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INTRO 1 Foreword

INTRO

(This Foreword to the Compensation sourcebook does not form part of COMP.)

The Act requires the FCA and the PRA to make rules establishing a scheme for compensating consumers in cases where: (i) relevant persons are unable, or likely to be unable, to satisfy claims against them; or (ii) persons who have assumed responsibility for liabilities arising from acts or omissions of authorised firms ("successors") are unable, or likely to be unable, to satisfy claims against the successors that are based on those acts or omissions. The body established to operate and administer the compensation scheme is the Financial Services Compensation Scheme Limited (FSCS). The PRA's compensation rules deal with claims for deposits and under contracts of insurance and the FCA's compensation rules deal with other types of claim.

By making rules that allow the FSCS to pay compensation to retail consumers and small businesses, and focusing protection on those who need it most, the compensation scheme rules form an important part of the toolkit the FCA will use to meet its statutory objectives. This module of the FCA Handbook contains the rules and guidance that allow the FSCS to pay claims for compensation when an authorised person or, where applicable, a successor, is unable or likely to be unable to meet claims against it. The rules specify who is eligible to receive compensation and in what circumstances, how much compensation can be paid to a claimant; and how the scheme will be funded. The compensation rules are of interest to consumers. The rules apply to the FSCS, authorised firms and successors.

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The Sourcebook is divided into the following Chapters covering all aspects of the scheme:

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Chapter 1: Introduction and Overview

This chapter provides an introduction to the FSCS rules and a table of guestion and answers that may be of interest to consumers.

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Chapter 2: The FSCS

This chapter gives the FSCS the duty to administer the compensation scheme. It also sets out the general conditions the FSCS must follow when administering the scheme, such as having regard to the efficient and economic use of resources, the requirement to publish an Annual Report, and the duty to ensure consumers are informed about how they can make a claim. The rules in this chapter also require the FSCS to have in place procedures for dealing with complaints.

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Chapter 3 The qualifying conditions for paying compensation

This chapter sets out the main qualifying conditions that must be satisfied before the FSCS can pay compensation to claimants. These are that a claimant is eligible to claim; the activity that gave rise to the loss is protected by the scheme; the firm against which the claim is being made is protected by the scheme; and that the claimant has assigned his rights to the scheme. Chapters 4 to 7 expand on the general conditions described in Chapter 3.

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Chapter 4 Eligible claimants

This chapter specifies who is eligible to receive compensation provided by the FSCS.

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Chapter 5 What is a protected claim?

This chapter specifies the activities that are protected by the FSCS.

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Chapter 6 Relevant persons and successors in default

This chapter specifies the circumstances when a firm is in default, that is, when a firm is to be taken as being unable or likely to be unable to meet claims against it. The FSCS can only pay compensation if the circumstances specified in Chapter 6 are met.

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Chapter 7 Assignment of rights

This chapter enables the FSCS to make an offer of compensation conditional on the claimant assigning to it their rights to claim against the failed firm. If the FSCS recovers from the firm a greater sum than it has paid to the claimant, it must pay the balance to the claimant.

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Chapter 8 Rejection of application and withdrawal of offer

This chapter allows the FSCS to reject an application for compensation or withdraw an offer of compensation in specified circumstances.

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Chapter 9 Time limits on payment and postponing payment

This chapter requires the FSCS to pay a claim for compensation within a specified time unless specified conditions apply.

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Chapter 10 Limits on the amount of compensation payable

This chapter specifies the maximum amount of compensation the FSCS can pay to a claimant.

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Chapter 11 Payment of compensation

This chapter specifies to whom the FSCS may pay compensation. In certain circumstances compensation may be paid to a person other than the claimant.





INTRO Chapter 12 Calculating compensation

> This chapter specifies how the FSCS will calculate the amount of compensation it can pay to a claimant.

INTRO Chapter 13 Funding

> Chapter 13 relating to the funding of the FSCS has now been deleted. The funding provisions for the FSCS are now contained in FEES 6 instead and allow the FSCS to make levies on authorised firms to fund the operation of the scheme or to pay compensation. FEES 6 specifies how FSCS can make levies, how costs are to be allocated, the maximum the FSCS can levy in any particular period of time, and how sums recovered from failed firms are to be treated.

INTRO INTRO Appendix 1: FCA rules in connection with the LCF Compensation Scheme

Chapter 1

Introduction and Overview



1.1 Application, Introduction, and **Purpose**

Application

- 1.1.1 This chapter is relevant to:
 - (1) the FSCS;
 - (2) eligible claimants;
 - (3) firms; and
 - (4) successors.
- G 1.1.2 This sourcebook is principally relevant to the FSCS. It sets out the circumstances in which compensation may be paid, to whom compensation may be paid, and on whom the FSCS can impose levies to meet the costs of paying compensation (see in particular COMP 3, 4, and ■ FEES 6). It also describes how the FSCS is to calculate compensation in particular cases (see ■ COMP 12).
- 1.1.3 G Claimants and their advisers will be particularly interested in the sections of this sourcebook which deal with eligibility for claiming compensation, the way that the FSCS calculates compensation, and how they can make a claim. For convenience, the relevant parts of this sourcebook are highlighted in a list of questions and answers in ■ COMP 1.3.3 G.
- G 1.1.4 Firms will be particularly interested in FEES 6, which deals with levies, and ■ COMP 1.6.1R, which requires firms to deal with the FSCS in an open, cooperative and timely way.

Introduction

- G 1.1.5 The FSA established the Financial Services Compensation Scheme Limited, a company limited by guarantee (FSCS). The FSCS exercises the functions that are conferred on the scheme manager by Part XV of the Act, dealing with compensation.
- G 1.1.6 The FCA and PRA are also required, under section 213 of the Act (The compensation scheme), to make rules establishing a compensation scheme. The FCA's rules are set out in the remaining chapters of this sourcebook, and are directed to the FSCS, claimants and potential claimants, and firms. The PRA's rules dealing with claims for deposits and under contracts of insurance are set out in the PRA Rulebook.

Purpose

1.1.7 The FSCS will only pay claims if a firm or a successor is unable or likely to be unable to meet claims against it because of its financial circumstances. If a firm (or, where applicable, a successor) is still trading and has sufficient financial resources to satisfy a claim, the firm (or, where applicable, the successor) will be expected to meet the claim itself. This can, for example, be an amount the firm agrees with the claimant, or the amount of an Ombudsman award from the Financial Ombudsman Service.

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- 1.1.9 **G** [deleted]
- 1.1.9A G This sourcebook is one of the means by which the FCA will meet its statutory objectives of securing an appropriate degree of protection for consumers and protecting and enhancing the integrity of the UK financial system.
- **1.1.9B G** [deleted]
- 1.1.10 **G** [deleted]
- **1.1.10B G** [deleted]



1.2 The FSCS

- G 1.2.1 While this sourcebook deals with the main powers and duties of the FSCS, it does not provide the complete picture. Other aspects of the operation of the FSCS are dealt with through the powers of the Financial Services Compensation Scheme Limited under company law (such as the power to borrow, to take on premises, etc.).
- 1.2.2 G (1) [deleted]
 - (2) [deleted]
- 1.2.2A G (1) In addition, the Act itself confers certain powers upon the FSCS, such as a power under section 219 of the Act (Scheme Manager's powers to require information) to require *persons* to provide information. These powers are not, therefore, covered by this sourcebook.
 - (2) Of specific relevance to the way in which the FSCS fulfils its responsibilities is the relationship between the FSCS and the FCA. This is covered in a Memorandum of Understanding which can be found on the FCA website http://www.fca.org.uk .
- [deleted] 1.2.2B G



1.3 Claimants

- 1.3.1 G The FSCS provides information to claimants and potential claimants about the way the FSCS works and the procedures that need to be followed when making a claim. The FSCS can be contacted at Financial Services Compensation Scheme, 10th Floor, Beaufort House, 15 St Botolph Street, London EC3A 7QU, or by telephone or fax (Tel: 0800 678 1100 or Fax: 020 7741 4100).
- 1.3.2 G Information about the operation of the FSCS and how to claim is also available from the FSCS website (www.fscs.org.uk).
- 1.3.3 **G** Areas of particular interest to claimants (see *COMP* 1.1.3G).

This Table belongs to ■ COMP 1.1.3 G.

