



# Geoscientists

**Protect yourself and your business from risks when assessing, surveying and investigating geologic systems.**

Victor's professional liability insurance program for geoscientists protects firms offering professional services against claims or allegations of professional negligence on the part of the business owner or the firm's employees.

## Why buy this product?

With over 50 years of experience, Victor has been a trusted name in professional liability and construction insurance. As a leading provider of professional liability insurance for geoscientists, we bring a long-term commitment to this market and a high level of expertise in both underwriting and claims management.

As a Victor policyholder, you can take advantage of the following value-added services which were created with the needs of geoscientists in mind:

- Risk Management Program with ability to earn premium credits where available:
  - › eLearning
  - › Webcasts and Webinars
  - › Advisories and Bulletins
- Pre-claim Assistance
- Contract Review Services
- Claims Examples

## Who will benefit?

**Geoscientists in private practice** who offer professional services, such as consulting services including investigation, surveys and feasibility studies in various earth sciences like geology, geophysics, geochemistry and environmental geoscience.

## What are the coverage agreements?

- Payment of damages which the insured is legally liable to pay as a result of claims arising out of an error, omission or negligent act in the performance of professional services
- Duty to defend claims seeking damages payable under the policy (worldwide)
- Coverage for services rendered and claims made anywhere in the world
- Limits of liability are not eroded by claims expenses (worldwide)
- Expense reimbursement
- Disciplinary action
- Breach of confidentiality
- Libel and slander
- Crisis event expenses
- Intellectual property infringement
- Pollution liability

## What are the coverage details?

- Coverage is written on a claims-made and reported basis
- Full prior acts coverage from establishment of firm
- Annual and two-year policy period; premium paid in annual instalments
- Guaranteed fixed premium for the policy term

## What are the policy features?

- Excess coverage over separately insured projects (not insured through Victor)
- Automatic 30-day extended reporting period
- Automatic coverage for newly created or acquired firms
- Design-build coverage
- Asbestos coverage
- Mould coverage
- Non-cancellable except for non-payment of premium
- Automatic waiver of subrogation rights if there is a written agreement in place that waives such rights

## Deductible

- First Dollar Defence (deductible applicable to damages only; worldwide)
- Aggregate deductible
- Split damages deductible
- Deductible reduction for claims settled as a result of a mediation process or if specific risk management conditions have been met
- Automatic Difference in Deductible Reimbursement for project specific professional liability policies, sublimit \$250,000

## How are claims handled?

Victor's highly specialized team of claims analysts, adjusters and legal counsel ensures that claims are managed proactively throughout the entire life of a claim.

## What other insurance solutions do we offer?

- Builders Risk and Wrap-Up Liability
- Commercial General Liability
- Commercial Property Insurance
- Commercial Umbrella Liability
- Crime Insurance
- Directors & Officers Liability
- Employment Practices Liability
- Environmental & Pollution Liability
- Errors & Omissions
- Fiduciary Liability
- Group and Retiree Benefits
- Technology and Cyber Liability

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