

RESOLUTION NO.(32) OF 2009 WITH RESPECT TO PUBLICATION OF THE REGULATIONS CONCERNING CONDITIONS AND PROCEDURES OF REGISTRATION IN THE REGISTER OF INSURANCE EXPERTS, BROKERS AND INSURANCE COMPANIES' REPRESENTATIVES

The Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Central Bank of Bahrain,

Having reviewed the Law of Central Bank of Bahrain and Financial Institutions promulgated by Law No.(64) of 2006,

And with the approval of the Board of Directors of the Central Bank of Bahrain,

HEREBY ORDERS:

Article 1

The provisions of the Regulations with respect to Regulations concerning Conditions and Procedures of registration in the Registers of Insurance Experts, Brokers, and Insurance Companies' Representatives, which are attached to this Resolution shall come into effect.

Article 2

The concerned Directorates at the Central Bank of Bahrain, each in its respective capacity, shall implement this Resolution and the attached Regulations, which shall come into effect from the day following the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

Signed: Qassim Mohamed Fakhro,
Chairman of the Board of Directors
of the Central Bank of Bahrain.

Issued on: 1st Rajab, 1430 Hijra,
Corresponding to: 24th June, 2009 AD.

**REGULATIONS CONCERNING CONDITIONS AND PROCEDURES
OF REGISTRATION IN THE REGISTER OF INSURANCE EXPERTS, BROKERS
AND INSURANCE COMPANIES' REPRESENTATIVES**

Article 1

There shall be established at the Licenses and Policies Directorate at the Central Bank of Bahrain, the following registers:

- A) Actuaries Register.
- B) Consultants Register.
- C) Surveyors and Loss Adjusters Register.
- D) Insurance Brokers Register.
- E) Insurance Companies Representatives Register.

Article 2

Actuaries, consultant experts, loss surveyors and adjustors experts, insurance brokers and insurance representatives shall not carry out their business companies in the Kingdom of Bahrain with any of the insurance and re-insurance companies subject to the provisions of Law of the Central Bank of Bahrain and the Financial Institutions unless their names are registered in the registers indicated in Article (1) of these Regulations and in accordance with the conditions and procedures set forth therein.

Article 3

Actuaries shall be registered in their special register upon an application to be submitted to the CBB's Licenses and Policies Directorate on the form prepared for this purpose, provided an applicant shall fulfill the following conditions:

- a) He shall be a holder of a fellowship or associate degree in actuary practice from one of the internationally accredited actuary universities or institutes that are recognised by the CBB.
- b) He shall be a member of one of the internationally accredited actuary institutes recognised by the CBB.
- c) An applicant shall have practical experience in actuary practice for a period of no less than five years after obtaining the academic degree.
- d) He shall be legally qualified and of good conduct and behaviour.
- e) He shall not have been convicted for a crime or felony limiting his freedom for an offence trustworthy or affecting his honour, integrity has been declared bankrupt, or, unless he is reinstated.
- f) To pay the prescribed fee.
- g) He shall submit any other details or information required by the CBB.

Article 4

Actuaries shall be registered in their register upon an application to be submitted to the CBB's Directorate of Licenses and Policies on the form prepared for this purpose, provided the applicant shall fulfill the following conditions:

- A) He shall be holding a high insurance qualification from one the internationally accredited universities or institutions and recognised by the CBB.
- B) An applicant must have a practical experience of no less than ten years in the technical side of insurance business.
- C) He shall undertake his business in permanent premises.
- D) He shall not have been employed with any of the licensee in the field of insurance in the Kingdom of Bahrain, unless his service contract has been terminated.
- E) He shall be legally qualified and of good conduct and behaviour.
- F) He shall not have been convicted for a crime or crime restricting his freedom for an offence affecting his honour and integrity or has been declared bankrupt, unless reinstated.
- G) He shall provide a copy of his own insurance professional risk policy in accordance with the conditions set forth by the CBB.
- H) He shall pay the prescribed fee.
- I) He shall provide any other details and information required by the CBB.

If the applicant is a company, the following conditions shall be met in addition to the conditions indicated in the preceding Article that conform with being a corporate entity:

- a) To submit the form intended for all partners whose shares amount to 10% or more of the Company's capital provided by the CBB top the applicant and includes an evaluation of the soundness of the partners' financial position.
- b) To submit the form provided to an applicant by the CBB intended for determining the eligibility, the conduct and behaviour of the company's board members candidates or administrative offices provided no judgement has been passed against each one of them for a felony affecting honour, integrity and has not declared bankrupt, unless he has been reinstated.
- c) To submit a business plan and estimated details concerning the company's operations.
- d) To submit a copy of the company's memorandum and articles of Association.

