

GUIDE ON

INSURANCE WEB AGGREGATOR BUSINESS REGISTRATION & REGULATION









TOPIC OUTLINE

What is an Insurance Web Aggregator? Insurance Market Growth Overview Insurance Web Aggregator License Registration **IWA** Functioning IWA Reporting & Auditing Requirements









FOREWORD

The Insurance sector in India has changed exponentially over the past decade. The kinds of insurance products have increased, giving insurance buyers more options to choose the best policy and handle their finances associated with life, health, travel and business more efficiently.

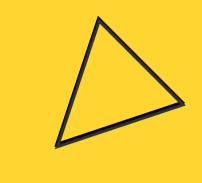
There is also a significant increase in the number of internet users and reliance on online channels for financial advice. This has led to the digital push in the Insurance sector and the introduction of the concept of Insurance Web Aggregators in India.

In this guide, we're covering the different aspects of getting the Insurance Web Aggregator Registration and Post-Registration Regulatory Requirements.





WHAT IS AN INSURANCE WEB AGGREGATOR?



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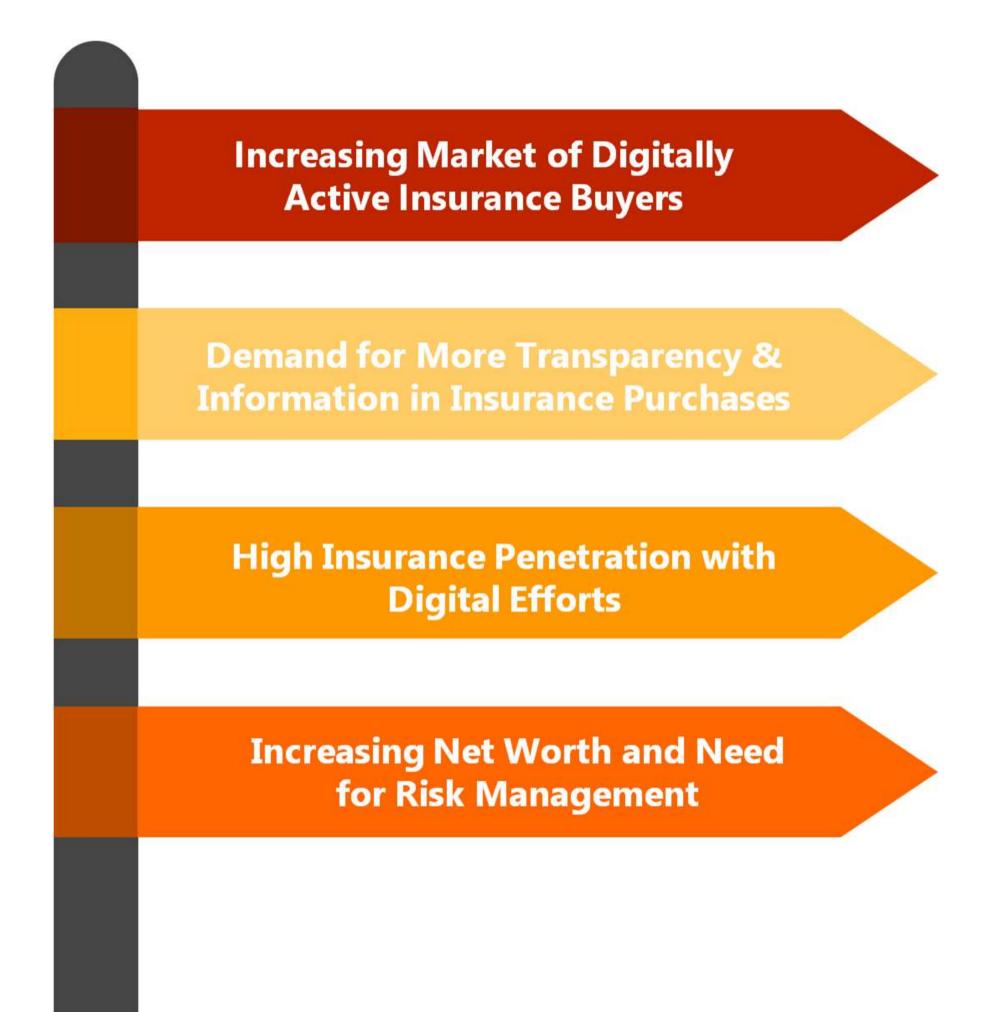
Insurance Web Aggregators are primarily the digital platforms that maintain and provide all information on different insurance products available in the market.

