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1. Why CPD Matters

- Actuarial methods, regulations, and risks evolve constantly; continuing professional development (CPD) ensures actuaries remain competent throughout their careers.

2. CPD Requirements

- Most professional bodies require a minimum number of CPD hours annually, covering technical, professional, and often ethics-related content.

3. Forms of CPD

- Formal courses, conferences, self-study, mentoring, and structured on-the-job learning all typically count toward CPD requirements.

4. Specialization

- As actuaries progress, many develop deep expertise in specific areas (e.g., life insurance, pensions, general insurance, enterprise risk management).

5. Lifelong Learning Mindset

- Beyond formal requirements, the best actuaries treat learning as an ongoing professional responsibility, not a box-ticking exercise.

6. Consequences of Non-Compliance

- Failure to meet CPD requirements can result in loss of practicing certificate or professional membership.