Article 5

Surveyors and loss Adjustors shall be registered in their register upon an application to be submitted to the CBB's Directorate of Licenses and Policies on the form prepared for this purpose provided the applicant shall fulfill the following conditions:

- A) He shall have an insurance qualification from one of the internationally accredited institutes recognised by the CBB.

- B) An applicant must have practical experience of no less than ten years in the technical side of the insurance business.
- C) He shall pursue his business in permanent premises.
- D) He shall not have been employed with any of the licensee in the field of insurance in the Kingdom of Bahrain, unless his service contract has been terminated.
- E) He shall be legally qualified and of good conduct and behaviour.
- F) He shall not have been convicted for a crime or crime restricting his freedom in a felony, affecting his honour or integrity or has been declared bankrupt, unless he is reinstated.
- G) He shall pay the prescribed fee.
- H) He shall provide any other details and information required by the CBB.

If the applicant is a company, the following conditions shall be met in addition to the conditions indicated in the preceding Article that conforms with being a corporate entity:

- a) To submit the form intended for all partners whose shares amount to 10% or more of the Company's capital provided by the CBB to the applicant and includes an evaluation of the soundness of the partners' financial position.
- b) To submit the form provided to an applicant by the CBB intended for determining the eligibility, the conduct and behaviour of company's board members candidates or administrative offices provided no judgement has been issued against each one of them for a felony affecting their honour, integrity and has not declared their bankruptcy, unless he has been reinstated.
- c) To submit a work plan and estimated details concerning the company's activity.
- d) To submit a copy of the company's memorandum and articles of Association.

Article 6

Insurance brokers shall be registered in their register upon an application to be submitted to the CBB's Directorate of Licenses and Policies on the form prepared for this purpose provided the applicant shall fulfill the following conditions:

- a) He shall be a holder of an insurance qualification from one the internationally accredited institute recognised by the CBB.
- b) An applicant must have practical experience of no less than ten years in the technical side of the insurance business.
- c) He shall pursue his business in permanent premises.
- d) He shall not have been employed with any of the licensee in the field of insurance in the Kingdom of Bahrain, unless his service contract has been terminated.
- e) He shall be legally qualified and of good conduct and behaviour.
- f) He shall not have been convicted for a crime or crime restricting his freedom for an offence affecting his honour and integrity or bankrupt, unless he is reinstated.
- g) He shall provide a copy of his own insurance risk policy in accordance with the conditions set forth by the CBB.

- h) He shall submit a cash deposit to the order the CBB's Governor in one of the banks licensed by the CBB.
- i) He shall pay the prescribed fee.
- j) He shall provide any other details and information required by the CBB.

If the applicant is a company, the following conditions shall be met in addition to the conditions indicated in the preceding Article that conform to being a corporate entity:

- a) To submit the form intended for all partners whose shares amount to 10% or more of the Company's capital provided by the CBB to the applicant and includes an evaluation of the soundness of the partners' financial position.
- b) To submit the form provided to an applicant by the CBB intended for determining the eligibility, the conduct and behaviour of company's board members or management offices provided no judgement has been issued against each one of them for a felony affecting his honour, integrity and has not declared bankrupt, unless he has been reinstated.
- c) To submit a business plan and estimated details concerning the company's activity.
- d) To submit a copy of the company's memorandum and articles of Association.

Article 7

Insurance Companies Representatives shall be registered in their own register upon an application to be submitted by such companies to the CBB's Directorate of Licenses and Policies on the form prepared for this purpose provided an insurance company's representative shall fulfill the following conditions:

- a) He shall be a holder of an insurance qualification from one the internationally accredited institutes recognised by the CBB.
- b) He shall be legally qualified and of good conduct and behaviour.
- c) He shall not have been convicted for a crime or felony restricting his freedom or an offense his honour or integrity or is declared bankrupt, unless he is reinstated.
- d) He shall pay the prescribed fee.
- e) He shall provide any other details and information required by the CBB.

If an insurance company's representative is a company, the following conditions shall be met in addition to the conditions indicated in the preceding Article that conform with being a corporate entity:

- a) The Company's employees authorised to carry out an insurance company's representative activity should be holders of insurance qualifications from an internationally accredited institutes recognised by the CBB.
- b) Insurance companies' representatives' business should be part of the company's objectives.