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Q1	What do I need to do in order to receive compensation?				
A1	In orde	In order to receive compensation:			
	(-1)	If your claim is for a deposit or under a contract of insurance, see the <i>PRA's</i> Depositor Protection or Policyholder Protection rules;			
	(1)	you must be an eligible claimant;	COMP 4.2		
	(2)	you must have a protected claim;	COMP 5.2		
	(3)	you must be claiming against a <i>relevant</i> person or a <i>successor</i> ;	COMP 6.2.1 R		
	(4)	where the <i>claim</i> is against a <i>relevant</i> person, the <i>relevant</i> person must be default; or where the <i>claim</i> is against a successor, the successor must be in default.	COMP 6.3; COMP 6.3A		
	In addition, if the FSCS requires you to do so, you must assign your legal rights in the claim to the FSCS.				
	And you must bring your claim to the FSCS COMP 8.2.3 R - within a set time (normally within six years of the date on which your claim against the relevant person occurred).				
	It is possible, in certain circumstances, for someone else to make a <i>claim</i> on your behalf.				
Q2	How much compensation will I be offered?				
	This depends on whether your protected claim				

A2	is:			
	(1)	[deleted]		
	(2)	[deleted]		
	(3)	a claim in connection with protected investment business; or	COMP 5.5	
	(4)	a claim in connection with protected home finance mediation; or	COMP 5.6	
	(5)	a claim in connection with protected non-investment insurance distribution; or	COMP 5.7	
	(6)	a claim in connection with protected debt management business; or	COMP 5.8	
	(7)	a claim in connection with protected funeral plan business.	COMP 5.9	
	Differe claim.	nt limits apply to different types of	COMP 10.2.3 R	
Q3	How will the FSCS calculate the compensation that is offered to me?			
А3	Again, this will depend on whether your <i>pro-</i> tected claim is:			
	(1)	[deleted]		
	(2)	[deleted]		
	(3)	a claim in connection with protected investment business; or	COMP 12.2.1 R, COMP 12.3.5 R and COMP 12.4.2 R	
	(4)	a claim in connection with protected home finance mediation; or	COMP 12.4.17 R	
	(5) a claim in connection with protected non-investment insurance distribution; or		COMP 12.4.20 R	
	(6)	a claim in connection with protected debt management business; or		
	(7)	a claim in connection with protected funeral plan business.	COMP 12.4.21BR	
	Certain claim r method	COMP 12.4.5 R		
Q4	[deleted]			



1.4 **EEA Firms** [deleted]

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1.5 **Application to Lloyd's**

Compensation arrangements for individual members

- 1.5.7 G The compensation scheme will not compensate members or former members if firms are unable to satisfy claims made in connection with regulated activities relating to their participation in Lloyd's syndicates. Separate rules and guidance are therefore needed.
- 1.5.8 The Society must maintain byelaws establishing appropriate and effective arrangements to compensate individual members and former members who were individual members if underwriting agents are unable, or likely to be unable, to satisfy claims by those members relating to regulated activities carried on in connection with their participation in Lloyd's syndicates.
- 1.5.9 For the purposes of ■ COMP 1.5.8 R "individual member" includes a member which is a *limited liability partnership* or a *body corporate* whose members consist only of, or of the nominees for, a single natural person or a group of connected persons.
- G 1.5.10 The arrangements referred to in ■ COMP 1.5.8 R:
 - (1) will not compensate losses arising only as a result of underwriting or investment risk to which individual members or former members who were individual members are or were exposed by their participation in Lloyd's syndicates;
 - (2) may be restricted to compensation for losses arising out of fraud, dishonesty or failure to account; and
 - (3) should cover all regulated activities carried on by underwriting agents relating to Lloyd's syndicate capacity and syndicate membership.
- 1.5.11 The arrangements referred to in ■ COMP 1.5.8 R should have a governance structure that is operationally independent from the Society, but which is nevertheless accountable to the Society for the proper administration of the compensation arrangements.
- 1.5.12 R A contravention of ■ COMP 1.5.8 R does not give rise to a right of action by a private person under section 138D of the Act (Actions for damages) and that rule is specified under Section 138D(3) of the Act as a provision giving rise to no such right of action.



1.6 Cooperation with the FSCS

1.6.1 R A firm must deal with the FSCS in an open, cooperative and timely way.

Chapter 2

The FSCS



2.1 **Application and Purpose**

Application

2.1.1 This chapter applies to the FSCS.

Purpose

2.1.2 G In order to carry out its functions and put into effect the provisions set out in COMP 3 - ■ COMP 12A (which deal with determining whether compensation is payable, calculating the amount of compensation that should be paid, and making levies on firms), the FSCS needs to have a variety of powers. The purpose of this chapter is to set out these powers, and the restrictions upon them.

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2.2 Duties of the FSCS

Administering the compensation scheme

- The FSCS must administer the compensation scheme in accordance with the rules in this sourcebook and any other rules prescribed by law to ensure that the compensation scheme is administered in a manner that is procedurally fair and in accordance with the European Convention on Human Rights.
- **2.2.2 G** The *FSCS* may:
 - (1) pay compensation to *eligible claimants* when a *relevant person* (or, where applicable, a *successor*) is unable or likely to be unable to meet *claims* against it in accordance with this sourcebook; and
 - (2) make levies on *participant firms*, in accordance with FEES 6 (Financial Services Compensation Scheme Funding), to enable it to pay compensation or meet the costs of discharging its functions under this sourcebook.

Information for claimants

2.2.3 R The FSCS must publish information for claimants and potential claimants on the operation of the compensation scheme.

Assistance to claimants

The FSCS may agree to pay the reasonable costs of an eligible claimant bringing or continuing insolvency proceedings against a relevant person or, where applicable, a successor (whether those proceedings began before or after a determination of default), if the FSCS is satisfied that those proceedings would help it to discharge its functions under the requirements of this sourcebook.

Annual Report

2.2.5 The FSCS must make and publish an annual report on the discharge of its functions (section 218 of the Act (Annual report)).

Finance and resources

2.2.6 The FSCS must have regard to the need to use its resources in the most efficient and economic way in carrying out its functions under the requirements of this sourcebook.

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Publication of defaults

The FSCS must take appropriate steps to ensure that potential claimants are 2.2.7 informed of how they can make a claim for compensation as soon as possible after a determination has been made that a relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor) is in default, whether by the FSCS or the FCA.

Complaints

2.2.8 The FSCS must put in place and publish procedures which satisfy the minimum requirements of procedural fairness and comply with the European Convention on Humans Rights for the handling of any complaints of maladministration relating to any aspect of the operation of the compensation scheme.

Informing the FSCS

- 2.2.9 G The FCA will inform the FSCS if it detects problems in a firm that is likely to give rise to the intervention of the FSCS.
- [deleted] 2.2.10 R

Chapter 3

The qualifying conditions



3.1 **Application and Purpose**

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Application

- 3.1.1 This chapter applies to the FSCS.
- 3.1.2 G It is also relevant to claimants.

Purpose

- G The purpose of this chapter is to set out in general terms the conditions that 3.1.3 must be satisfied before the FSCS can make an offer of compensation or secure continuity of funeral plan contracts.
- 3.1.4 The qualifying conditions for paying compensation are set out in greater detail in ■ COMP 4 - ■ COMP 7.

COMP 3/2



3.2 The qualifying conditions for paying compensation

- The FSCS may pay compensation to an *eligible claimant*, subject to COMP 11 (Payment of compensation), if it is satisfied that:
 - (1) an *eligible claimant* has made an application for compensation (or the *FSCS* is treating the *person* as having done so);
 - (2) the claim is in respect of a *protected claim* against a *relevant person* (or, where applicable, a *successor*) who is *in default*; and
 - (3) where the FSCS so requires, the claimant has assigned the whole or any part of his rights against any one or more of the relevant person, any third party or, where applicable, a successor, to the FSCS, on such terms as the FSCS thinks fit.
 - (4) [deleted]

Treating a person as having claimed

3.2.1A R The *FSCS* may treat *persons* who are or may be entitled to claim compensation as if they had done so.

Claims on behalf of another person

- The FSCS may also pay compensation (and any recovery or other amount payable by the FSCS to the claimant) to a person who makes a claim on behalf of another person if the FSCS is satisfied that the person on whose behalf the claim is made:
 - (1) is or would have been an eligible claimant; and
 - (2) would have been paid compensation by the FSCS had he been able to make the *claim* himself, or to pursue his application for compensation further.
- **3.2.3** G Examples of the circumstances covered by COMP 3.2.2 R are:
 - (1) when personal representatives make a *claim* on behalf of the deceased;
 - (2) when trustees make a claim on behalf of beneficiaries (for further provisions relating to claims by trustees, see ■ COMP 12A.1.1R to ■ 12A.1.7R);

- (3) when the donee of an enduring power of attorney or a lasting power of attorney makes a *claim* on behalf of the donor of the power;
- (4) when the Court of Protection makes a claim on behalf of a person incapable by reason of mental disorder of managing and administering his property and affairs;
- (5) when an eligible claimant makes a claim for compensation but dies before his *claim* is determined.
- (6) in relation to a funeral plan claim which was bought by one individual to provide a funeral on the death of another individual, when the first individual makes a claim.
- 3.2.4 The FSCS may also pay compensation to a firm, who makes a claim in connection with protected non-investment insurance distribution on behalf of its customers, if the FSCS is satisfied that:
 - (1) each customer has borne a shortfall in client money held by the firm caused by a secondary pooling event arising out of the failure of a broker or settlement agent which is a relevant person in default;
 - (2) the *customers* in respect of which compensation is to be paid satisfy the conditions set out in ■ COMP 3.2.2 R (1);
 - (3) the customers do not have a claim against the relevant person directly, nor a claim against the firm, in respect of the same loss;
 - (4) the customers would have been paid compensation by FSCS if the customers had a claim for their share of the shortfall, and if the firm were the relevant person; and
 - (5) the firm has agreed, on such terms as the FSCS thinks fit, to pay, or credit the accounts of, without deduction, each relevant customer in (1), that part of the compensation equal to the customer's financial loss, subject to the limits in ■ COMP 10.2.
 - (6) in relation to a funeral plan claim which was bought by one individual to provide a funeral on the death of another individual, when the first individual makes a claim.

