Liability Risk Management



Copyright Vermont League of Cities and Towns Current as of: 3/31/2025 Municipalities engage in a wide range of inherently risky activities such as maintaining transportation infrastructure; operating water, sewer, and/or electric utilities; providing recreation programs; employing staff without the benefit of an HR professional; providing public safety services (police and/or fire); allowing private use of municipal facilities; and engaging in contracts for services.

All of these activities have elements of risk that could expose the municipality to legal action or a claim for damages if proper procedures, work practices, and other control measures are not established and adhered to. As a PACIF member, you can use the resources listed below – guidance, tools, model documents, and more – to improve your understanding of where the potential for claims exists and to help you implement best management practices for controlling your municipality's liability exposures.

