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Understanding Insurance for Common Interest Developments

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The Certificate of Insurance is a summary of coverage in place for the community, and a resource for owners in a real estate transaction

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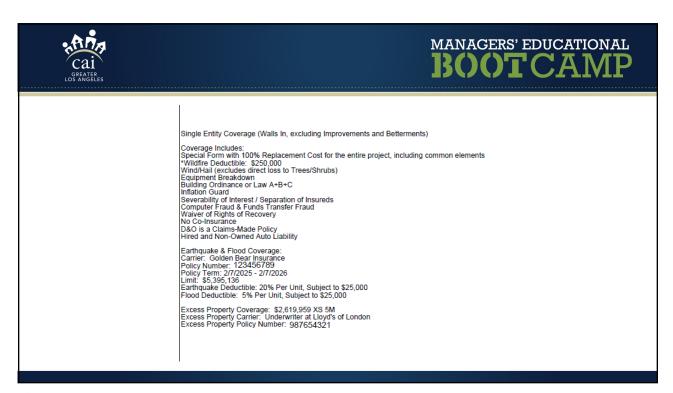
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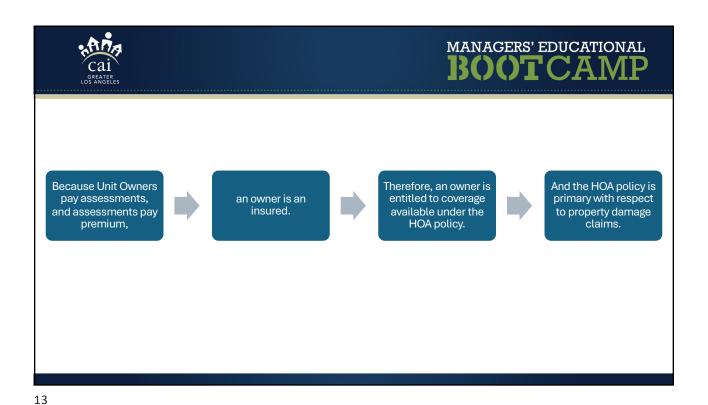
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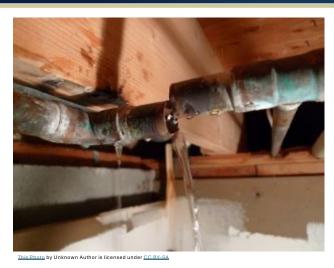
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Bare walls: Stand in the threshold of your front door. Put one hand on the building, and the other on the inside wall. Coverage is provided for everything between your palms. All interior finishes are insured by the unit owner.





Water intrusion protocols can be an easy way to explain to unit owners their responsibility in the event of a water loss

Keep in mind that insurance responsibility and repair/maintenance responsibility are two different things

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What do you do if you receive a threat of legal action?



Notify legal counsel

Contact Agent/Broker to discuss tendering to insurance carrier

Follow the advice of your experts





REQUEST FOR RESOLUTION

- Claim Triggering Coverage
 - GL Claim
 - D&O Claim
- Put Carrier on Notice?
- Tender Claim?

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Directors and Officers Liability Insurance Policy Forms

Claims Made

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Claims Made and Reported

The carrier in place when the claim is made is the one that responds, but the claim needs to be reported to the carrier during the same policy term in which the claim was made, or within 60-days of expiration of that policy





FIDELITY/CRIME LOSS CLAIMS

- Strict Carrier Notice Requirement
 - · Dictated by terms of policy
 - Typically 60 days from "discovery of loss"
 - "Discovery of Loss" Objective Standard
- Sworn Proof of Loss
 - Typically 90 to 120 days from Discovery of Loss
 - Must prove theft Missing or Unaccounted Funds are not Enough
- Contact Attorney/Agent Upon Suspicion of Theft

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Real-World Insights

- Coordinating with Insurance and Legal Teams
 - Always involve your insurance broker and legal counsel early—especially when a claim or legal threat arises.
 - Maintain a contact sheet with after-hours numbers for urgent claims like water intrusion or fire.
- Managing Owner Expectations
 - Clearly explain what the HOA policy covers versus what homeowners must insure themselves (e.g., HO-6 policies).
 - Use visual aids or analogies (like the "flip the unit" method) to help owners understand coverage types.
- · Documentation is Your Best Defense
 - Keep detailed records of maintenance, inspections, and all communications.
 - Use incident logs and photo documentation for all reported issues, especially water damage or slip-and-falls.
- Claims Handling Tips
 - Submit claims promptly and follow up regularly with adjusters.
 - Track all correspondence and decisions in a centralized system such as HOA management software.



Practical Risk Management from the Field

· Vendor Oversight

- · Require vendors to submit updated Certificates of Insurance (COIs) annually with proper endorsements.
- · Verify that vendors carry workers' compensation and general liability insurance—even for small jobs.

Preventative Maintenance

- Schedule regular inspections of roofs, plumbing, and foundations to prevent costly claims.
- Address minor issues before they escalate into major insurance events.
- Conduct Annual Meetings of owner responsibility/HOA Welcome Packet

Board Education

- Provide annual training on insurance basics and fiduciary responsibilities.
- Encourage board members to ask questions and consult professionals before making insurance decisions.

Emergency Preparedness

- Maintain an emergency response plan for natural disasters, including insurance contact protocols.
- Conduct annual drills or tabletop exercises with the board and key vendors.

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Appointed to represent the product offerings of a specific insurance carrier.

State Farm Agent, Farmers Insurance Agent In most cases, are limited to the offerings of the carrier with which they are appointed.

Access available carriers on behalf of a client to find coverage for various lines of insurance. Cannot access carriers such as State Farm and Farmers



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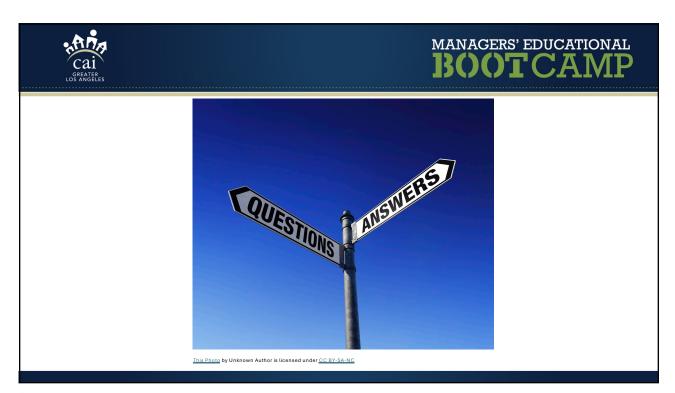


Common Interest Development Insurance Specialist

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