IWAs are designated websites that provide details such as the features, prices, benefits and requirements of insurance products of different insurance companies. They also enable users to compare these different policies and make more refined purchase/ renewal choices.



INSURANCE MARKET GROWTH OVERVIEW Second-largest Insurance Technology Market in Asia-Pacific with 35% of 3.66 billion InsurTech-based Venture Investments **Market share of Private Sector Companies in General and Health** Insurance Market in 2020: 48.03% **Premium from New Life Insurance** business in FY 21: \$31.9 Billion **Gross Premiums Written of Non-Life**

Insurers in FY 21: \$26.52 Billion



INSURANCE WEB AGGREGATION GROWTH FACTORS

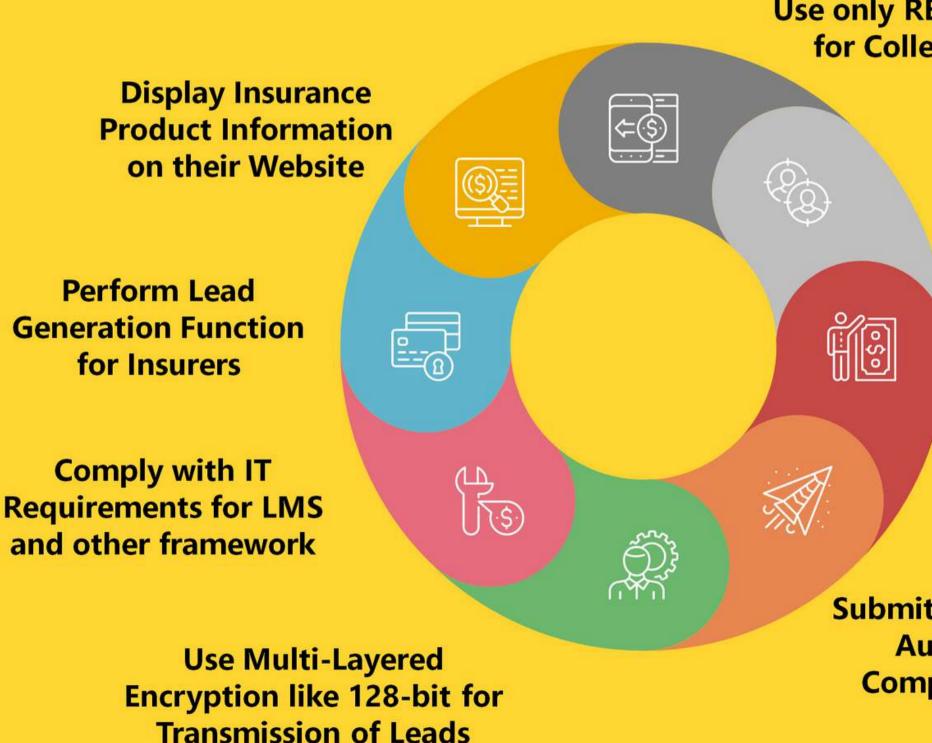


LAWS APPLICABLE TO INSURANCE WEB AGGREGATORS

The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (Insurance Web Aggregators) **Regulations**, 2017

The Insurance Act, 1938

DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES OF AN IWA



Use only RBI-Registered Payment Gateway for Collection & Transfer of Premium

> **Get IT System Audited by CERT-In empanelled Information Security Auditing Company Annually**

