

CII Level 3 Certificate in Insurance

Qualification specification



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Thank you for considering study with the CII.

This specification summarises the purpose and the content of this qualification to help you decide whether it meets your learning needs. The qualifications section of the CII website, unit syllabus documents and CII policies provide further detail on the features summarised here.

Qualification overview

The **CII Level 3 Certificate in Insurance** is a core qualification for insurance staff working across all sectors of the industry. It enables you to develop the knowledge and confidence you need before you begin to focus your subsequent studies and specialise according to your ambitions and career requirements.

Who is this qualification for?

This qualification is particularly appropriate for:

- Anyone wishing to gain a broad understanding of insurance principles, key disciplines and products.
- Employees who have no formal insurance qualifications but who wish to objectively demonstrate insurance knowledge and understanding.
- Anyone working in specific technical claims handling or underwriting roles within a call or service centre environment.
- Insurance staff employed in support functions such as human resources, marketing, IT and finance, wishing to develop an understanding of the industry in which they work.
- Staff working for an organisation whose primary business is not insurance, but which offers insurance advice and products as part of its overall service to customers.

Benefits for individuals and employers

By completing this qualification, you will be able to demonstrate understanding of key insurance principles and a range of insurance functions and products. If you work within insurance, this will assist you in understanding your role and your workplace and prepare you to progress to more detailed study of insurance concepts, market, processes and products.

Summary of content

The qualification consists of one compulsory unit and a range of optional units relating to specific insurance functions and product areas. It provides a grounding in:

- basic insurance principles including the regulatory environment;
- the key insurance disciplines of underwriting and claims; and
- popular products including: motor, household, healthcare and packaged commercial insurances.

Entry and professional completion requirements

Entry requirements

There are no entry requirements for this qualification.

Additional completion requirements

There are no additional completion requirements for this qualification.

Qualification structure

Compulsory units

You will need to complete **one** of the following units,

(IF1) Insurance, legal and regulatory

15 CII credits

(W01) Award in General Insurance – non-UK candidates only*

15 CII credits

or, both of the following units.

(LM1) London market insurance essentials

10 CII credits

(LM2) London market insurance principles and practices

15 CII credits

Please note that you can only count the credits from one of the following units IF1/LM1/Award in General Insurance. This is due to significant syllabus overlap.

If you take units LM1 – 3 you will instead gain the CII Level 3 Certificate in London Market Insurance rather than the Certificate in Insurance, to recognise that you have specialised in insurance within the London Market.

*Translated and region-specific variants of this unit are available in some countries.

Optional units

Your selection will need to total at least 40 CII credits including your compulsory unit(s) above.

Unit title	CII Credits	Level
IF2 General insurance business	15	3
IF3 Insurance underwriting process	15	3
IF4 Insurance claims handling process	15	3
IF5 Motor insurance products	15	3
IF6 Household insurance products	15	3
IF7 Healthcare insurance products	15	3
IF8 Packaged commercial insurances	15	3
IF9 Customer service in insurance	15	3
I10 Insurance broking fundamentals	15	3
I11 Introduction to risk management	15	3
GR1 Group risk	10	3
R05 Financial protection	10	3
LM3 London market underwriting principles	15	3
WCE Insurance Claims Handling (non-UK)	15	3
WUE Insurance Underwriting (non-UK)	15	3
Units from Diploma and Advanced Diploma in Insurance	5-50	2-7

Learning and assessment

Learning materials provided

For units in this qualification, students typically have access to the following materials as part of their enrolment:

- Study text (digital only or printed and digital) with online updates
- Online support including exam guide via RevisionMate

Additional or different resources may be available for some units.

Study time

Specific study time guidelines are provided for each unit on its webpage and in the CII qualifications brochure. The notional Ofqual 'Total Qualification Time' for this qualification is 160 hours.¹ This represents the time a student might typically take to complete the qualification by the shortest combination of units. The number of hours may increase dependent on the units chosen, varying from 160 – 200 hours.

¹ 'Total Qualification Time' is a term that awarding organisations are required by Ofqual (the qualifications regulator in England) to use to describe the size of qualifications. <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/awarding-organisations-understanding-our-regulatory-requirements>

Assessment format

Each unit is assessed by a single multiple-choice on screen exam, exams are available weekly at UK and non-UK online exam centres or via remote invigilation. The qualification award will be graded pass/fail.

To be awarded this qualification, each compulsory unit and sufficient optional units must be passed. The nominal pass mark for each unit within this qualification can be found on the relevant unit page. Please note, pass marks may vary from examination to examination to take account of the relative difficulty of examinations presented to candidates, ensuring that the pass standard remains constant.

We regularly update our qualifications, units and assessments to maintain industry relevance and assessment standards.

Further information on learning and assessment for each unit

Please ensure that you refer to the individual unit syllabus for unit-specific details:

- learning outcomes and assessment criteria
- further reading and resources
- important notes, such as the legislative position that will be assessed

This is available on each unit webpage, accessible from the qualification webpage:

https://shop.ciigroup.org/certificate-in-insurance-cert_ins.html

Please also select your unit from the webpage to find out about any unit updates.

Important assessment policies

Details of terms and conditions which apply to candidates entering for assessments with the CII are set out on the CII website. By entering any assessment with the CII you agree to be bound by these terms and conditions and our assessment policies.

Fair access to our qualifications

The CII acts at all times to ensure that no unfair barriers apply to those seeking to gain the qualifications it offers. If, due to disability or illness, you may require adjustments in order to access an assessment, please read the access arrangements and reasonable adjustments policy and contact the CII Customer Service team as soon as possible to discuss how we can meet your needs. Further details are provided on our website.

Qualification Fees²

Please note these fees are based on non-CII members taking the qualification in the UK, following a typical route to completion, excluding VAT where applicable on some learning products and using digital only options where available. Costs may vary for those residing outside the UK and depending on the route to completion. Substantial discounts are available to members and are detailed on the individual unit shop pages.

Standard Qualification Fee £369.00

Package Fee £462.00

Associated Learner Fees

Annual

Non-Mandatory Annual Membership £80.00 per annum
(Assumes entry level membership)

One off

Digital and printed enrolment	£555.00
Digital only enrolment plus	£495.00
Digital and printed enrolment plus	£579.00
Key facts booklet (Printed and Digital)	£108.00
Key facts booklet (Digital Only)	£90.00
Knowledge checker	£90.00
E-learn	£127.50
Study text update (Digital only)	£234.00
Study text update (Printed and Digital)	£279.00

For post results services, please click [here](#)

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² The terms, 'Standard Qualification Fee', 'Package fee' and 'Associated Learner Fees' are defined by our regulators, Ofqual, CCEA and Qualifications Wales, to create consistency between UK-based awarding organisations. It is a regulatory requirement to illustrate our pricing in this way. The total price paid will depend upon specific pathway chosen, membership status and local currency. Further pricing information by unit and component relevant to your specific pathway remains available on your qualification webpage. The table below describes what each fee indicates.

Fee	Description
Standard Qualification Fee	The standard total fees payable for the assessment elements of the core qualification throughout a typical course of study.
Package Fee	Where applicable, the total of the fees payable for mandatory learning materials elements of the core qualification throughout a typical course of study.
Associated Learner Fees	Additional fees for optional services payable: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• at the learner's discretion.• in specific circumstances only; or,• for additional study requirements prior to completing this qualification.