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Cyber strategies for Builders Risk

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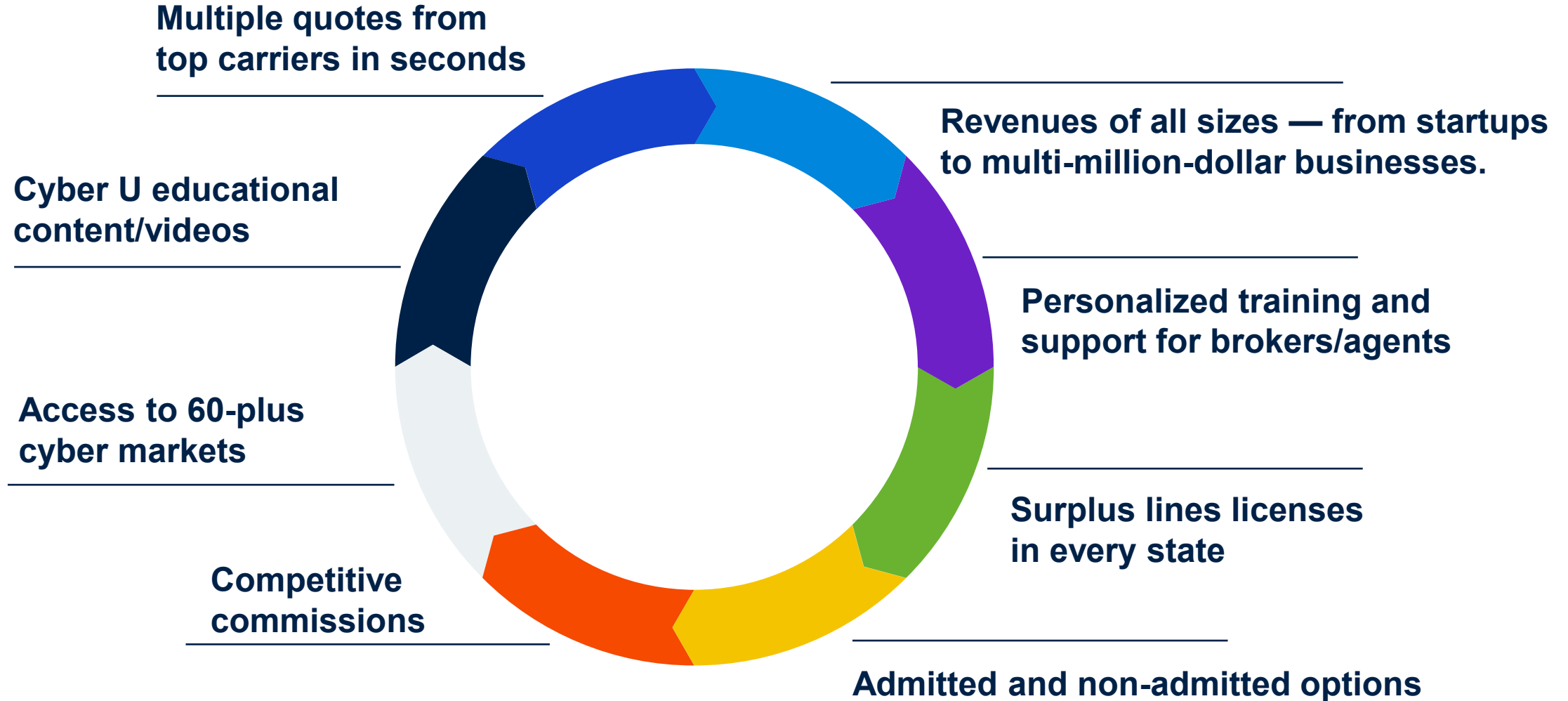
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Agenda

Who is ProWriters?



ProWriters benefits



Builders Risk Exposures



Social Engineering & Invoice Manipulation

Social engineering and invoice manipulation are major cyber threats in the builders risk space, where fast-moving projects, frequent change orders, and many third-party vendors create opportunity for fraud.

Criminals spoof or compromise contractor/subcontractor emails to submit fraudulent payment requests, “update” vendor banking details, or push fake change-order invoices. They may also impersonate executives to create urgency and redirect wire transfers, causing funds intended for legitimate project costs to be sent to criminal accounts.