Submit the IT Audit **Certificate/ Report and Insurers within 15 days**

Submit Certificate of Statutory Auditor Annually with Compliance Annual Report



ACTIVITIES THAT AN IWA CANNOT UNDERTAKE

- Institution/FMCG

• Operate Multiple Websites or Tie-up with other Approved/ Unapproved/ Unregistered Entity or Website for Lead Generation/Product Comparison (except when the IWA uses multiple domain names or same domain names with different suffixes)

- Entity
- Use other Social Media Sites for Product Comparison
- **Insurance Business**



• Display information of Products or Services of any other Financial

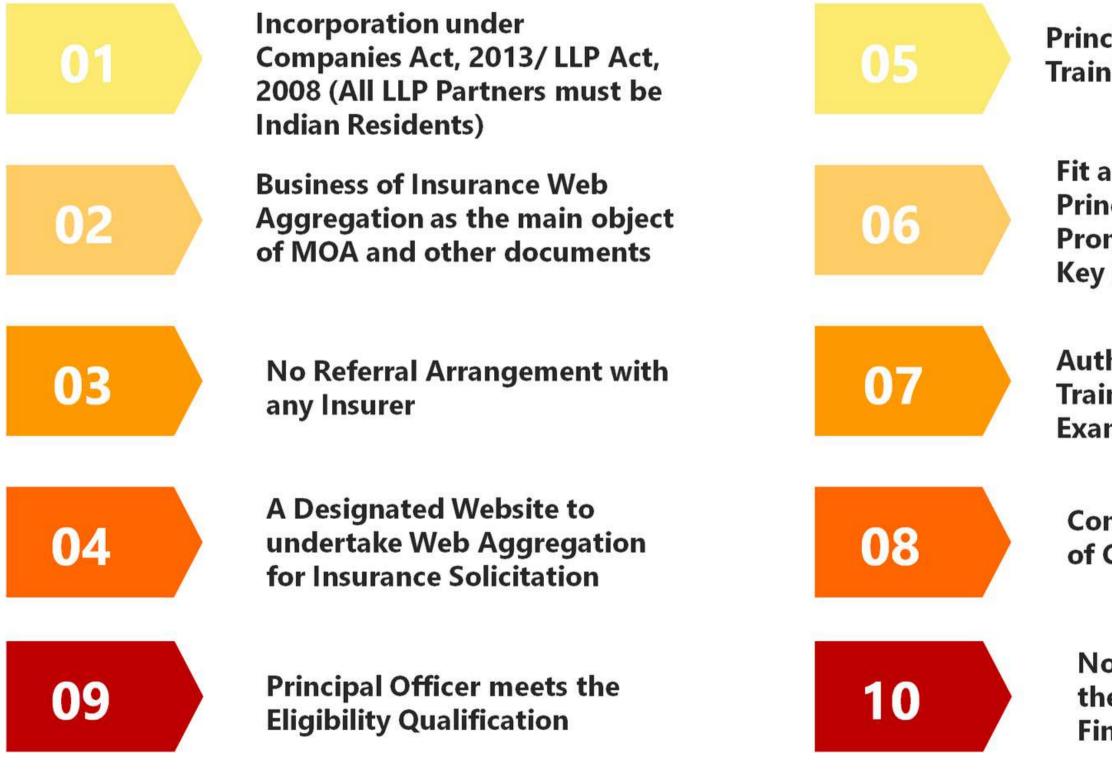
• Display Advertisements of any Insurance or Financial Products or Services

• Operate Websites of other Financial/ Commercial/ Marketing/ Sales/ Service

• Operate in any other Manner to Transmit Leads to any Entity engaged in

INSURANCE WEB AGGGREGATOR LICENSE REGISTRATION

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR IWA LICENSE



Principal Officer has undergone Training and Passed Examination

Fit and Proper Criteria is met by Principal Officer/ Directors/ Promoters/ Shareholders/ Partners/ Key Management Personnel

Authorised Verifier has undergone Training and passed the Examination as per Form-T Para 8

