

JOB DESCRIPTION

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JOB TITLE: TRAINEE CLAIM HANDLER

REPORTS TO: CLAIMS MANAGER

DEPARTMENT: BDELITE **COMPANY:** BDELITE

MANAGER: CLAIMS MANAGER

LOCATION: BOLTON

SCOPE & PURPOSE OF THE ROLE:

The Trainee Claims Handler will work closely with colleagues, brokers, policy holders, insurers and service suppliers in providing a full claims service to include total accident management. The Trainee Claim Handler will have full training for this role but we would expect strong customer service and organisation skills as standard. The Trainee Claim Handlers would be required to work flexibly and be adaptable to the department's business needs and requirements. For the right candidate there will be future opportunities of progression within the department.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

Customer Service

- Maintain high standards of customer service
- Provide a courteous approach to all customers
- Ensure timely allocation of tasks within department, company and FCA guidelines.
- Manage the policyholders full expectations
- Keep Brokers and Policyholders fully updated throughout the claim
- Handle full range of queries with support and assistance from seniors, team leader and manager.

Technical

With appropriate guidance, full training and supervision the Trainee Handler will develop competencies in the following areas over a period of time –

- Claims Notification
- Take notification of new claims over the telephone, via fax and email from Policy holders and Brokers.
- Confirm cover under the policy, the policy benefits and assess liability
- Report and liaise with the policyholder's insurers on all aspects of a claim, reporting back to the client advising and updating on progress
- Identify and appoint suppliers to assist the Policy holder; for example with the provision of a hire vehicle
- Identify any legal services claim and recommend a solicitor
- Identify and appoint suppliers for repairs if required
- Identify and appoint suppliers for recovery and windscreen claims
- Ensure incoming correspondence is processed/responded to in an accurate and timely manner; specifically post and cheques.
- Awareness of Service Level Agreements for example Broker contracts.
- Provide cover for team members as required e.g. for holiday, absence
- Undertake any other duties and project responsibilities reasonably required

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- Small Claims Recovery
- Obtain evidence from the Policyholder of the losses suffered as a result of the incident: for example policy excess and loss of earnings
- Assist the Policyholder to recover their losses from the Third Party or their Insurer via telephone and correspondence
- Resolve any liability issues and appoint solicitors to pursue cases where litigation is required to progress the claim.
 - ► Full Claims Management (non-fault, fault, vandalism, recovery and windscreen)
- Manage the claim from "FNOL" First notification of loss to completion of the claim, ensuring the client and broker are updated fully throughout the customer journey.
- Liaise with the clients insurers throughout the claim from FNOL to completion to ensure policyholders claim is dealt with correctly and efficiently
- Effective diary management of own cases

Targets

Please refer to specific target guidelines for each Claim Handler Level; these will alter depending on service level agreements etc

Training

- Attend training to develop relevant knowledge, techniques and skills
- Willingness to undergo training of the internal systems as required
- Willingness to progress towards further relevant professional qualifications

Compliance & Health and Safety

- Training will be given to ensure knowledge of CMR (Claims Management Regulator) rules and regulations
- Continuing awareness and compliance with FCA, Health and Safety, other regulatory and financial requirements
- Continuing awareness and compliance with all internal policies and expectations regarding confidentiality and security of systems and information.

EXPECTED/REQUIRED BEHAVIOURS & SKILLS

- Evidence of flexible, "can do" attitude; self-motivated and willing to maximise personal contribution to the role, departmental and overall organisational objectives.
- Strong commitment to customer services and service level agreements/targets.
- Effective and clear communication, telephone and listening skills
- Ability to work effectively in a team environment, happy to assist others with workload where necessary and to work towards team targets.
- Ability to work to individual targets and timescales
- Organisational skills

KNOWLEDGE & QUALIFICATIONS

- Experience working in a customer service and business administration environment would be beneficial.
- Experience and knowledge of working in a similar role would be beneficial
- At least 5 GCSE passes at Grade C or above (or equivalent e.g. NVQ Level 2) to include English and Maths.
- CII Certificate of Insurance (or working towards) is not a necessity would be advantageous

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PC Literate – experience of MS Word, Excel, Access, PowerPoint and Outlook would be helpful.

Competency Based Job Description

We have defined 15 competency areas which we believe to be key to our ability to deliver our services and meet our business goals and objectives. The table below shows the level of performance expected for the Role detailed on page 1 of this job description in each of these competency areas. There is a clear progression of expectation of how competencies, knowledge and skills should develop from Level 1 to Level 5. (Please refer to the relevant departmental Competency Framework for full details).

Competency Title	Competence Description	<u>Level</u>
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Business & Strategic	Is aware of own role and objectives. Has basic understanding of	1
Awareness	business, company mission and values.	
Commitment &	Shows interest and commitment to work by meeting timekeeping	
Responsibility	and attendance requirements. Follows instructions, policies and	1
	procedures. Aware of general company policies and procedures	
	e.g. Health & Safety, IT Security, accurate data capture	
Communication	Communicates appropriately and in a pleasant manner. Actively	
	listens to and follows instructions and queries, asks questions to	1
	clarify understanding.	
Customer-Focus	Shows awareness of customer expectations. Actively shows	
	interest in and responds to customer needs, listens to the	1
	customer's point of view. Good Data Protection Act knowledge	
	and understanding.	
Flexibility/	Has a "can-do, will do" attitude, is co-operative and willing to	
Adaptability to	undertake a variety of tasks. Responds positively to changes to	1
Change	working practices or procedures. Applies new skills or knowledge.	
Innovation	Follows procedures and process maps determined by others	1
Judgment &	Able to judge how to handle different people and situations. Seeks	
Decision-Making	help when needed. Admits when a mistake has been made and	1
	learns from the consequences of a decision. Able to accurately	
	follow laid down procedures and processes, paying particular	
	attention to any possible profit or leakage.	
Leadership &	N/A	N/A
Management		
Motivation/Drive for	Has an enthusiastic and determined approach to own role.	
Results	Completes tasks in accordance with productivity standards and	1
	work schedules.	
Personal	Willingly undertakes and participates in training. Accepts feedback	
Development -	in a positive manner and is prepared to learn and develop. Is	1
General	prepared for performance reviews; discussing objectives and how	
	improvement and progress can be made and measured.	
Objectives and	Shows a basic understanding of personal and team objectives and	1
Targets	targets but requires regular support and guidance to achieve them.	
Planning &	Works under direct supervision following established procedures,	1
Organisation	processes and protocol within expected timescales.	
Problem-Solving	N/A	N/A
Teamwork	Recognises the need to work with others to help achieve shared	
	goals. Seeks advice on issues affecting work and accepts feedback.	1

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	Concerned about what other people think and feel.	
Technical/Product	Uses basic product, business and general knowledge, language,	
Knowledge	literacy, numeracy and IT skills to carry out straightforward tasks.	1
	Shows understanding of routine work procedures.	

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