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Overview

International Contract Force Majeure Response Training Course is a five-day foundation course for contract, legal, commercial, procurement, project, and claims functions who leave with a Force Majeure Contract Response File. Participants connect clause review, event qualification, causation, notice, evidence, mitigation, time and cost consequences, and counterparty coordination. The course addresses inconsistent responses to exceptional events in cross-border contracts. Agile Leaders Training Center presents force majeure response as a documented contract-management process.

Who Should Attend

- Contract functions responsible for clause operation, notices, and records
- Legal functions responsible for reviewing contractual rights and consequences
- Commercial functions responsible for time, cost, and counterparty impacts
- Procurement functions responsible for supplier contract continuity
- Project and claims functions responsible for evidence, mitigation, and response coordination

The course assumes participants can read and administer contracts and leaves out jurisdiction-specific legal advice, litigation strategy, and advanced dispute advocacy.

Departments and Industries

The course supports departments and industries that manage force majeure events in international contracts.

- Legal, contracts, commercial, procurement, and supply chain
- Project management, claims, risk, and operations
- Construction, infrastructure, energy, and utilities
- Manufacturing, transportation, technology, and logistics
- Consulting, contracting, and client organizations

Learning Objectives

By the end of this course, participants will be able to:



- Analyze force majeure clause structure and allocation
- Apply an event qualification and causation test
- Build a notice and evidence pathway
- Evaluate mitigation and continuing-performance options
- Compare time, cost, suspension, and termination consequences
- Use a coordinated counterparty response process

Course Agenda

Day 1: Framing Force Majeure Clauses

- Contract Risk Allocation Map
- Force Majeure Clause Anatomy Checklist
- ICC Force Majeure Clause Reference Map
- CISG Article 79 Impediment Test
- Force Majeure and Hardship Comparison Matrix

Day 2: Qualifying Events and Causation

- Event Qualification Decision Tree
- Control and Foreseeability Assessment Grid
- Causation Evidence Chain
- Performance Impact Analysis Sheet
- Temporary and Continuing Impediment Timeline

Day 3: Managing Notices, Evidence, and Mitigation

- Contract Notice Requirement Map
- Force Majeure Notice Drafting Checklist
- Event Evidence Register
- Mitigation Action Planning Canvas
- Continuing Performance Options Table

Day 4: Assessing Consequences and Responses

- Time Consequence Assessment Model
- Cost Consequence Allocation Table
- Suspension and Termination Decision Matrix
- Counterparty Response Record
- Resolution Pathway Comparison Map



Day 5: Force Majeure Response Practice

- Exercise: Review a Force Majeure Clause
- Exercise: Qualify an Event and Trace Causation
- Exercise: Draft a Notice and Evidence Register
- Exercise: Evaluate Mitigation and Consequences
- Capstone Exercise: Force Majeure Contract Response File

Practical Exercises

The course uses suggested activities to apply force majeure response methods in different sectors.

- Suggested activity: assess a logistics disruption against a contract event test.
- Suggested activity: draft a notice and evidence register for an infrastructure delay.
- Suggested activity: compare mitigation options for a manufacturing supply interruption.
- Suggested activity: evaluate time, cost, and termination consequences for an energy contract.

FAQs

Who suits international contract force majeure response training, and what does it assume?

It suits professionals responsible for clauses, notices, evidence, mitigation, consequences, or counterparty coordination and assumes they can read and administer contracts.

How does force majeure response training differ from advanced dispute advocacy?

Force majeure response training focuses on operational clause use, event assessment, notices, evidence, mitigation, and contractual consequences, while advanced dispute advocacy focuses on presenting contested positions in formal proceedings.

How is a force majeure event assessed under an international contract?

A force majeure event is assessed against the contract language, event characteristics, control and foreseeability factors, causation, performance impact, notice duties, evidence, mitigation, and stated consequences.

What records support a force majeure notice?

Useful records connect the event timeline, affected obligations, operational evidence, communications, mitigation actions, continuing performance, and time or cost impacts to the notice requirements in the contract.



Why should force majeure and hardship be distinguished?

The distinction matters because the applicable contract terms may use different qualification tests, response duties, and consequences for prevented performance and altered economic conditions.

Conclusion

Participants leave with a Force Majeure Contract Response File for managing exceptional events. The file connects clause analysis, event qualification, causation, notices, evidence, mitigation, consequences, and counterparty decisions. Teams can use it to replace fragmented reactions with a traceable response process grounded in the contract and the documented circumstances.



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