Special cases

3.2.5 See ■ COMP 12A (Special cases) for how the FSCS may pay compensation in certain cases.



3.3 Continuity of funeral plan contracts

Ability to secure continuity of funeral plan contracts

- The FSCS may make arrangements to secure continuity of a funeral plan contract for an eligible claimant who has a funeral plan contract if:
 - (1) the contract is with a *relevant person* (or, where applicable, a *successor*) that is *in default*;
 - (2) it is reasonably practicable to do so;
 - (3) in the opinion of the FSCS at the time it proposes to make the arrangements, it would be beneficial to the generality of *eligible claimants* covered by the proposed arrangements; and
 - (4) in situations where the cost of securing continuity of *funeral plan* contracts might exceed the cost of paying compensation, any additional cost is likely to be justified by the benefits.
- When assessing the cost of paying compensation, the FSCS may have regard to the likely total cost of paying compensation arising out of the default, net of recoveries, not just the compensation amounts likely to be payable to particular eligible claimants covered by the proposed arrangements for continuity.

Quality of funeral under new arrangements

- 3.3.3 R | In securing continuity of a *funeral plan contract*:
 - (1) the FSCS must seek to secure the provision of a funeral for the eligible claimant under the new or continuing funeral plan contract on terms corresponding in all material respects (so far as it appears to the FSCS to be reasonable in the circumstances) to those which have applied under the funeral plan contract;
 - (2) if the FSCS secures continuity of a funeral plan contract other than as in (1), then the FSCS must:
 - (a) give the *eligible claimant* the option of receiving compensation instead; and
 - (b) (if the claimant does not elect to receive compensation) ensure that any future premiums that the claimant is committed to paying under the contract will be reduced by an amount (if any) that the FSCS considers reasonable to reflect the change in terms.

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Measures to be taken

- In order to secure continuity of funeral plan contracts, the FSCS may take 3.3.4 such measures as it considers appropriate to:
 - (1) secure or facilitate the transfer of the business of the *relevant person* or successor that is in default and which consists of carrying out funeral plan contracts or any part of that business to another firm; and/or
 - (2) secure the issue of funeral plan contracts by another firm to eligible claimants in substitution for their existing contracts.
- 3.3.5 R In making arrangements to secure continuity of funeral plan contracts, the FSCS must use its reasonable endeavours to seek the most cost-effective arrangements available.
- G 3.3.6 For trust arrangements and contracts of insurance relating to funeral plan contracts, ■ COMP 7.7 gives the FSCS powers to vary existing rights or obligations, and create new rights in favour of, or obligations to, the FSCS. These powers may be exercised to assist in securing continuity of *funeral* plan contracts.

Provision of funerals while seeking continuity

- (1) While the FSCS is seeking to secure continuity of funeral plan contracts, it may secure the provision of a funeral, which is due to be provided under any protected funeral plan contract of the relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor), on terms corresponding in all material respects (so far as it appears to the FSCS to be reasonable in the circumstances) to that contract.
- (2) The provision of a funeral is required regardless of whether the cost of securing its provision is more or less than the cost of paying compensation.
- (3) To secure the provision of a funeral, the FSCS may:
 - (a) make a payment to or on behalf of the estate of an eligible claimant, or to any other person in connection with the provision of a funeral, on such terms (including any terms requiring repayment in whole or in part) and on such conditions as it thinks fit; or
 - (b) secure that a payment is made to or on behalf of the estate of the eligible claimant, or to any other person in connection with the provision of a funeral, by the liquidator, administrator or provisional liquidator of the relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor), or by the trustees of any trust arrangement or insurer of any contract of insurance relating to the funeral plan contract, by giving them an indemnity covering any such payment or any class or description of such payments.

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Chapter 4

Eligible claimants



4.1 **Application and Purpose**

Application

- 4.1.1 This chapter applies to the FSCS.
- 4.1.2 G It is also relevant to those who may wish to bring a *claim* for compensation.

Purpose

The purpose of this chapter is to set out the types of *person* who are able to 4.1.3 claim compensation or benefit from the protection the FSCS is able to provide. A claimant needs to be an eligible claimant to satisfy COMP 3.2.1R(1).

COMP 4/2



4.2 Who is eligible to benefit from the protection provided by the FSCS?

- **4.2.1** R An *eligible claimant* is any *person* who at any material time:
 - (1) did not come within COMP 4.2.2 R; or
 - (2) did come within COMP 4.2.2 R, but satisfied the relevant exception in COMP 4.3 or COMP 4.4.

Persons not eligible to claim unless COMP 4.3 applies (see COMP 4.2.1R)

4.2.2 R

This table belongs to COMP 4.2.1R

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(1)	Firms (other than a sole trader firm; a credit union; a trustee of a stakeholder pension scheme (which is not an occupational pension scheme) or personal pension scheme; a firm carrying on the regulated activity of operating, or winding up, a stakeholder pension scheme (which is not an occupational pension scheme) or personal pension scheme; or a small business; in each case, whose claim arises out of a regulated activity for which they do not have a permission)			
(2)	Overs	Overseas financial services institutions		
(3)	Collective investment schemes, and anyone who is the operator or depositary of such a scheme.			
(4)	Pension and retirement funds, and anyone who is a trustee of such a fund. However, this exclusion does not apply to:			
	(a)	a trustee of a personal pension scheme or a stake- holder pension scheme (which is not an occupational pension scheme); or		
	(b)	a trustee of an occupational pension scheme insofar as members' benefits are money-purchase benefits; or		
	(c)	insofar as members' benefits are not money-purchase benefits, a trustee of an occupational pension scheme of an employer which is not a large company, large partnership or large mutual association.		
(5)	Supranational institutions, governments, and central administrative authorities			
(6)	Provincial, regional, local and municipal authorities			
(7)	Directors of the relevant person in default or, in respect of a claim against a successor in default, directors of any successor or directors of the relevant person. However, this exclusion			

does not apply if:

	(a)	(i)	the relevant person in default is a mutual association which is not a large mutual association and the directors do not receive a salary or other remuneration for services performed by them for the relevant person in default; or	
		(ii)	in respect of a claim against a successor in default, the relevant person or a successor, to whichever the directorship relates, is a mutual association which is not a large mutual association and the directors do not receive a salary or other remuneration for services performed by them for the relevant person or a successor, as applicable; or	
	(b)	(i)	the relevant person in default is a credit union; or	
		(ii)	in respect of a claim against a successor in de- fault, the relevant person or a successor, to whichever the directorship relates, is a credit union.	
(8)	[delet	leleted]		
(9)	defau bodies	ies corporate in the same group as the relevant person in ult or, in respect of a claim against a successor in default, ies corporate in the same group as a successor or the relevoerson, as applicable, unless that body corporate is:		
	(a)	a trustee of a stakeholder pension scheme (which is not an occupational pension scheme) or a personal pension scheme (but in each case if the trustee is a firm it will only be an eligible claimant if its claim arises out of a regulated activity for which it does not have a permission); or		
	(aa)	a trustee of:		
		(i)	an occupational pension scheme in relation to members' benefits which are money-purchase benefits; or	
		(ii)	(unless (i) applies) an occupational pension scheme of an employer which is not a large com- pany, large partnership or large mutual associ- ation; or	
	(b)	ing up	ng on the regulated activity of operating or windo a stakeholder pension scheme (which is not an ational pension scheme) or personal pension see.	
(10)	[delet	ted]		
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(12)	Persons who, in the opinion of the FSCS, are responsible for, or have contributed to, the relevant person's (or, where applicable, a successor's) default		
(13)	Large companies		
(14)	Large partnerships		
(15)	Persons whose claim arises from transactions in connection with which they have been convicted of an offence of money laundering.		
(16)	[deleted]		
(17)	Where the <i>claim</i> is in relation to <i>protected non-investment in-surance distribution</i> , <i>bodies corporate</i> , <i>partnerships</i> , <i>mutual</i> associations and unincorporated associations which are not <i>small businesses</i> .		
(18)	Alternative investment funds, and anyone who is the AIFM or depositary of an alternative investment fund.		
(19)	Large mutual associations		
(20)	Where the <i>claim</i> is in relation to <i>protected debt management</i> business, any person other than a natural person.		
(21)	In relation to a <i>claim</i> in connection with <i>funeral plan provision activity</i> , a <i>customer</i> where the <i>FSCS</i> consider that the <i>claim</i> could be made by a different <i>covered individual</i> who is an <i>eligible claimant</i> .		

