

FINANCIAL UNDERWRITING GUIDELINES

(Effective November 18, 2013)

NOTE: CFQ means Confidential Financial Questionnaire. IR means Inspection Report. The Cover Letter should be as comprehensive as possible to help the underwriter fully understand the insurance need and coverage requested.

PURPOSE	REQUIREMENTS	NOTES	
Income replacement	- Application. - CFQ required for > \$3 million. - IR required for > \$5 million.	Age	Income Factor
		20 – 29	30X
		30 – 39	25X
		40 – 49	20X
		50 – 59	15X
		60 – 69	6 – 8X
		Assumes an annual salary increase of 5%.	
Estate conservation	- Application. - Cover Letter required for >\$3 million. - CFQ required for >\$3 million. - IR required for >\$5 million.	Up to 2X net worth.	
Children	- Application. - Cover Letter required for >\$250,000.	- Face amounts should bear a reasonable relationship to family income and net worth. - All siblings should be insured for similar amounts. - As a rule of thumb, parents should own twice as much insurance as their child. Exceptions will be considered.	
University and college students	Application.	- Will consider face amounts up to: \$500,000 for post-secondary students, \$1,000,000 for medical/dental students.	
Final expense coverage	Application.	- Insurance to cover things like medical bills, funeral and burial costs, final expenses. - Maximum face amount of \$50,000.	
Intergenerational wealth transfer	- Application. - Cover Letter. - May require 3rd party confirmation of family assets.	Individual consideration.	
Charitable giving	- Application. - Cover Letter.	- Individual consideration. - Cover Letter should also provide details of relationship to the charity. - Maximum face amount is generally 25% of net worth provided traditional insurance needs have been met.	
Any of the above – Foreign assets	Applicable requirements set out above.	- Individual consideration. - Cover Letter should also include the source of premium payment, amount of Canadian and foreign assets. - Can consider up to 50% of foreign assets if verified by an international financial institution.	

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