Compliance with Form V and Code of Conduct under Form W

No prior Application Rejection by the IRDAI in the Preceding Financial Year

ENTITIES NOT ELIGIBLE TO START AN INSURANCE WEB AGGREGATOR BUSINESS

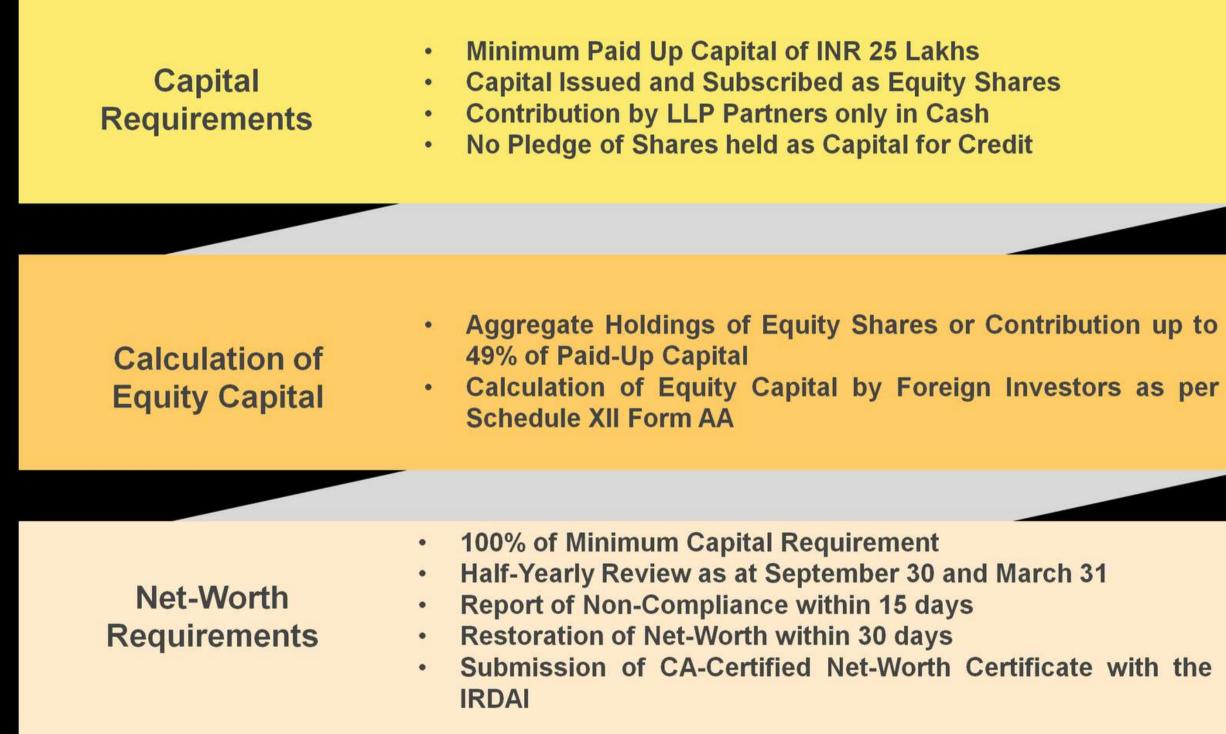




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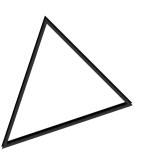
Any other Insurance Intermediary under any IRDAI

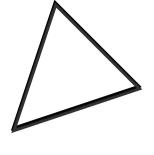
MINIMUM CAPITAL & NET-WORTH REQUIREMENTS



DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR IWA LICENSE

Copy of Registration Certificate from ROC	Copy of CA-Certified MoA and AoA/ LLP Agreement		Copy of PAN Card of the Company			Director Part Qua Cer
Self-Certification by 2 Directors/Designated Partners	Snapshots of Proposed Website' Content with Proof of Domain Name Registration		3-Year Business Plan			Confi Regist Opera
CA-Certified Net- Worth and Shareholding Pattern of Company	Copies of 3-Year Annual Report & Audited Accounts		Details Infrastructure and IT Framework			Organis with Respo
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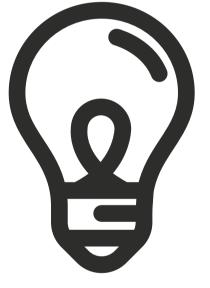