Impact:

- Direct financial loss
- Delayed projects
- Disputes with clients/subcontractors



Ransomware

Ransomware is a significant cyber threat in the builders risk space because construction depends on constant system access to keep projects moving and payments flowing.

Attackers encrypt critical systems and files, which can stop project operations by locking accounting platforms and preventing payroll and accounts payable processing. Outages can also disrupt field communications, delaying schedules, increasing costs, and straining contractor and subcontractor coordination.

Potential consequences:

- Downtime
- Revenue loss
- Recovery costs
- Extortion demands



Third-Party Vendor Risk

Third-party and supply chain exposure is a major cyber threat in the builders risk space because construction projects rely on a broad network of subcontractors and outside service providers.

Attackers often gain access through someone else—compromising a subcontractor, managed IT provider, payroll vendor, cloud software provider, or project management platform—and then using that connection to infiltrate systems, steal data, or disrupt operations across the project ecosystem.

Potential consequences:

- Misrouted or stolen payments
- Project delays
- Payroll/AP shutdowns
- Data exposure and recovery costs



Data Breach & Privacy Events

Sensitive information contractors hold:

- Employee data
- Banking information
- Client records
- Tax forms
- Project documentation

Costs include:

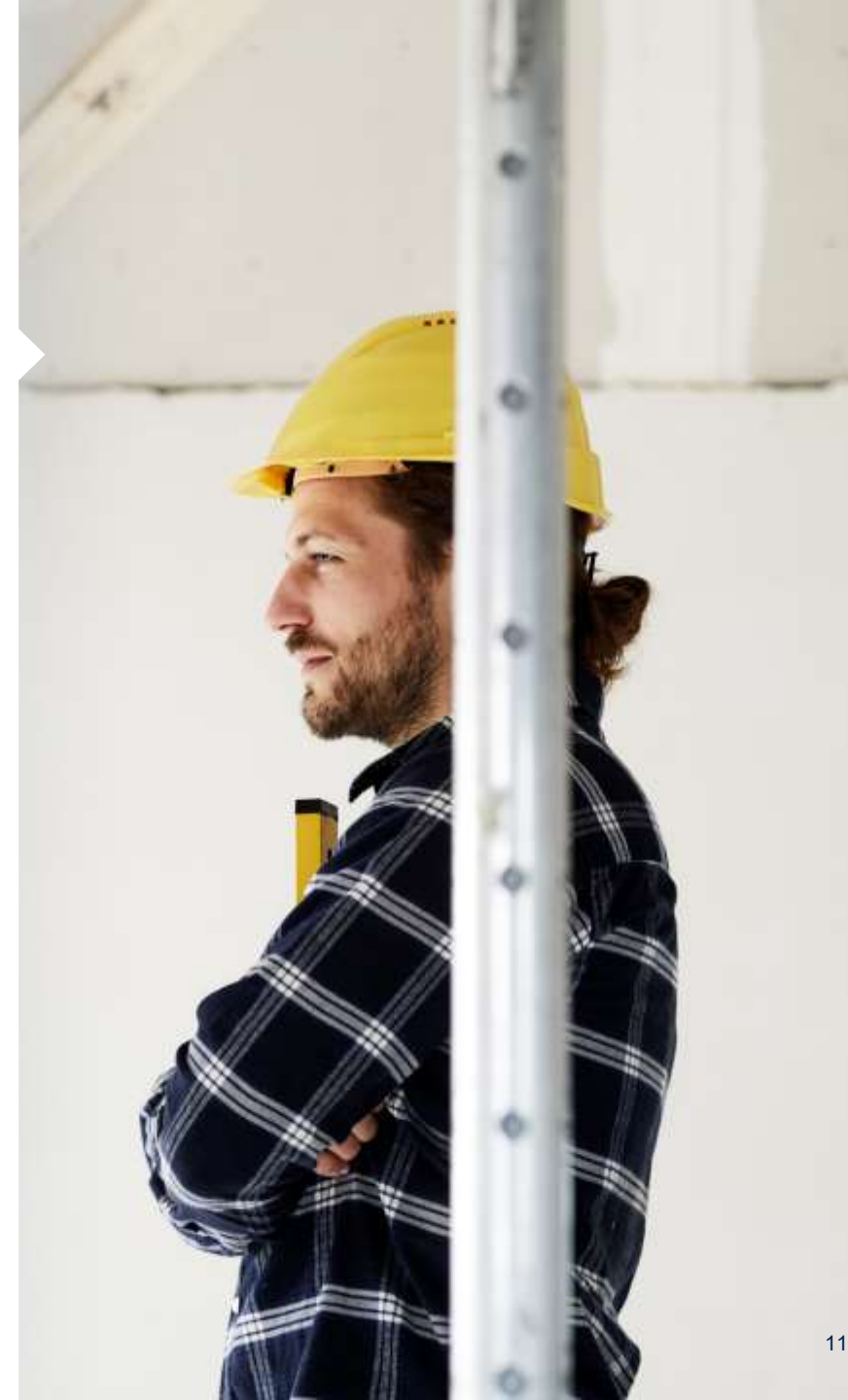
- Forensics
- Notification
- Credit monitoring
- Legal expenses