4.2.3 R [deleted]



4.3 **Exceptions: Circumstances where a** person coming within COMP 4.2.2R may receive compensation

- 4.3.1 R [deleted]
- 4.3.2 R [deleted]
- 4.3.3 R [deleted]
- 4.3.4 R [deleted]
- 4.3.5 R [deleted]

Liability subject to compulsory insurance

4.3.6 A person who comes within COMP 4.2.2R is eligible to claim compensation in respect of a liability subject to compulsory insurance if the claim is in connection with protected non-investment insurance distribution.

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Protected home finance mediation

4.3.7 There are no exceptions to *COMP* 4.2.2R for *claims* made in connection with protected home finance mediation.

Eligibility to claim in specified circumstances

- 4.3.8 R The FSCS may treat a *person* who comes within category (7) or (12) of COMP 4.2.2 R as eligible to claim compensation where:
 - (1) this is desirable to achieve the efficient performance of any of its functions, including without limitation; to achieve the efficient payment of compensation; and
 - (2) treating these *persons* as eligible to claim compensation would, in the opinion of the *FSCS*, be beneficial to the generality of *eligible claimants* who will be affected by the action in (1).

Protected investment business

- 4.3.9 A *person* is eligible to claim compensation for claims made in connection with *protected investment business* if, at the date at which the *relevant person* (or, where applicable, a *successor*) is deemed to be in default, he:
 - (1) came within category (14) of COMP 4.2.2 R and he does not exceed the limits for a *body corporate* which qualifies as a small company under section 247 of the Companies Act 1985 or section 382 of the Companies Act 2006 as applicable; or
 - (2) came within category (19) of COMP 4.2.2 R.

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4.4 **Exceptions: Relevant general** insurance contracts: mesothelioma claims

R [deleted] Claims for contribution by responsible persons R [deleted] R [deleted] R [deleted] Limits to amounts payable for contribution claims

COMP 4/8

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Chapter 5

Protected claims



5.1 **Application and Purpose**

Application

- 5.1.1 This chapter applies to the FSCS.
- 5.1.2 G It is also relevant to claimants.

Purpose

5.1.3 The purpose of this chapter is to set out the various categories of *claim* for which compensation may be payable.

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5.2 What is a protected claim?

- **5.2.1** R A protected claim is:
 - (1) [deleted]
 - (2) [deleted]
 - (3) a claim in connection with protected investment business (see COMP 5.5); or
 - (4) a claim in connection with protected home finance mediation (see COMP 5.6); or
 - (5) a claim in connection with protected non-investment insurance distribution (see COMP 5.7); or
 - (6) a claim in connection with protected debt management business (see COMP 5.8); or
 - (7) a *claim* in connection with *protected funeral plan business* (see COMP 5.9).
- **5.2.2 G** () [deleted]
 - Claims in respect of Law Society members
- Notwithstanding COMP 5.2.1 R and paragraph (1)(d) of the definition of participant firm, where the relevant person is in default:
 - (1) is an *authorised professional firm* that is subject to the rules of the Law Society (England and Wales) or the Law Society of Scotland; and
 - (2) with respect to its *regulated activities*, does not participate in the relevant society's compensation scheme:

a *claim* with respect to that *person* is only a *protected claim* if, when the basis for the *claim* arose, that *person* did not participate in the relevant society's compensation scheme with respect to its *regulated activities*.

Claims in respect of successors

G Where a claim for compensation is in respect of a *claim* against a *successor*, the following rules apply to the *relevant person* for whose liabilities the

successor has assumed responsibility (or to such relevant person's activities, as the case may be):

- (1) COMP 5.5.1R;
- (2) COMP 5.5.2R;
- (3) COMP 5.5.3R;
- (4) COMP 5.6.1R;
- (5) COMP 5.6.2R;
- (6) COMP 5.7.2R;
 - COMP 5.8.1R; and
- (8) COMP 5.9.1R and COMP 5.9.2R.



5.5 Protected investment business

5.5.1 R Protected investment business is:

- (1) designated investment business carried on by the relevant person with, or for the benefit of, the claimant (so long as that claimant has a claim), or as agent on the claimant's behalf;
- (2) the activities of the manager or *trustee* of an *AUT*, provided that the *claim* is made by a *holder*;
- (3) the activities of the ACD or depositary of an ICVC, provided that the claim is made by a holder;
- (4) the activities of the *authorised contractual scheme manager* or *depositary* of an ACS, provided that the *claim* is made by a *holder*;
- (5) [deleted]
- (5A) the activities by a recognised investment exchange of operating a multilateral trading facility or operating an organised trading facility,
- (6) the intermediation of structured deposits,

provided that the territorial scope condition in ■ COMP 5.5.2 R is satisfied and, for a *firm* acting as the manager or *depositary* of a *fund*, one of the conditions in ■ COMP 5.5.3 R is satisfied.

Territorial scope condition

5.5.2 R

The territorial scope condition is that the *protected investment business* was carried on from:

- (1) an establishment of the *relevant person* in the *United Kingdom*; or
 - [deleted]
- (3) [deleted]
 - [deleted]
- (5) [deleted]
- (6) an establishment in an *EEA State* of the *relevant person*, if it is a *TP firm* (other than a *supervised run-off firm*) that is:

- (a) managing a UK UCITS; or
- (b) managing an AIF that is an authorised fund.

Managers and depositaries of funds

5.5.3 The conditions referred to in ■ COMP 5.5.1 R for a manager or depositary of a fund are:

- (1) for the activities of managing an AIF, managing a UK UCITS or establishing, operating or winding up a collective investment scheme, the *claim* is in respect of an investment in:
 - (a) an authorised fund; or
 - (b) any other fund which has its registered office or head office in the UK or is otherwise domiciled in the UK unless it is an AIF that is a body corporate and not a collective investment scheme;
- (2) where a firm is acting as depositary of a fund, the claim is in respect of their activities for:
 - (a) an authorised fund; or
 - (b) a charity AIF unless it is a body corporate that is not a collective investment scheme.

Advising without a personal recommendation

5.5.4 The FSCS must treat a claim relating to advice in relation to a designated investment that falls outside article 53(1) of the Regulated Activities Order by virtue of article 53(1A) of that Order as being 'in connection with protected investment business' for the purposes of ■ COMP 5.2.1R(3) where the relevant person giving the advice, at the time the act or omission giving rise to the *claim* took place:

- (1) had, or required, permission to carry on; or
- (2) (in the case of an appointed representative) was exempt from the general prohibition in respect of,

an activity that was designated investment business.



5.6 Protected home finance mediation

- **5.6.1** Protected home finance mediation is:
 - (1) advising on a home finance transaction; or
 - (2) arranging (bringing about) a home finance transaction; or
 - (3) making arrangements with a view to a home finance transaction; or
 - (4) agreeing to carry on a regulated activity in (1) to (3); or
 - (5) the activities of a home finance provider which would be arranging but for article 28A of the Regulated Activities Order (Arranging contracts or plans to which the arranger is a party);

provided that the condition in ■ COMP 5.6.2 R is satisfied.

- ECOMP 5.6.1 R applies only if the protected home finance mediation was carried on by a relevant person with a customer who was a resident in the United Kingdom at the time the protected home finance mediation was carried on.
- This section does not apply in respect of a regulated mortgage contract which is:
 - (1) a legacy CCA mortgage contract; or
 - (2) a CBTL credit agreement.



