



RISK MANAGEMENT AND THE LAW

*A Three-Session On-Line
Professional Development Course
For Managers of Roads and Public Land*

COURSE CONTENT

Session 1 (2-hours)

The Risk: Injury to the Public

- A land manager's duty of care
- Negligence, nuisance and the common law
- Case law – some benchmark court decisions
- The *Wrongs Act* 1958 – Liability of public authorities
- Ensuring that claims against you are defensible

The Insurance Industry

- Insurance policies; sub-limits; aggregation and subrogation
- Cover, premiums and excesses
- When to insure, and when to self-cover
- The roles of underwriters, brokers and loss adjusters

Session 2 (2-hours)

Road and Traffic Accidents

- The *Road Management Act 2004* and Public Roads
- Roads which don't come under the RM Act
- Traffic Accidents and the TAC
- The law relating to roadsides, trees and footpaths
- The law relating to electricity line clearances
- Ensuring that claims against you are defensible

The Risk: Workplace Injury

- When parks and roads are 'workplaces'
- The Victorian Workcover Authority
- The *Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004*

Session 3 (2-hours)

The Risk: Loss of your Assets

- Statistics: the likelihood of fire, storm, flood
- Risks from climate change; what is an Act of God?
- Valuations for insurance purposes

Managing Risk

- Who should carry the risk?
- Ensuring that claims against you are defensible
- Risk management standards – ISO 31000 / 2009
- Developing a risk management strategy

*And in Session 3
COVID-19
Review of Risk
Management Strategies*



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