

PROFESSIONAL PRINCIPLES

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1. Categories of professional principles

- 1.1 Professional principles deal with model situations of actuarial practice and are used as a tool to advance actuaries' common procedure in solving them.
- 1.2 Professional principles are divided into standards, guidelines and recommendations.
- a) Standards of Actuarial Practice (SAP) are adopted by the Society from multinational actuarial associations of which the Society is a full member, from the Actuarial Association of Europe and the International Actuarial Association. Upon adopting, the Society can assess whether a standard shall be adopted as it was written, or adopt such revisions, after which the standard will remain in substantial compliance with the original standard. The Society may also decide not to accept a standard and to cover a particular topic in another way.
- b) The Society publishes Professional Guidelines on the basis of need to additionally regulate certain aspects of the daily operations of actuaries, usually with respect to local specifics.
- c) Professional Recommendations are educational documents serving the purpose of introducing and improving methods of actuarial practice.

2. Issuance of professional principles

- 2.1 The Executive Committee shall establish a working group of members of the Society, or invited experts to draw up standards, guidelines or recommendations. The Approbation Committee shall discuss draft professional principles and forward them to the Executive Committee with their opinion.
- 2.2 The working group is responsible for organizing the comments of members.
- 2.3 The Standards of Actuarial Practice, including modifications and cancellations, are subject to approval by the General Assembly after the concurring opinion of the Committee.
- 2.4 The Professional Guidelines and the Professional Recommendations, including modifications and cancellations shall be approved by the Executive Committee.
- 2.5 The Executive Committee is responsible for publishing professional principles within the Society.

3. Application

- 3.1 The Standards of Actuarial Practice and the Professional Guidelines are mandatory for full members of the Society. Actuaries may depart from them if a proper statement concerning the nature, meaning and implications of any such deviation is given in their report.
- 3.2 The Professional Recommendations are not mandatory.

4. Effectiveness and transitional provisions

- 4.1 The internal regulation was approved by the General Assembly held on 8 December 2015 with immediate effect.
- 4.2 The effectiveness of this internal regulation cancels previous Issuance and approval of professional principles, adopted on 22 June 1999.