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CV of Principal Office with Qualification Certificates

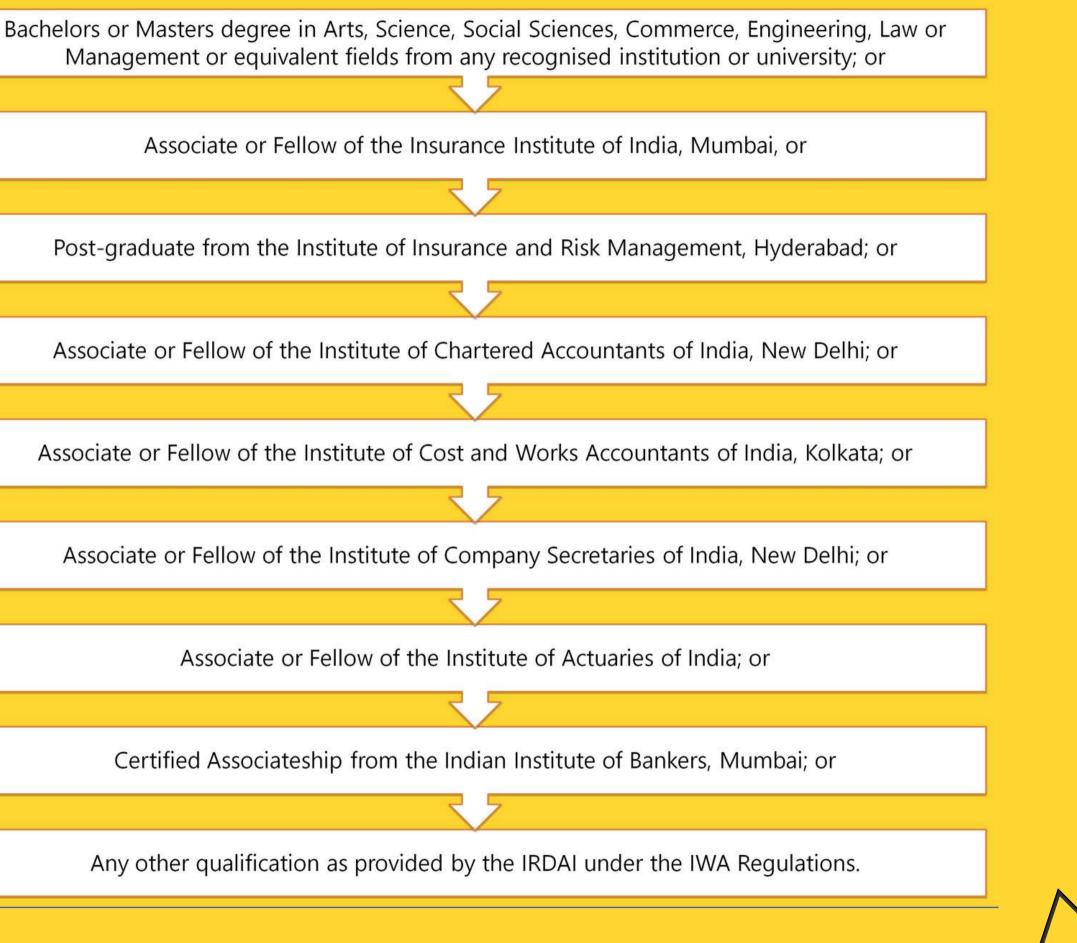
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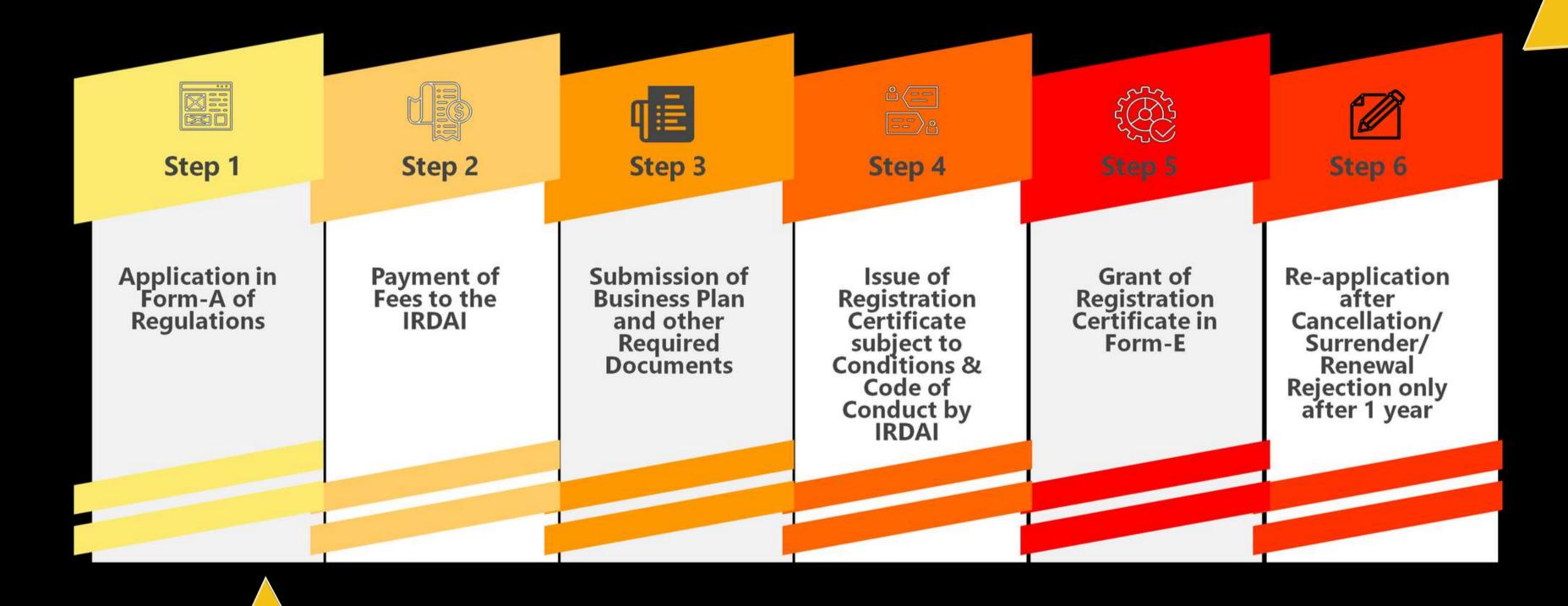


