

Third-Party Compliance for Property Managers

Real Estate Services Firm Reduces Risk with Contractor Prequalification

Industry Real Estate

ComplyWorks client: Since 2012

Environment

- 2,000 contractors
- 60 million square feet of managed property

Challenges

Reduce the risk of regulatory fines and safety hazards caused by uninsured contractors.

Automate contractor prequalification to reduce manual data entry for administrators and accountants.

Solutions

Deploy ComplyWorks
Compliance
Management Solution
(CMS) to prequalify
vendors, automate
notifications to
uncompliant
contractors, and reduce
manual work and
internal administration
costs for managing the
employer's third-party
ecosystem.

The Company

A Canadian real estate management, investment and development provider.

The Situation

Managing more than 60 million square feet of office, retail, industrial and multi-family residential assets is no simple task. For this leading real estate services provider, it requires outsourcing to approximately 2,000 contracted companies to build, maintain and run their properties. Prior to entering a worksite, each contractor is required to possess both a valid certificate of insurance and a specialized agreement between the vendor, the employer and the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board.

A risk analysis revealed that while certain worksites tracked insurance certificates and agreements for all contractors, other worksites only collected the required documentation from regular recurring vendors. To reduce the potential for regulatory fines and workplace safety risks, the client required an affordable solution that would automate contractor prequalification to meet legislative, regulatory and internal requirements.

The Results

Following a careful evaluation process by a senior committee of personnel, the company selected ComplyWorks' Compliance Management Solution (CMS) to manage their vast vendor list and to help mitigate the risks associated with proof of insurance and worksite requirements.

ComplyWorks worked in collaboration with the company to develop a prequalification matrix that met their custom requirements for hiring contractors. Within a two-month window, over 2,000 vendors were onboarded and prequalified with minimal manual labour required on the client's behalf.

As a result, property managers, administrative staff and risk management personnel who spent countless hours tracking and verifying contractor documents returned to focusing on their core responsibilities. Today, the company benefits from the ability to outsource with reduced risk, allowing them to focus on what truly matters: their tenants, investors and properties.