5.7 Protected non-investment insurance distribution

- 5.7.1 Protected non-investment insurance distribution is an insurance distribution activity where the investment concerned is a relevant general insurance contract or a pure protection contract but which is not a long-term care insurance contract or a reinsurance contract, provided that the conditions in ■ COMP 5.7.2 R are satisfied.
- 5.7.2 R ■ COMP 5.7.1 R only applies if the conditions in (1) and (2) are satisfied:
 - (1) the protected non-investment insurance distribution was carried on from an establishment of the relevant person in the United Kingdom; and
 - (2) the claimant making the *claim* (or where COMP 3.2.4 R applies, the customer on behalf of whom a firm makes a claim) dealt initially, with a view to entering into a relevant general insurance contract or a pure protection contract but not a long-term care insurance contract or a reinsurance contract, with an intermediary that was established in the *United Kingdom*.
- 5.7.3 The FSCS will not cover a claim against an intermediary or a successor of an intermediary that meets the criteria of ■ COMP 5.7.2R(2) where the claimant was introduced to that intermediary by an intermediary that does not meet the criteria of ■ COMP 5.7.2R(2).
- 5.7.4 The FSCS will not cover a claim in respect of an intermediary that is not a relevant person, for example a retailer selling extended warranties that are connected contracts. However, ■ COMP 5.7.2 R has the effect that a claim in respect of a relevant person further up the chain carrying on protected noninvestment insurance distribution in accordance with ■ COMP 5.7.2R(1) may be covered by the FSCS if the claimant dealt initially with a UK intermediary that is not a relevant person.

COMP 5/8

Advising without a personal recommendation

5.7.5

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The FSCS must treat a claim relating to advice on a relevant general insurance contract or a pure protection contract (which is not a long-term insurance contract or a reinsurance contract) that falls outside article 53(1) of the Regulated Activities Order by virtue of article 53(1A) of that Order as being 'in connection with protected non-investment insurance business' for the purposes of ■ COMP 5.2.1R(5) where the relevant person giving the advice, at the time the act or omission giving rise to the claim took place:

- (1) had, or required, permission to carry on; or
- (2) (in the case of an *appointed representative*) was exempt from the *general prohibition* in respect of,

an activity that was non-investment insurance business.

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5.8 **Protected debt management** business

5.8.1

Protected debt management business is debt management activity carried out by a CASS debt management firm from an establishment maintained by it in the *United Kingdom*, but only in so far as the *claim* relates to a *shortfall* in *client money*.



5.9 Protected funeral plan business

- 5.9.1 R Protected funeral plan business is a regulated funeral plan activity carried on by a relevant person from an establishment maintained by the relevant person (or its appointed representative) in the United Kingdom.
- 5.9.2 R COMP 5.9.1R does not apply in relation to a *claim* against an intermediary (or where applicable, their *successor*) where the *eligible claimant* did not deal initially with an intermediary that was established in the *United Kingdom*.

Advising without a personal recommendation

- The FSCS must treat a claim relating to advice in relation to a funeral plan contract that falls outside article 53(1) of the Regulated Activities Order by virtue of article 53(1A) of that Order as being 'in connection with protected funeral plan business' for the purposes of COMP 5.2.1R(7) where the relevant person giving the advice, at the time the act or omission giving rise to the claim took place:
 - (1) had, or required, permission to carry on; or
 - (2) (in the case of an *appointed representative*) was exempt from the *general prohibition* in respect of,

an activity that was protected funeral plan business.

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Chapter 6

Relevant persons and successors in default

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6.1 **Application and Purpose**

Application

- 6.1.1 This chapter applies to the FSCS.
- 6.1.2 G It is also relevant to claimants.

Purpose

- G 6.1.3 The purpose of this chapter is to specify the types of *person* against whom a claimant must have a claim in order to be eligible for compensation, and when those persons are 'in default'. Generally, this occurs when they are insolvent or unable to meet their liabilities to claimants.
- 6.1.4 G To be eligible for compensation a claimant's claim must be against a relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor) in default: see ■ COMP 3.2.1 R (2).

COMP 6/2



6.2 Who is a relevant person?

- A relevant person is a person who was, at the time the act or omission giving rise to the claim against it took place:
 - (1) a participant firm; or
 - (2) an appointed representative of a participant firm.
- **6.2.2 G** [deleted]
- 6.2.2A R The FSCS may pay compensation in respect of the activities of a relevant person:
 - (1) (if it was a *firm*) whether or not it was acting within the scope of its *permission*;
 - (2) (if it was an appointed representative) whether or not it was acting within the scope of the business for which its *principal* had accepted responsibility;
 - (3) (if it was a recognised investment exchange) whether or not it was acting in accordance with any recognition requirements resulting from section 286 of the Act and relating to the regulated activity of operating a multilateral trading facility or operating an organised trading facility.

[Note: sections 39(3) and 213(3)(a) of the Act]

- 6.2.3 G A pre-IP completion day incoming EEA firm may be a participant firm in respect of acts or omissions before IP completion daythat give rise to a claim against it.
- A TP firm to which regulation 8 or 11 of the EU Exit Passport Regulations applies, that is not to be regarded as a relevant person under section 213(9A) of the Act (as inserted by regulation 24 of the EU Exit Passport Regulations) is not a participant firm. A TP firm to which regulation 28 or 34 of the EU Exit Passport Regulations applies, that is not to be regarded as a relevant person under section 213(9A) of the Act (as inserted by regulation 70 of the EU Exit Passport Regulations) is not a participant firm. For the purposes of the FCA's compensation rules, this means that most (but not all) TP firms operating in the UK without an establishment are not participant firms.

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Schedule 6A to the Act sets out a procedure to enable the FCA to cancel or vary the Part 4A permission of a person who, it appears to the FCA, is not carrying on the regulated activity to which the Part 4A permission relates. In some cases, this may result in the person no longer being a relevant person following cancellation of all their Part 4A permissions. Paragraph 5 of Schedule 6A to the Act sets out a procedure for the subsequent annulment of the decision to cancel or vary the person's Part 4A permission in specified circumstances where the FCA is satisfied that it is just and reasonable to do so. Where the FCA grants an application for annulment, either with conditions or unconditionally, paragraph 6 of Schedule 6A to the Act sets out its effect, which includes that the cancellation or variation of the Part 4A permission is treated as if it had never taken place. As a result of the effect of the annulment, the person may therefore be a relevant person for the purposes of any claims which arise during the period in which the person's Part 4A permission was cancelled or varied.

COMP 6/4



6.3 When is a relevant person in default?

- **6.3.1 R** A relevant person is in default if:
 - (1) (except in relation to an *ICD claim*) the *FSCS* has determined it to be in default under COMP 6.3.2 R, COMP 6.3.3 R or COMP 6.3.4 R; or
 - (2) (in relation to an ICD claim):
 - (a) the FCA has determined it to be in default under COMP 6.3.2 R; or
 - (b) a judicial authority has made a ruling that had the effect of suspending the ability of *eligible claimants* to bring *claims* against the *participant firm*, if that is earlier than (a); and

if a *relevant person* is *in default* in relation to an *ICD claim* it shall be deemed to be *in default* in relation to any other type of *protected claim*.

- **6.3.1A G Note:** article 2(2) of the *Investor Compensation Directive*
- 6.3.2 The FSCS (or, where COMP 6.3.1 R(2)(a) applies, the FCA) may determine a relevant person to be in default when it is, in the opinion of the FSCS (or the FCA):
 - (1) unable to satisfy protected claims against it; or
 - (2) likely to be unable to satisfy protected claims against it.
- The FSCS may determine a relevant person to be in default if it is satisfied that a protected claim exists (other than an ICD claim), and the relevant person is the subject of one or more of the following proceedings in the United Kingdom (or of equivalent or similar proceedings in another jurisdiction):
 - (1) the passing of a resolution for a creditors' voluntary winding up;
 - (2) a determination by the FCA or the PRA that the relevant person appears unable to meet claims against it and has no early prospect of being able to do so;
 - (3) the appointment of a liquidator or administrator, or provisional liquidator or interim manager;

- (4) the making of an order by a court of competent jurisdiction for the winding up of a company, the dissolution of a partnership, the administration of a company or partnership, or the bankruptcy of an individual;
- (5) the approval of a company voluntary arrangement, a partnership voluntary arrangement, or of an individual voluntary arrangement;
- (6) a moratorium under Part A1 of the Insolvency Act 1986 being in force.
- 6.3.4 The FSCS may determine a relevant person to be in default if it is satisfied that a protected claim exists (other than an ICD claim), and:
 - (1) the FSCS is satisfied that the relevant person cannot be contacted at its last place of business and that reasonable steps have been taken to establish a forwarding or current address, but without success; and
 - (2) there appears to the FSCS to be no evidence that the relevant person will be able to meet claims made against it.
- G 6.3.4A For the avoidance of doubt, ■ COMP 6.3.3R and ■ COMP 6.3.4R do not limit ■ COMP 6.3.2R.
- 6.3.5 [deleted]
- 6.3.6 R [deleted]
- 6.3.7 R [deleted]

Claims arising under COMP 3.2.4 R

6.3.8 R For the purposes of ■ COMP 6.3 a claim made by a *firm* under ■ COMP 3.2.4 R is to be treated as if it were a protected claim against the relevant person.