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ELIGIBLE EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS FOR PRINCIPAL OFFICER



IWA LICENSE REGISTRATION PROCESS





VALIDITY & RENEWAL OF IWA REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

- Years
- Renewal of IWA Registration is done in Form F
- Additional Documents like 3-Year Business Plan; Self-Certified Undertaking; Renewal Training Certificates of PO and Authorised Verifiers are required
- Application to be filed at least 30 days before Expiry
- Renewal Fee of INR 25,000 plus taxes to be paid

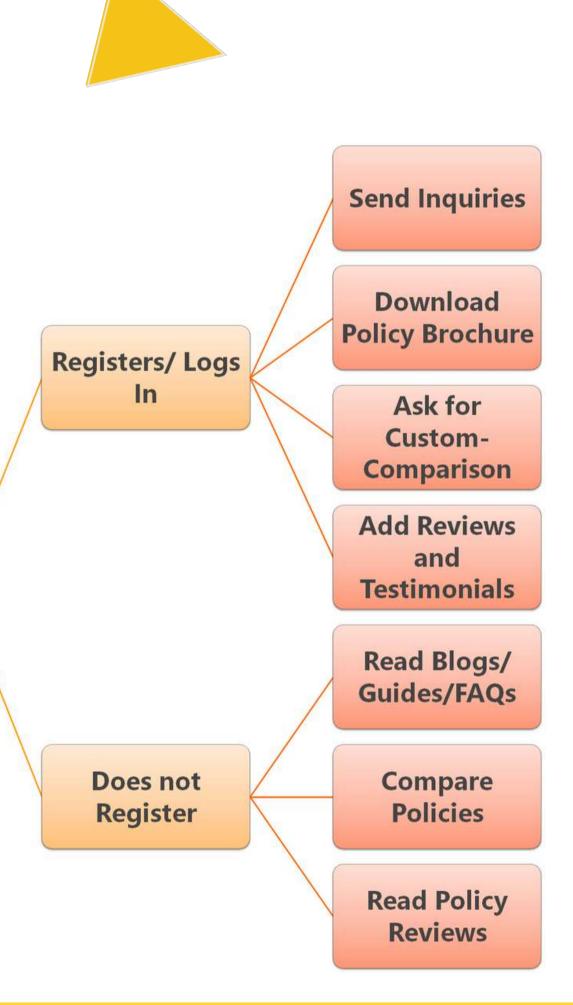


• IWA Certificate of Registration is valid for 3

INSURANCE WEB AGGREGATOR FUNCTIONING

USER ACTION CHAIN ON IWA WEBSITE

Individual visits the Website



WEB AGGREGATOR'S ARRANGEMENT WITH INSURER



An Agreement with Insurer with provisions regulating their arrangement

Requirements to keep the Agreements ready for Inspection by the IRDAI

Termination of Agreement after Intimation to the IRDAI along with reason





REMUNERATION TO INSURANCE WEB AGGREGATOR

No Charges for Transmission of Leads an Insurer Converted Leads into Sold Insurance Policies Earn Remuneration as applicable to Insurance Intermediaries Flat Fee of INR 50,000 for each insurance product of an Insurer

In case of Insurance Service Outsourcing provided by IWA, Insurer can pay a mutually agreed rate

REGISTRATION OF AN IWA AS A **TELEMARKETER**



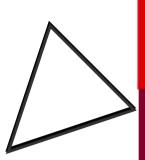
Registration as a Telemarketer needed to sell and solicit insurance products through telemarketing and distance

Modes except Online Sales include Voice Mode (Telephone-Calling), SMS, Email and DTH

Engagement of an 'Authorised Verifier' to carry out the Telemarketing and Distance Marketing work

Validity of Telemarketer Registration is 3 years

Compliance with the IRDA Act, 1999; IT Act, 2000; TRAI Act, 1997 and the Telecom Unsolicited Commercial Communications (Amendment) Regulation, 2008



Authorised Verifier to be on rolls of IWA or Tele-Marketer

Solicit Insurance Business only through Tele-Marketing Mode

Receive Inbound Telephone Calls from Prospects/ Policyholders seeking advice

Sell Insurance Products based on Prospect's needs

Explain the Main Features of Similar Insurance Products of Other Insurers to help Customer make more Informed Choice

Not Make any Unsolicited Outbound Telephone Call for Solicitation of Insurance Products

