



Hazard Identification and Assessment Training

South Carolina Municipal Insurance Trust and South Carolina Municipal Insurance and Risk Financing Fund

February 27, 2024, 10:00 a.m.
Cooperative Conference Center
Columbia, SC

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Meeting Information

Municipalities may not be aware of losses that can occur from a property or liability standpoint. Property inspections are conducted to look for hazards that can cause a claim or lawsuit. Municipalities need to be able to assess the risks that exist in their buildings and on their properties. These inspections will help reduce risks and lessen the impact of hazards that can occur in the future. Examples of items that need to be inspected include

- roof inspections – detecting leaks and potential water damage,
- building inspections – assess hazards associated with donated and unoccupied buildings, and
- fire prevention – inspecting fire extinguishers and fire protection valves.

The first half of the session will be presented by Ken Botes of Marsh Advisory, one of SC Municipal Insurance and Risk Financing Fund’s property brokers. He will discuss why property inspections are important, how often they should be conducted, what documentation is required and how to address any issues that may be found during the inspection. During the second half of the session, David Morrison, SCMIRF defense attorney, will discuss liability associated with slip and falls. SCMIRF Claims Manager Michael Waslewski will also provide a data review of recent SCMIRF claims.

The SC Municipal Insurance Trust and SC Municipal Insurance and Risk Financing Fund strongly encourage risk managers, risk management staff and loss control contacts to attend. Attendance at this session counts toward risk self-assessment compliance and as an elective course for participants in the Risk Management Institute.



Agenda

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.	Registration
10:00 – 10:05 a.m.	Welcome and Introductions
10:05 – 11:05 a.m.	Property Inspections
11:05 – 11:15 a.m.	Break
11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	Property Inspections and Donated Buildings
12:15 – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:00 – 1:30 p.m.	Claims Data Review
1:30 – 2:00 p.m.	Liability of Slip and Falls
2:00 – 2:10 p.m.	Break
2:10 – 3:10 p.m.	Liability of Slip and Falls
3:10 – 3:30 p.m.	Questions/Adjourn

Speakers

Ken Botes, Vice President-Managing Consultant, Marsh Advisory, Property Risk Consulting

Ken E. Botes is a Managing Consultant and Vice President of Marsh Advisory - Property Risk Consulting Practice and is currently based in the Atlanta, Georgia, office. Botes assists clients with natural hazards risk, fire protection engineering, loss prevention, loss estimate studies, due diligence and business interruption. Botes is currently responsible for major projects and clients across North America. Botes joined the Atlanta office in 2016 after previously serving with Marsh Advisory in South Africa for several years, where he performed property risk consulting duties and acted as account manager for major client accounts across Europe, Africa and the Middle East. Botes is currently involved in various industries ranging from manufacturing, healthcare, food processing, warehousing, retail, and agricultural, communications, logistics, leisure and entertainment. He also has experience with compiling high value reports for client executives, and OHSAS 18001 compliance audits with the development and implementation of various templates. Botes has a bachelor's degree in risk management from the University of Potchefstroom and received advanced property risk evaluation surveying and consulting training.

David Morrison, Attorney, Morrison Law Firm

Morrison is the owner of the Morrison Law Firm, LLC in Columbia. He obtained his law degree and his Master of Business Administration from the University of South Carolina, and received his undergraduate degree from Wofford College. He is licensed to practice law in South Carolina and North Carolina. He holds a certification from the state of South Carolina as a civil dispute mediator.

Michael Waslewski, SCMIRF Claims Manager, Municipal Association of South Carolina

Mike joined the Association in 2020 as a Senior SCMIRF Claims Adjuster, and in 2022 was promoted to Claims Manager. Waslewski has more than 25 years of experience as a multiline claims adjuster, including 14 years as a claims manager and director at Nationwide and most recently as an associate manager at Allstate.



Registration Information

There is no cost to attend, but registration is required. Seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Register online by February 19 at www.masc.sc.

The session room may be cool, so you may want to bring a sweater or jacket.

For special-needs requests, contact Amy Gillian at 803.354.4774 or losscontrol@masc.sc by February 19, and staff will accommodate if possible.

General Information

The SC Municipal Insurance Trust and the SC Municipal Insurance and Risk Financing Fund offer training sessions on a variety of risk management and safety and health topics. The programs also provide members a forum for sharing ideas and keeping current on state and federal laws.

Upcoming Meetings

- Defensive Driving Training – March 26, 2024
- OSHA 10 Hour – April 16 – 17, 2024
- Law Enforcement Training – May 14, 2024
- Supervisor Training – September 24, 2024
- Risk Management Services Annual Members Meeting – November 6, 2024

Meeting Location

Cooperative Conference Center
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