

# **Product Recall & Contamination Insurance (Half Day)**

#### **Who Would Benefit**

Brokers, underwriters, assistant underwriters, underwriting assistants, technicians and claims handlers who have clients who are concerned with their exposure to product recall.

# **Workshop Objectives**

On completion of the workshop delegates will be able to:

- List major product recall and contamination incidents which illustrate the need for the coverage
- Explain legal and regulatory developments that have increased the exposure of manufacturers to product recall and contamination risks
- Identify which types of organisation have greatest exposure to product recall or contamination claims
- Identify the first party and third party costs which are incurred in the event of product contamination or recall
- Explain the limitation of other coverage such as Products Liability and Business Interruption in protecting insureds
- · Describe the coverage provided by product recall and product contamination insurances
- Identify the principal exclusions that apply to such policies
- Explain the principal underwriting considerations of product recall and contamination policies
- Outline the best practice for handling product recall incidents and claims
- · Describe best practices for product safety risk management

#### **Workshop Content**

# Product recall and contamination incidents including

- Chinese milk
- Cadburys
- Premier foods Sudan 1
- Firestone
- Horsemeat scandal
- Toys Mattel
- Toyota

#### **Legal & Regulatory Framework**

- EU Products Directive/Consumer Protection Act
- EU General Product Safety Directive 2001
- RAPEX and RASFF
- National differences

#### Types of organisation with exposure

- Food & Drink
- Pharmaceutical
- Toys
- Automotive
- Electrical
- Clothing
- Restaurants
- Water utlities
- Most frequently notified products
- Most frequently notified risks



#### Costs

- Pre recall expenses
- Recall costs
- First party recall expenses
- Third party recall
- Defence costs
- Rehabilitation expenses
- Consultancy costs
- Loss of gross profit
- Customer loss of gross profit

#### **Existing coverages limitations**

- Products Liability
- Property Damage/Business Interruption

#### Product recall/contamination coverage

- Product contamination v First party product recall v Third party product recall
  - Operative clauses
    - Accidental contamination
    - Malicious product contamination
    - Product extortion
    - Adverse publicity
    - Government recall
  - Costs covered
  - Triggers
  - Limits/deductibles and coinsurance
  - Exclusions

#### **Underwriting considerations**

### Product recall claims handling

- Notice
- Handling incidents
- Consultancy advice

# Product safety risk management

- Quality management
- Contingency planning
- Reputation and crisis management

# **Duration**

Half day

#### **Pre-requisites**

Some understanding of public/products liability coverage is useful but not essential.