Not make any False Promises or Lure a Prospect by Overselling/Misselling

IWA to track every sale of Authorised Verifier to track Sales and Complaints

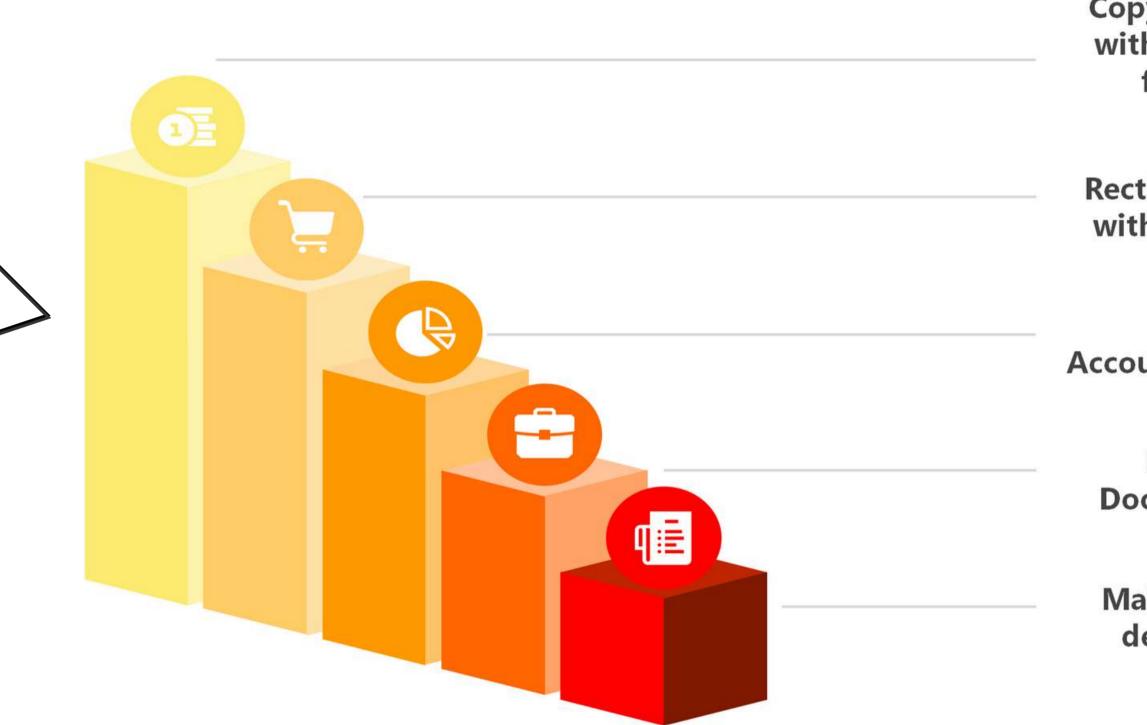
NOC from Previous IWA or 30 days time period after applying from one to join a New IWA

ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES OF AUTHORISED VERIFIER

INSURANCE WEB AGGREGATOR REPORTING & AUDITING REQUIREMENTS

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MAINTENANCE OF BOOKS OF ACCOUNTS & RECORDS



Copy of Audited Financial Statements with Auditor's Report within 90 Days from Close of Accounting Year

Rectification of any Deficiency or Error within 90 Days from Auditor's Report

Maintenance of Books of Accounts, Statements & Documents at the Head Office

Retain all Electronic Records, Books, Documents, Statements & Contracts for at least 10 years

Maintenance of Insurer-wise Records with details like leads, complaints, products, remuneration, KYC records, etc.

DISCLOSURES TO THE IRDAI

Changes in Information that may Affect Certificate of Registration

Name of the Clients whose Insurance Portfolio is managed

Proceedings initiated against the IWA by a regulatory or government body within 30 days

Change in Composition of IWA within 30 days

Change of Principal Officer, Director/Designated Partner

Change in Company's Name

Change in Registered Address

Engagement of service providers or third party vendors for LMS, webhosting, etc.

Opening/Closing of Branch Office

Updated List of Authorised Verifiers to solicit insurance via Telemarketing/Distance Marketing

Claim under the Professional Indemnity Policy

Acquisition of any Property

GET YOUR IWA REGISTRATION DONE WITH ENTERSLICE

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APPLICATION SUBMISSION AND IRDAI REPLY(IES)





CONSULTATION WITH OUR BUSINESS EXPERTS



SUCCESSFUL REGISTRATION AS AN IWA & BUSINESS COMMENCEMENT



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PREPARATION FOR APPLICATION AND DOCUMENT SUBMISSION



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