Scheme manager's power to require information

6.3.9 R For the purposes of sections 219(1A)(b), (d) and (f) of the Act (Scheme manager's power to require information) whether a relevant person is unable or likely to be unable to satisfy claims shall be determined by reference to whether it is in default.



6.3A When is a successor in default?

6.3A.1 R

A successor is in default if:

the FSCS has determined it to be *in default* under ■ COMP 6.3A.2R, ■ COMP 6.3A.3R, or ■ COMP 6.3A.4R, unless the claim is within (b); or

(in relation to an ICD claim against a successor that is a MiFID investment firm):

the FCA has determined it to be in default under COMP 6.3A.2R; or

a judicial authority has made a ruling that had the effect of suspending the ability of *eligible claimants* to bring *claims* against the *successor*, if that is earlier than (i).

If a successor is in default in relation to an ICD claim within (1)(b) it is to be deemed to be in default in relation to any other type of protected claim.

6.3A.2 R

The FSCS (or, where \blacksquare COMP 6.3A.1R(1)(b)(i) applies, the FCA) may determine a successor to be in default when it is, in the opinion of the FSCS (or the FCA):

- (1) unable to satisfy protected claims against it; or
- (2) likely to be unable to satisfy *protected claims* against it.

6.3A.3

The FSCS may determine a successor to be in default if it is satisfied that a protected claim exists (other than an ICD claim against a successor that is a MiFID investment firm), and the successor is the subject of one or more of the following proceedings in the United Kingdom (or of equivalent or similar proceedings in another jurisdiction):

- (1) the passing of a resolution for a creditors' voluntary winding up; or
- (2) a determination by the FCA or the PRA that the successor appears unable to meet claims against it and has no early prospect of being able to do so; or
- (3) the appointment of a liquidator or administrator, or provisional liquidator or interim manager; or
- (4) the making of an order by a court of competent jurisdiction for the winding up of a company, the dissolution of a partnership, the

- administration of a company or partnership, or the bankruptcy of an individual; or
- (5) the approval of a company voluntary arrangement, a partnership voluntary arrangement, or an individual voluntary arrangement; or
- (6) a moratorium under Part A1 of the Insolvency Act 1986 being in force.
- 6.3A.4 The FSCS may determine that a successor to be in default if it is satisfied that a protected claim exists (other than an ICD claim against a successor that is an MiFID investment firm), and:
 - (1) the FSCS is satisfied that the successor cannot be contacted at its last place of business and that reasonable steps have been taken to establish a forwarding or current address, but without success; and
 - (2) there appears to the FSCS to be no evidence that the successor will be able to meet claims made against it.
- 6.3A.4A G For the avoidance of doubt, ■ COMP 6.3A.3R and ■ COMP 6.3A.4R do not limit ■ COMP 6.3A.2R.
- 6.3A.5For the purposes of sections 219(1A)(b), (d) and (f) of the Act (Scheme manager's power to require information) whether a successor is unable or likely to be unable to satisfy claims is to be determined by reference to whether it is in default.

COMP 6/8

Chapter 7

Assignment, subrogation, variation or creation of rights



7.1 **Application**

Application and Purpose

- 7.1.1 R This chapter applies to the FSCS.
- 7.1.2 G It is also relevant to claimants.

Purpose

- 7.1.3 G The FSCS may (and in some cases must) make an offer of compensation conditional on the assignment of rights to it by a claimant. The FSCS may also be subrogated automatically to the claimant's rights. The purpose of this chapter is to make provision for and set out the consequences of an assignment or subrogation of the claimant's rights.
- 7.1.4 G In relation to claims in connection with funeral plan provision activity, the FSCS may:
 - (1) vary existing rights and obligations in connection with trust arrangements and contracts of insurance relating to the relevant funeral plan contract entered into or carried out by the relevant person or successor; and
 - (2) create new rights in favour of, or obligations to, the FSCS that override such existing rights or obligations.

This chapter also makes provision for and sets out the consequences of such a variation or creation of new rights and/or obligations: see ■ COMP 7.7.



7.2 How does the assignment of rights work?

- 7.2.1 R The FSCS may make any payment of compensation to a claimant in respect of any protected claim or, where applicable, may make a payment to secure continuity of funeral plan contracts in accordance with COMP 3.3, conditional on the claimant assigning the whole or any part of their rights against any one or more of the relevant person, any third party, or, where applicable, a successor, to the FSCS on such terms as the FSCS thinks fit.
- 7.2.2 If a claimant assigns the whole or any part of his rights against any *person* to the *FSCS* as a condition of payment, the effect of this is that any sum payable in relation to the rights so assigned will be payable to the *FSCS* and not the claimant.
- 7.2.3
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 (1) Before taking assignment of rights from the claimant under COMP 7.2.1 R, the FSCS must inform the claimant that if, after taking assignment of rights, the FSCS decides not to pursue recoveries using those rights it will, if the claimant so requests in writing, reassign the assigned rights to the claimant. The FSCS must comply with such a request in such circumstances (see COMP 7.4.2 R).
 - (2) [deleted] [Editor's Note: The text of this sub-paragraph has been moved to new COMP 7.4.1 R.]
 - (3) [deleted]
- **7.2.3A R** [deleted]

Electronic assignment

- 7.2.3AA R Where the FSCS has paid compensation in respect of a claim, this has the effect that:
 - (1) an assignment completed and signed electronically in a form prescribed by the FSCS will be deemed to satisfy the formalities for a valid legal assignment;
 - (2) production of a hard copy of the electronically signed assignment form is conclusive evidence (or, in Scotland, sufficient evidence) that the formalities of a legal assignment have been complied with and that a legal assignment has occurred; and

- (3) an assignment completed electronically in the prescribed form is to be treated as having been made by writing under the hand of the assignor for the purposes of section 136 of the Law of Property Act 1925 and any other formal requirement. 7.2.3B R [deleted] G 7.2.3C [deleted] G 7.2.3D [deleted]
- 7.2.3E R [deleted] [Editor's Note: The amended text of this provision has been moved to new ■ COMP 7.6.1 R.]
- 7.2.4 R [deleted] [Editor's Note: The amended text of this provision has been moved to new ■ COMP 7.6.2 R.]
- 7.2.4A [deleted] [Editor's Note: The text of this provision has been moved to new ■ COMP 7.6.3 R.]
- 7.2.5 [deleted] [Editor's Note: The amended text of this provision has been moved to new ■ COMP 7.6.4 R.1
- G 7.2.6 [deleted] [Editor's Note: The text of this provision has been moved to new ■ COMP 7.6.5 G.1

Claims arising under COMP 3.2.4R

- 7.2.7 R (1) For the purposes of compensation paid under ■ COMP 3.2.4 R, FSCS may require any firm (including, but not limited to, the claimant firm) to assign to FSCS any rights the firm may have to claim against the relevant person in relation to the amount of the shortfall in client money arising out of the failure of the relevant person.
 - (2) A firm required by FSCS to assign its rights in (1), must assign those rights as requested, unless it has a reasonable excuse for not doing so.



7.3 Automatic subrogation

General

- **7.3.1** R [deleted]
- 7.3.2 R The FSCS's powers in this section may be used:
 - (1) separately or in any combination as an alternative and in substitution for the powers and processes elsewhere in this sourcebook; and/or
 - (2) [deleted]
 - (3) in relation to all or any part of a *protected claim* or class of *protected claim* made with respect to the *relevant person* (or, where applicable, a *successor*).
 - (4) [deleted]
- 7.3.3 The FSCS may determine that the exercise of any power in this section is subject to such incidental, consequential or supplemental conditions as the FSCS considers appropriate.

Determinations by the FSCS

- 7.3.4 R
- (1) Any power conferred on the FSCS to make determinations under this section is exercisable in writing.
- (2) An instrument by which the FSCS makes the determination must specify the provision under which it is made, the date and time from which it takes effect and the relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor) and protected claims, parts of protected claims and/or classes of protected claims in respect of which it applies.
- (3) The FSCS must take appropriate steps to publish the determination as soon as possible after it is made. Such publication must be accompanied by a statement explaining the effect of COMP 7.4.2 R.
- (4) Failure to comply with any requirement in this *rule* does not affect the validity of the determination.
- (5) A determination by the *FSCS* under this section may be amended, remade or revoked at any time and subject to the same conditions.

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Verification of determinations

- 7.3.5
- (1) The production of a copy of a determination purporting to be made by the FSCS under this section:
 - (a) on which is endorsed a certificate, signed by a member of the FSCS's staff authorised by it for that purpose; and
 - (b) which contains the required statements;

is evidence (or in Scotland sufficient evidence) of the facts stated in the certificate.