Why are construction firms targeted?

- Handle large fund transfers
- Tight project timelines
- Historically home builders and construction firms don't invest in cyber security
- Heavy dependence on vendors/subcontractors
- Multiple access points and remote workers
- Valuable employee and client information

Attackers go where money moves quickly!



Common Cyber Claims Examples

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Fake Vendor Change Request

Supplier switch-up



A contractor receives an email appearing to come from a steel supplier informing them of updated banking instructions.

What happened:

- Contractor updates account information
- \$375,000 payment sent
- Funds routed overseas
- Fraud discovered days later

Outcome:

- Project delayed
- Vendor dispute
- Coverage discussion

🎓 **Lesson: Verification procedures and cyber coverage matter**

Ransomware Hits Payroll and Project Systems

One click, job site down



A project manager receives what looks like a routine subcontractor update and opens a malicious attachment. The malware quickly spreads, encrypting shared drives and key applications across the contractor's network.

What happened:

- Network encrypted
- Scheduling systems unavailable
- Payroll interrupted
- Active project timelines affected

Outcome:

- IT forensics
- System restoration
- Business interruption
- Legal and notification expenses

 **Lesson: Cyber events create operational losses, not just IT problems.**

Compromised Email Creates Wire Fraud

CFO imposter



A CFO's email account is compromised during a busy payment cycle. The attacker monitors messages, then sends a believable note to accounting requesting an urgent project payment to a "new" account, citing a last-minute vendor issue and needing it processed before end of day.

What happened:

- Fake instructions sent to accounting
- Urgent project payment requested
- \$600,000 transferred

Outcome:

- Financial loss
- Internal investigation
- Client relationship damage

 **Lesson: Trust can be weaponized.**

Digital IQ

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Applicant Information

Start typing company name and full address

Company ABC, 123 Main Street

Or enter below

Company Name

Street

Suite/Unit/Floor etc.

City

State

Select

Zip code

Website, URL, or Domain (enter all that apply)

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The applicant does not have a website, URL, or domain.

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Product Selection

Applicant Information

Business Information

Security and Controls

Claims and Coverages

Business Information

Gross Revenue (Projected for the next 12 months)

Record Count (if you're not sure, leave it blank and we'll estimate for you) [i](#)

Number of Employees (if you're not sure, leave it blank and we'll estimate for you)

NAICS Code / Industry Description (If you can't find the right code, search the [NAICS database](#))

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☐ I don't know the answers to any of these questions

Multi-factored Authentication (MFA)

Does the applicant have MFA in place for remote network access?

Yes	No	Uncertain
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Does the applicant have MFA in place for email access?

Yes	No	Uncertain
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Does the applicant have MFA in place for network administrators and other privileged users?

Yes	No	Uncertain
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☐ I don't know the answers to any of these questions

Endpoint Detection and Response (EDR)

Does the applicant use an EDR tool that includes centralized monitoring?

Yes	No	Uncertain
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Backups

Does the applicant regularly back up and segregate sensitive data?

Yes	No	Uncertain
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Email

Does the applicant use an email security filtering tool?

Yes	No	Uncertain
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Claims Information and Requested Coverage

Claims

Has the applicant had a claim or any knowledge of a circumstance that could lead to a claim within the past 5 years?

Yes	No
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Limit Request

\$1,000,000

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Effective Date (Optional)

Quotes received may expire before the requested effective date and may need to be refreshed.



Additional Information (Optional)

Is there anything else we need to know? Add comments or upload files below.

