LEADING STRATEGIES IN RESOLVING CONTRACTUAL CLAIMS & DISPUTES (FIDIC CLAIMS)



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Introduction

Leading Strategies in Resolving Contractual Claims & Disputes (FIDIC Claims) examines how project teams prepare, defend, and settle claims under FIDIC conditions. This Training Course covers notice regimes, entitlement analysis, delay and quantum proof, and the routes from engineer's determination to arbitration. Participants study the 1999 and 2017 editions, Dispute Adjudication Boards, and the mechanics of extension of time and cost claims. Furthermore, the programme connects clause wording to claim strategy through drafting labs and case simulation. As a result, delegates leave able to lead claim resolution with discipline and commercial control.

Leading Strategies in Resolving Contractual Claims & Disputes (FIDIC Claims) Course Objectives

- Identify the common causes of contractual claims on FIDIC projects.
- Apply notice and time bar requirements under Sub-Clause 20.1 and 20.2.
- Build entitlement arguments from contract clauses and records.
- Prepare fully detailed claims with supporting evidence.
- Prove delay using time impact analysis and as-planned versus as-built methods.
- Quantify cost and disruption claims with measured and evaluated approaches.
- Manage engineer's determinations, agreements, and replies.
- Run Dispute Adjudication Board (DAB) and DAAB referrals effectively.
- Apply amicable settlement routes before arbitration.
- Design claim avoidance systems and dispute strategy.

Course Methodology

- Interactive workshops using real FIDIC claim files and awards.

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- Structured notice and claim drafting labs with coached feedback.
- Delay analysis exercises using time impact and as-built methods.
- Quantum calculation workshops on measured and evaluated approaches.
- Guided role-play of engineer's determination and DAB referral.
- Action planning that converts each session into a workplace commitment.

Who Should Take This Course

- Contract managers and claims specialists.
- Project directors and commercial managers.
- Legal counsel and dispute lawyers.
- Quantity surveyors and cost engineers.
- Planning and delay analysts.
- Employers' and engineers' representatives.
- Consultants and contractors on FIDIC projects.

Leading Strategies in Resolving Contractual Claims & Disputes (FIDIC Claims) Course Outlines

Day 1: Claim Origins and the FIDIC Notice Regime

- Sources of claims: delay, variations, site conditions, and payment.
- Contractor's claims under Sub-Clause 20.2 and the 28-day notice.
- Employer's claims under Sub-Clause 20.3.
- Time bars and consequences of late notice.
- Notice registers and correspondence discipline.
- Reservation of rights and without-prejudice practice.

- Difference between 1999 and 2017 notice requirements.

Day 2: Entitlement Analysis and Claim Construction

- Reading the contract for entitlement: clauses, definitions, and schedules.
- Distinguishing claims from variations and change orders.
- Building the factual matrix from contemporaneous records.
- Causation, liability, and the baseline position.
- Clause interpretation and contra proferentem considerations.
- Preparing the claim narrative and executive summary.
- Interpreting employer's requirements and specifications for claims.

Day 3: Delay, Disruption, and Time Impact Analysis

- Delay events and extension of time mechanisms.
- As-planned versus as-built analysis.
- Time impact analysis and windowed approaches.
- Concurrent delay and its treatment.
- Productivity loss and disruption claims.
- Programme acceptance and float ownership debates.
- Presenting delay evidence credibly to the engineer.

Day 4: Quantum, Cost, and Disruption Valuation

- Cost components: labour, plant, materials, and preliminaries.
- Measured, evaluated, and global cost approaches.
- Head office overheads and the Emden formula.
- Prolongation, acceleration, and disruption quantification.

- Interest, finance charges, and currency effects.
- Claims for loss of profit and opportunity.
- Building the quantum schedule with supporting vouchers.

Day 5: Determination, DAB, and Dispute Strategy

- Engineer's determination process and timelines.
- Agreement, determination, and reply obligations.
- Dispute Adjudication Board (DAB) and DAAB referrals.
- Enforcement of DAB decisions and Notice of Dissatisfaction.
- Amicable settlement and negotiation practice.
- Arbitration under ICC and other institutional rules.
- Personal action plan and claim avoidance strategy.

Conclusion

By successfully completing Leading Strategies in Resolving Contractual Claims & Disputes (FIDIC Claims), participants will have acquired a practical command of notice compliance, entitlement analysis, delay proof, and quantum valuation. They will know how to prepare fully detailed claims, manage determinations, and run DAB referrals effectively. In addition, the course prepares delegates to design avoidance systems and dispute strategies. As a result, they return to work ready to lead FIDIC claim resolution with commercial confidence. Gentex Training Center delivers this Training Course with a practical, standards-based approach.

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FAQs for the Leading Strategies in Resolving Contractual Claims & Disputes (FIDIC Claims) course

Q1 What is the "Leading Strategies in Resolving Contractual Claims & Disputes (FIDIC Claims)" course about?

It is a five-day programme that explains how claims are prepared, defended, and resolved under FIDIC contracts. It covers the notice regime, entitlement analysis, delay and quantum proof, engineer's determinations, dispute boards, and arbitration routes.

Q2 What are the key benefits of the "Leading Strategies in Resolving Contractual Claims & Disputes (FIDIC Claims)" course?

Participants gain the ability to protect entitlement through disciplined notice, build claims that survive technical scrutiny, and quantify delay and cost convincingly. They also learn to manage determinations and DAB proceedings properly and to settle disputes at the earliest viable stage.

Q3 What skills will I gain from the "Leading Strategies in Resolving Contractual Claims & Disputes (FIDIC Claims)" course?

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FIDIC notice and time bar compliance, entitlement analysis with claim construction, delay proof using time impact analysis, and quantum valuation with dispute board and arbitration management.

Q4 What tools, methods, or standards are covered in the "Leading Strategies in Resolving Contractual Claims & Disputes (FIDIC Claims)" course?

The course covers FIDIC 1999 and 2017 Sub-Clauses 20.1, 20.2, and 20.3 notice and claim procedures, time impact analysis and as-planned versus as-built delay methods, windowed delay analysis, the Emden formula for head office overheads, measured and evaluated quantum approaches, the Dispute Adjudication Board (DAB) and DAAB procedures, Notice of Dissatisfaction rules, and ICC arbitration as the default referral route.

Q5 How is the "Leading Strategies in Resolving Contractual Claims & Disputes (FIDIC Claims)" course applied in real-world practice?

Delegates apply it through notice registers, claim submissions, delay analysis reports, quantum schedules, supporting evidence files, engineer's determination replies, DAB referral documents, settlement negotiation papers, and arbitration submissions. They also use it to design early warning systems that prevent claims from arising.