- (2) The required statements are:
 - (a) that the determination was made by the FSCS; and
 - (b) that the copy is a true copy of the determination.
- (3) A certificate purporting to be signed as mentioned in (1) is to be taken to have been properly signed unless the contrary is shown.
- (4) A person who wishes in any legal proceedings to rely on a determination may require the FSCS to endorse a copy of the determination with a certificate of the kind mentioned in (1).

Effect of this section on other provisions in this sourcebook etc

- 7.3.6 R
- Other provisions in this sourcebook and FEES 6 are modified to the extent necessary to give full effect to the powers provided for in this section.
- 7.3.7 R
- Other than as expressly provided for, nothing in this section is to be taken as limiting or modifying the rights or obligations of or powers conferred on the ESCS elsewhere in this sourcebook or in ■ FEES 6.

Rights and obligations against the relevant persons, successors and third parties

- 7.3.8
- The FSCS may determine that:
 - (1) the payment of compensation by the FSCS; or

- (2) a payment by the FSCS in connection with securing continuity of funeral plan contracts;
 - shall have all or any of the following effects:
- (3) the FSCS shall immediately and automatically be subrogated, subject to such conditions as the FSCS determines are appropriate, to all or any part (as determined by the FSCS) of the rights and claims in the United Kingdom and elsewhere of the claimant against the relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor) and/or any third party (whether such rights are legal, equitable or of any other nature whatsoever and in whatever capacity the relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor) or third party is acting) in respect of or arising out of the claim in respect of which the payment of or on account of compensation was made;
- (4) the FSCS may claim and take legal or any other proceedings or steps in the *United Kingdom* or elsewhere to enforce such rights in its own name or in the name of, and on behalf of, the claimant, or in both names against the *relevant person* (or, where applicable, a *successor*) and/or any third party;
- (5) the subrogated rights and claims conferred on the FSCS shall be rights of recovery and claims against the relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor) and/or any third party which are equivalent (including as to amount and priority and whether or not the relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor) is insolvent) to and do not exceed the rights and claims that the claimant would have had; and/ or
- (6) such rights and/or obligations (as determined by the FSCS) as between the relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor) and the claimant arising out of the protected claim in respect of which the payment was made shall be transferred to, and subsist between, another authorised person (or, where a successor is not an authorised person, an authorised person) with an appropriate permission and the claimant provided that the authorised person has consented (but the transferred rights and/or obligations shall be treated as existing between the relevant person (or where applicable, a successor) and the FSCS to the extent of any subrogation, transfer or assignment for the purposes of (3) to (5) and COMP 7.3.9 R).
- 7.3.9 R
- The FSCS may alternatively or additionally make the actions in ■COMP 7.3.8R conditional on the claimant assigning or transferring the whole or any part of all such rights as they may have against the *relevant person* (or, where applicable, a *successor*) and/or any third party on such terms as the FSCS determines are appropriate.
- 7.3.10 R
- (1) The FSCS may determine that:
 - (a) if the claimant does not assign or transfer his rights under COMP 7.3.9 R;
 - (b) if it is impractical to obtain such an assignment or transfer; and/or
 - (c) if it is otherwise necessary or desirable in conjunction with the exercise of the FSCS's powers under COMP 7.3.8 R or
 COMP 7.3.9 R;

that claimant shall be treated as having irrevocably and unconditionally appointed the chairman of the FSCS for the time being to be his attorney and agent and on his behalf and in his name or otherwise to do such things and execute such deeds and documents as may be required under such laws of the United Kingdom or any other state or law-country to create or give effect to such assignment or transfer or otherwise give full effect to those powers.

(2) The execution of any deed or document under (1) shall be as effective as if made in writing by the claimant or by his agent lawfully authorised in writing or by will.



7.4 Duty on FSCS to pursue recoveries

- 7.4.1 If the FSCS takes assignment or transfer of rights from the claimant or is otherwise subrogated to the rights of the claimant, it must pursue all and only such recoveries as it considers are likely to be both reasonably possible and cost effective to pursue.
- 7.4.2 If the FSCS decides not to pursue such recoveries and a claimant wishes to pursue those recoveries himself and so requests in writing, the FSCS must comply with that request and assign the rights back to the claimant.



7.6 **Treatment of recoveries**

- 7.6.1 If the FSCS makes recoveries in relation to a claim, it may deduct from any recoveries paid over to the claimant under ■ COMP 7.6.2 R part or all of its reasonable costs of recovery and distribution (if any).
- Unless compensation was paid under COMP 9.2.3 R, if a claimant assigns or 7.6.2 R transfers their rights to the FSCS or a claimant's rights and claims are otherwise subrogated to the FSCS and the FSCS subsequently makes recoveries through those rights or claims, those recoveries must be paid to the claimant:
 - (1) to the extent that the amount recovered exceeds the amount of compensation (excluding interest paid under ■ COMP 11.2.7 R) received by the claimant in relation to the protected claim; or
 - (2) in circumstances where the amount recovered does not exceed the amount of compensation paid, to the extent that failure to pay any sums recovered to the claimant would leave a claimant who had promptly accepted an offer of compensation or whose rights and claims had been subrogated to the FSCS at a disadvantage relative to a claimant who had delayed accepting an offer of compensation or whose claims had not been subrogated (see ■ COMP 7.6.4 R); or
 - (3) where the FSCS has secured continuity of a funeral plan contract, to the extent that the amount recovered exceeds the cost of securing that continuity as estimated on a reasonable basis by the FSCS.
- 7.6.3 For the purpose of ■ COMP 7.6.2 R compensation received by *eligible claimants* in relation to contracts of insurance written at Lloyd's may include payments made from the Central Fund.
- 7.6.4 The FSCS must endeavour to ensure that a claimant will not suffer disadvantage arising solely from his prompt acceptance of the FSCS's offer of compensation or from the subrogation of his rights and claims to the FSCS compared with what might have been the position had he delayed his acceptance or had his claims not been subrogated.
- G As an example of the circumstances which ■ COMP 7.6.4 R is designed to 7.6.5 address, take two claimants, A and B.
 - (1) Both A and B have a protected investment business claim of £120,000 against a relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor) in

default. The FSCS offers both claimants £85,000 compensation (the maximum amount payable for such claims under ■ COMP 10.2.3 R). A accepts immediately, and assigns his rights against the *relevant person* (or, where applicable, a *successor*) to the FSCS, but B delays accepting the FSCS's offer of compensation.

- (2) In this example, the liquidator is able to recover assets from the relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor) in default and makes a payment of 50p in the pound to all the relevant person's or successor's, as appropriate, creditors. If the liquidator made the payment before any offer of compensation from the FSCS had been accepted, A and B would both receive £60,000 each from the liquidator, leaving both with a loss of £60,000 to be met by the FSCS. Both claims would be met in full.
- (3) However, if the payment were made by the liquidator after A had accepted the FSCS's offer of compensation and assigned his rights to the FSCS, but before B accepted the FSCS offer of compensation, A would be disadvantaged relative to B even though he has received £85,000 compensation from the FSCS. A would be disadvantaged relative to B because he promptly accepted the FSCS's offer and assigned his rights to the FSCS. Because A has assigned his rights to the FSCS, any payment from the liquidator will be made to the FSCS rather than A. In this case the FSCS has paid A more than £60,000, so the £60,000 from the liquidator that would have been payable to A will be payable in full to the FSCS and not to A.
- (4) B is able to exercise his rights against the liquidator because he delayed accepting the FSCS's offer and receives £60,000 from the liquidator. B can then make a claim for the remaining £60,000 to the FSCS which the FSCS can pay in full (see COMP 10.2.2 G). B therefore suffers no loss whereas A is left with a loss of £35,000, being the difference between his claim of £120,000 and the compensation paid by the FSCS of £85,000.



7.7 Funeral plan contracts and related trust arrangements and contracts of insurance

Application

- 7.7.1 This section applies:
 - (1) in connection with any trust arrangement or contract of insurance that relates to funeral plan contracts entered into or carried out by a relevant person or successor who is in default; and
 - (2) irrespective of whether the trust arrangement, contract of insurance or related rights or obligations came into existence before or after the date on which this section comes into force.

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7.7.2 The FSCS is required to administer the compensation scheme in accordance with the European Convention on Human Rights (COMP 2.2.1R). This includes in accordance with Article 1 Protocol 1 of the Convention concerning the protection of property.

General

- 7.7.3 The following provisions apply in relation to this section making any necessary changes:
 - (1) COMP 7.3.2R and COMP 7.3.3R (General);
 - (2) COMP 7.3.4R (Determinations by the FSCS);
 - (3) COMP 7.3.5R (Verification of determinations); and
 - (4) COMP 7.3.6R (Effect of this section on other provisions in this sourcebook etc).