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Unknown

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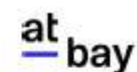
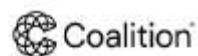
Coverage & Quote Comparison

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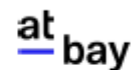
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Professional & Management Liability Insurance

Quote ID: 47849
Revenue: \$5,000,000
Record count: 15,000
Date: 2/18/2026



Admitted vs. Non-Admitted	Admitted	Admitted	Non-Admitted	Non-Admitted	Admitted	Admitted
Rating / Size	A / IX	A- / VII	A / XV	A- / VII	A / XV	A++ / XV
Prior Acts	Full Prior Acts	Full Prior Acts	Full Prior Acts	Full Prior Acts	Full Prior Acts	Full Prior Acts
Limit	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Deductible / SIR	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$5,000	\$1,000	\$5,000
Premium	\$1,860.00	\$3,878.00	\$1,920.00	\$3,308.00	\$2,400.00	\$6,336.00
Taxes and Fees	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$180.80	\$361.12	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Payable	\$1,860.00	\$3,878.00	\$2,100.80	\$3,669.12	\$2,400.00	\$6,336.00



1st Party Liability						
Breach Response & Remediation	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M
Cyber Business Interruption (BI)	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M
Dependent BI – IT	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M
Dependent BI – Non-IT	-	-	-	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M
System Failure	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M
Dependent System Failure – IT	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M
Dependent System Failure – Non-IT	-	-	-	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M
BI Waiting Period	8 hrs	8 hrs	8 hrs	8 hrs	8 hrs	8 hrs
Dependent BI Waiting Period	8 hrs	8 hrs	8 hrs	8 hrs	8 hrs	8 hrs
Ransomware / Cyber Extortion	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M
Ransomware Payment Provision	Reimbursement	Pay on behalf	Reimbursement	Pay on behalf	Reimbursement	Reimbursement
Digital Asset Damage	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M
Cyber Crime	\$100K / \$5K	\$250K / \$5K	\$250K / \$2.5K	\$250K / \$5K	\$250K / \$1K	\$1M / \$2.5K
Social Engineering	\$100K / \$5K	\$250K / \$5K	\$250K / \$2.5K	\$250K / \$5K	\$250K / \$1K	\$250K / \$2.5K
Client Funds	\$100K / \$5K	\$250K / \$5K	\$250K / \$2.5K	\$250K / \$5K	-	-
Invoice Manipulation	\$50K / \$5K	\$250K / \$5K	\$250K / \$2.5K	\$250K / \$5K	\$250K / \$1K	\$250K / \$2.5K
Telephone Hacking	\$100K / \$5K	\$250K / \$5K	\$250K / \$2.5K	\$1M / \$5K	\$250K / \$1K	\$250K / \$2.5K
Crypto Jacking	\$100K / \$5K	\$250K / \$5K	\$250K / \$2.5K	\$1M / \$5K	\$1M / \$1K	-
Reputational Harm	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M
Breach Response (Outside the Limit)	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	-
Bricking	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M
Bodily Injury	-	\$250K	-	-	-	-
Property Damage	-	\$250K	-	-	-	-
BYOD	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Coverage Descriptions

