

## **FLORIDA INSURANCE**

# Bail Bonds Content Outline

Content Outlines: Effective January 1, 2025



CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER  
STATE OF FLORIDA

# Florida Insurance Examination Content Outlines

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## Florida Agent's Bail Bonds/Limited Surety

60 scored questions plus 10 pretest questions

Time limit: 75 minutes

- I. BAIL AS SURETY; CRIMINAL DEFENDANT'S BONDS ..... 5%**
  - A. Bail As Surety**
    - 1. Regulation and regulatory authority
    - 2. The Surety Contract
  - B. Criminal Defendant's Bonds**
    - 1. Bail Bonds
    - 2. Appeal Bonds
    - 3. Supersedeas Bonds
    - 4. Habeas Corpus Bonds
    - 5. Extradition Bonds
    - 6. Civil Contempt Bonds
    - 7. Ne Exeat Bonds
    - 8. Criminal Contempt Bonds
  - C. Federal Bonds**
- II. LICENSING AND APPOINTMENT OF BAIL BOND AGENTS AND AGENCIES .....5%**
  - A. Professional Bail Bond Agents**
  - B. Limited Surety Agents**
    - 1. Application
    - 2. Qualifications
    - 3. Effective Date and Term of License
    - 4. Prohibited Persons
    - 5. Continuing Education Requirements
  - C. Bail Bond Agencies**
    - 1. Application
    - 2. Qualifications
    - 3. Effective Date and Term of License
    - 4. Prohibited Persons
- III. FUNDAMENTALS OF CONTRACTS .....10%**
  - A. Enforceability of contracts**
  - B. Actions that Make a Contract Unenforceable**
  - C. Creating A Valid Contract**
  - D. Enforcing the Contract**
  - E. Uniform Extradition Act**
- IV. OPERATING A BAIL BOND BUSINESS .....15%**
  - A. The Contract of Agency**
  - B. Statutory Guidelines**
    - 1. Bail bond office
    - 2. Supervision and Employees
    - 3. Licenses and Appointments
    - 4. Records
    - 5. Advertising
    - 6. Change of Address
  - C. Payment of Premium**
- V. ARREST AND RELEASE.....10%**
  - A. Arrest Procedures**

- B. Pre-Trial Release**
- C. Approval and Acceptance of Bail**
- D. GPS Monitoring**
- VI. WRITING AND UNDERWRITING BONDS .....10%**
  - A. Underwriting**
  - B. The Surety/Defendant Contract (Bond)**
  - C. The Surety Contract**
  - D. Writing the Bond/Premium**
  - E. Transfer Bonds**
    - 1. In state
    - 2. Out-of-state
  - F. Out-of-County Bonds**
- VII. THE COURTS .....10%**
  - A. Jurisdictions**
    - 1. Appellate jurisdiction
    - 2. Original jurisdiction
  - B. Fulfilling the obligation**
    - 1. Required court appearances
    - 2. Court orders
    - 3. Surrender of Defendant
    - 4. Statutory discharge
- VIII. FORFEITURES AND JUDGMENTS .....15%**
  - A. Forfeitures**
    - 1. Procedural Guidelines
    - 2. Notice of Forfeiture
    - 3. Discharge of Forfeiture
    - 4. Warrant/Capias for Defendant's Arrest
    - 5. Locating and Arresting the Defendant
  - B. Judgments**
    - 1. Forfeiture to Judgment
    - 2. Consequences of Unpaid Judgments
    - 3. Motions to Set Aside Judgment
    - 4. Remission
- IX. COLLATERAL AND INDEMNITY .....10%**
  - A. The Indemnity Contract**
  - B. Types of Collateral**
  - C. Securing Collateral**
  - D. Custody of Collateral**
  - E. Return of Collateral After Fulfillment**
  - F. After Forfeiture**
  - G. Contractual Restrictions**
  - H. Punishment for Violations**  
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- X. REGULATION OF BAIL BOND AGENTS.....10%**
  - A. Criminal Charges and Violations**
    - 1. Felony Violations
    - 2. Misdemeanor Violations
  - B. Department Authority**
    - 1. Department Discipline
    - 2. Initiating a Departmental Investigation
    - 3. Evidence Gathering
    - 4. Disciplinary Actions and Other Consequences