The USQS require specific qualification standards for certain types of SAOs. Actuaries issuing the following types of SAOs must possess additional specific qualifications, as outlined in Section 3 of the USQS.

- Statement of Actuarial Opinion, NAIC Life, A&H, and Fraternal Annual Statement
- Statement of Actuarial Opinion, NAIC Property and Casualty Annual Statement
- Statement of Actuarial Opinion, NAIC Health Annual Statement

The USQS apply to U.S.-based actuarial organization members who render actuarial services in the United States. The USQS apply to U.S.-based actuarial organization(s) you belong.

USQS EXEMPTIONS

- Actuaries not issuing SAOs
- Actuaries issuing SAOs only outside the U.S.

Learn more at www.actuary.org/USQSFAQs
What are the USQS CE requirements?

You are responsible for determining what CE opportunities will enhance your professional abilities. Continuing education is considered relevant if it:

- Deepens or broadens your understanding of your actuarial work, or
- Expands your knowledge of practice in related disciplines bearing on your work, or
- Facilitates entry into a new area of actuarial practice, or
- Exposes you to new and evolving techniques for addressing actuarial issues

You must complete at least **30 CE HOURS** of relevant continuing education each calendar year to comply with the USQS. You may not issue an SAO without completing the requirements for the previous calendar year. Shortfalls can be made up the same year prior to issuing an SAO. Excess hours may be carried over for one year.

The 30 hours must include:

- **6** hours organized activities
- **3** hours professionalism
- **1** hour of bias topics

You can track your CE and EA hours with **TRACE**, the web-based recordkeeping tool available to actuaries in all practice areas.

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