Loss or damage from any fraudulent, dishonest, or criminal act(s) committed alone or in collusion with others by any employee, officer, director, partner, trustee, or any other authorized representative of The Regents or others to whom the property may be entrusted, carriers for hire excepted.

20. Asbestos material removal unless the asbestos itself incurs a direct physical loss or damage caused by fire, lightning, explosion, windstorm or hail, smoke, aircraft or vehicle contact, riot or civil commotion, vandalism or fire protection systems leakage.

21. Loss or damage caused by, resulting from, contributed to or made worse by actual, alleged or threatened release, discharge, escape or dispersal of contaminants or pollutants. Ensuing fire damage is not excluded.

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