1st Party Liability	Description
Breach Response & Remediation	Coverage for response and remediation costs associated with a breach; This includes legal fees, customer notification, IT/digital forensics, and crisis media relations, among others.
Cyber Business Interruption (BI)	Coverage for financial losses due to a cyber event that causes degradation to your computer system; Usually requires a time retention (see Business Interruption Waiting Period).
Dependent BI – IT	Coverage for financial losses due to a cyber event when a 3rd party provider experiences a cyber event that causes you disruption; 3rd parties often include cloud providers or other software/services/hosting providers.
Dependent BI – Non-IT	Coverage for financial losses due to a cyber event when a 3rd party provider experiences a cyber event that causes you disruption; 3rd parties often include Non-IT entities providing necessary products or services to the insured.
System Failure	Coverage for financial losses due to business interruption resulting from an unplanned or unintentional outage, often caused by employee error or power outage.
Dependent System Failure – IT	Coverage for financial losses due to business interruption resulting from an unplanned or unintentional outage of a system operated by a 3rd party vendor providing cloud/software/hosting services, often caused by employee error or power outage.
Dependent System Failure – Non-IT	Coverage for financial losses due to business interruption resulting from an unplanned or unintentional outage of a system operated by a 3rd party Non-IT vendor providing necessary products or services, often caused by employee error or power outage.
BI Waiting Period	Time retention typically applied to cyber business interruption and system failure.
Dependent BI Waiting Period	Time retention typically applied to cyber dependent business interruption and dependent system failure.
Ransomware / Cyber Extortion	Coverage for the costs to respond to a cyber extortion (ransomware) event, including forensics experts to investigate the attack, experienced negotiators, and sometimes ransom payments in virtual currencies.
Ransomware Payment Provision	Provision for how the policy responds to a ransomware claim; "Pay on behalf" indicates the carrier will tender payments due when a ransom event occurs; "Reimbursement" indicates the insured will pay out of pocket and then seek reimbursement for covered lo
Digital Asset Damage	Coverage for costs to rebuild electronic data and other digital assets after a cyber-event, like recovering offsite backups, etc.
Cyber Crime	Coverage for the theft of funds from a failure in your security, often by a hacker stealing login credentials; This is often referred to as fund transfer fraud and may be covered on a crime policy.
Social Engineering	Coverage for theft of funds via deception or impersonation where a criminal tricks you into parting with your funds; often linked to business email compromise
Client Funds	Coverage extension to cover theft of client funds in the insured's care, custody, or control.
Invoice Manipulation	Coverage for the release or distribution of a fraudulent invoice or fraudulent payment instruction to a third party as a result of a cyber-event.
Telephone Hacking	Coverage for costs associated with unauthorized and fraudulent telephone calls.
Crypto Jacking	Coverage for costs associated with unauthorized use of the insured's computer processing power to mine crypto currency.
Reputational Harm	Coverage for lost income from an adverse media event due to a cyber event that damages the insured's reputation.
Breach Response (Outside the Limit)	Coverage for 1st party breach costs outside of and in addition to the policy aggregate limit.

Cyber U

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Welcome to Cyber U

Educate yourself and your clients on Cyber Insurance and cyber threats with Cyber U! This comprehensive online resource delivers bite-sized video lessons demystifying the world of cyber insurance.

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Cyber on the BOP...Agent's Worst Nightmare

Cyber Endorsement on your BOP does not always mean your business is protected. In the event on a cyber breach, learn just how important it is to ensure you're fully covered.



What to do in the Event of A Cyber Claim

What should you do if your clients have had a breach? ProWriters covers one of their most common questions.



History of Cyber Crime

In the event of a cyber crime, should cyber or crime policy respond? Both! Learn how the histroy of cyber insurance came to be.

+ Industry Specific

+ Ransomware

+ Cyber Crime

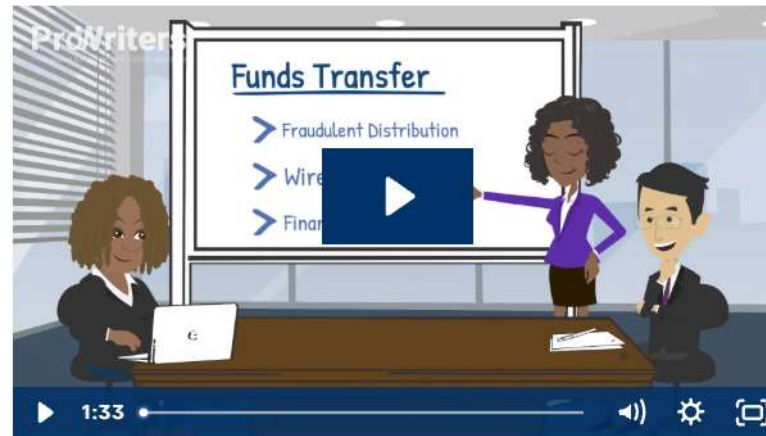
+ 1st Party Cyber Coverages

+ Cyber Preventative Tools

– Cyber Crime



History of Cyber Crime



Funds Transfer



Social Engineering



Invoice Manipulation



Loss of Tangible Property



Social Engineering Prevention

– Industry Specific



Why ALL Businesses need Cyber



Cyber for A&E Firms



Cyber for Auto Dealerships



Why Financial Services Firms Need Cyber



Cyber for Real Estate Firms



Why Contractors Need Cyber

Q&A



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