

Subject:	LIABILITY INSURANCE
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POLICY

Liability Insurance

The board shall maintain sufficient liability insurance to protect the district against claims for the negligent or wrongful acts of its staff. The amount and terms of such insurance protection shall be reviewed annually as part of the district's risk management program.

A volunteer staff member who renders emergency care at the scene of an emergency or who participates in transporting an injured person for emergency medical treatment shall not be liable for civil damages resulting from any act or omission in the rendering of such emergency care or in transporting such persons other than acts or omissions constituting gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct. A paramedic in the line of duty is excluded from this provision.

The board shall hold individual board members, officers, or staff of the district harmless and defend them from any financial loss, including reasonable attorneys' fees, arising out of any act or failure to act, provided that at the time of the act or omission complained of the individual so indemnified was acting within the scope of his/ her responsibilities of employment and in compliance with policies and procedures of the district.

REFERENCES

Legal Reference: RCW 4.42.470	Liability of officials and members governing body of public agency
RCW 4.96.010	Tortious conduct of political subdivision—Liability for damages

