

Pull out your current policy and check the box next to any coverage you can confirm is already in place — anything unchecked is worth a quick conversation with your advisor. Coverage checklist for influencers, streamers, podcasters, and content studios. Priorities reflect typical exposure for this class; confirm against the content categories and revenue sources.

CORE

PREVALENT

SITUATIONAL

— Core: almost always needed · Prevalent: commonly carried by businesses in this class · Situational: depends on specific exposure

COVERAGE	WHY THIS BUSINESS NEEDS IT	PRIORITY
☐ Media Liability	Covers defamation, copyright, privacy, and right-of-publicity claims from content — general liability usually excludes them.	CORE
☐ Professional Liability (E&O)	Covers claims from brands that a campaign was not delivered as agreed, or caused them loss.	PREVALENT
☐ Cyber Liability	Covers account takeover, data breaches, and extortion affecting channels and audience data.	PREVALENT
☐ Commercial General Liability	Covers injuries at shoots, events, and meet-ups; many venues and brands require it.	PREVALENT
☐ Products Liability	Needed for own-brand products (merch, supplements, cosmetics).	SITUATIONAL
☐ Equipment / Inland Marine	Covers cameras, lighting, and computers, including while traveling.	PREVALENT
☐ Event Liability	Covers live events, tours, and meet-ups with crowds.	SITUATIONAL
☐ Workers' Compensation	Required in most states if the creator has employees.	SITUATIONAL

COMMON COVERAGE GAP FOR THIS CLASS

The most commonly missed gap for this class is media liability. Creators often carry a basic business policy, but general liability usually excludes claims that content defamed someone, used copyrighted music or footage, or invaded privacy — the claims creators actually face. Sponsored content adds regulatory exposure: FTC civil penalties exceed \$53,000 per violation, each undisclosed post can count, and class actions over hidden partnerships have sought over a billion dollars from brands, which then look to creators' contracts. Brand agreements should include indemnity, and disclosure should be built into every post.

IMPORTANT — PLEASE READ

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