Rights and obligations in respect of trust arrangements and contracts of insurance

- 7.7.4 R If the FSCS:
 - (1) has paid, or has decided to make a payment of, compensation; or
 - (2) has made a payment, or has decided to make a payment, in connection with securing continuity of funeral plan contracts,

the FSCS may make a determination with all or any of the following effects as set out in the determination:

- (3) to vary existing rights or obligations under or in respect of the *trust* arrangement or contract of insurance; such variation may, in particular, provide for the right to be transferred, or obligation to be owed, to a different person and, in either case, to subsist between that different person and the trustees or insurer respectively provided that the different person (if not the eligible claimant) has consented;
- (4) to create new rights under the *trust arrangement* or *contract of insurance* in favour of, or obligations by the trustees or *insurer* to, the *FSCS*; those new rights or obligations may, in particular, override existing rights or obligations;
- (5) to enable the FSCS to claim and take legal or any other proceedings or steps in the *United Kingdom* or elsewhere to enforce any such rights held by or obligations owed to the FSCS in its own name against the trustees, the *insurer* and/or any third party.
- 7.7.5 R Any right of recovery conferred on the FSCS by a determination under this section may not exceed the amount paid or (in the opinion of the FSCS) to be paid out by the FSCS in connection with the funeral plan contracts concerned.
- 7.7.6 R Any right of recovery conferred on the FSCS by a determination under this section is subject to the prior payment of those sums that the FSCS reasonably considers should be prioritised. Such sums may include: the legitimate fees and expenses of the trustee, insurer, actuary and relevant person, tax payable in respect of the trust arrangement or contract of insurance and existing funeral costs.
- 7.7.7 R A payment by the trustees pursuant to a determination will operate to discharge the trustees from all other obligations in relation to that part of the trust assets reflecting the payment made.

Duty to pursue recoveries

7.7.8 If the FSCS has a right of recovery under this section, it must pursue all and only such recoveries as it considers are likely to be both reasonably possible and cost effective to pursue.

Chapter 8

Rejection of application and withdrawal of offer

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8.1 **Application and Purpose**

Application

- 8.1.1 This chapter applies to the FSCS.
- 8.1.2 G It is also relevant to claimants.

Purpose

G In some circumstances, it may be appropriate for the FSCS to reject an 8.1.3 application for compensation, or withdraw an offer of compensation. The purpose of this chapter is to set out when those circumstances arise.



8.2 Rejection of application for compensation

Inaccurate or incomplete applications

- 8.2.1 If an application for compensation contains any material inaccuracy or omission, the FSCS may reject the application unless this is considered by the FSCS to be wholly unintentional.
- A rejection under COMP 8.2.1 R does not mean that the claimant cannot receive compensation. A rejected application may be resubmitted, with the appropriate amendments. An application rejected under COMP 8.2.3 R may be resubmitted if COMP 8.2.5 R applies.

Limitation periods and claims extinguished by operation of law

- 8.2.3 R | The FSCS must reject an application for compensation if:
 - (1) the FSCS considers that a civil claim in respect of the liability would have been defeated by a defence of limitation at the earlier of:
 - (a) the date on which the *relevant person* (or, where applicable, a *successor*) is determined to be *in default*; and
 - (b) the date on which the claimant first indicates in writing that he may have a claim against the *relevant person* (or, where applicable, a *successor*);
 - unless COMP 8.2.4 R or COMP 8.2.4A R applies; or
 - (2) the liability of the *relevant person* (or, where applicable, a *successor*) to the claimant has been extinguished by the operation of law, unless

 COMP 8.2.5 R applies.
- 8.2.4 For claims made in connection with protected investment business, protected home finance mediation, protected non-investment insurance distribution, protected debt management business or protected funeral plan business, the FSCS may disregard a defence of limitation where the FSCS considers that it would be reasonable to do so.

Dissolved companies

8.2.5

For claims made in connection with protected investment business, protected non-investment insurance distribution, protected home finance mediation, protected debt management business or protected funeral plan business, if a relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor), incorporated as a company, has been dissolved with the result that its liability to the claimant has been extinguished by operation of law, the FSCS must treat the claim, for the purposes of paying compensation, as if the relevant person or a successor, as appropriate, had not been dissolved.

G 8.2.6

■ COMP 8.2.5 R means that the FSCS will be able to pay compensation in cases

- (1) the company was declared in default on or after 1 December 2001;
- (2) at the time the application for compensation is made, the company has been dissolved.

Protected investment business: claims covered by the pensions review

8.2.7 R The FSCS may reject an application for compensation if:

- (1) it relates to an event or transaction which has been reviewed under the provisions of a 'deemed scheme' as defined in the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Transitional Provisions) (Reviews of Pensions Business) Order 2001 (SI 2001/2512); and
- (2) as a result of the review in (1) no redress was payable, or redress was paid, in accordance with the regulatory standards for the review of such events or transactions, and the terms of any scheme order, applicable as at the date of the review.

8.2.8

The purpose of ■ COMP 8.2.7 R is to allow the FSCS to reject claims relating to pensions review cases where a review was carried out in accordance with the relevant regulatory standards applicable at the time. 'Deemed schemes' are those review schemes set up before commencement (that is, 30 November 2001) but which are treated as schemes for review of past business under the Act, namely the pensions review and FSAVC review.

COMP 8/4



8.3 Withdrawal of offer of compensation

- 8.3.1 The FSCS may withdraw any offer of compensation made to a claimant if the offer is not accepted or if it is not disputed within 90 days of the date on which the offer is made.
- Where the amount of compensation offered is disputed, the FSCS may withdraw the offer but must consider exercising its powers to make a reduced or interim payment under COMP 11.2.4 R or COMP 11.2.5 R before doing so.
- 8.3.3 R The FSCS may repeat any offer withdrawn under COMP 8.3.1 R or COMP 8.3.2 R.
- 8.3.4 R The FSCS must withdraw any offer of compensation if it appears to the FSCS that no such offer should have been made.
- 8.3.5 R The FSCS must seek to recover any compensation paid to a claimant if it appears to the FSCS that no such payment should have been made, unless the FSCS believes on reasonable grounds that it would be unreasonable to do so, or that the costs of doing so would exceed any amount that could be recovered.

Chapter 9

Time limits on payment and postponing payment

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9.1 **Application and Purpose**

Application

- 9.1.1 This chapter applies to the FSCS.
- 9.1.2 G It is also relevant to claimants.

Purpose

G The purpose of this chapter is to ensure that compensation is paid to 9.1.3 claimants as quickly as possible and that delays in paying compensation to claimants are kept to a minimum. The FSCS may postpone payment of compensation only in strictly limited circumstances.



9.2 When must compensation be paid?

- **9.2.1** R [deleted]
- **9.2.1A** R [deleted]
- 9.2.1B R The FSCS must pay a claim as soon as reasonably possible after:
 - (1) it is satisfied that the conditions in COMP 3.2.1 R have been met; and
 - (2) it has calculated the amount of compensation due to the claimant; and in any event within:
 - (3) three months of that date, unless the FCA has granted the FSCS an extension, in which case payment must be made no later than six months from that date.
- 9.2.2 R The FSCS may postpone paying compensation if:
 - (1) in the case of a *claim* against a *relevant person* who is an *appointed* representative, the FSCS considers that the claimant should make and pursue an application for compensation against the *appointed* representative's relevant principal; or
 - (2) in the case of a claim relating to protected investment business which is not an ICD claim, a claim relating to protected home finance mediation, a claim relating to protected non-investment insurance distribution, a claim relating to protected debt management business or a claim relating to protected funeral plan business, the FSCS considers that the claimant should first exhaust their rights against the relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor) or any third party, or make and pursue an application for compensation to any other person; or
 - (3) [deleted]
 - (4) the *claim* is one which falls within COMP 12.4.5 R or COMP 12.4.7 R and it is not practicable for payment to be made within the usual time limits laid out in COMP 9.2.1 R; or
 - (5) the claimant has been charged with an offence arising out of or in relation to *money laundering*, and those proceedings have not yet been concluded; or.

- (6) [deleted]
- (7) it or an insolvency practitioner appointed to the relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor) is seeking to secure continuity of the relevant funeral plan contract.
- Notwithstanding COMP 9.2.2 R(2), the FSCS may pay compensation to a 9.2.3 claimant in respect of assets held by a relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor) if an insolvency practitioner has been appointed to the relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor), and:
 - (1) the FSCS considers it likely that the insolvency practitioner would, in due course, return the assets to the claimant;
 - (2) the claimant has agreed to be compensated for the assets on the basis of the valuation provided by the FSCS; and
 - (3) the claimant has agreed, to the satisfaction of the FSCS, that his rights to the assets in respect of which compensation is payable should pass to it.

COMP 9/4

Chapter 10

Limits on the amount of compensation payable

10.1 **Application and Purpose**

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Application

- 10.1.1 This chapter applies to the FSCS.
- 10.1.2 G It is also relevant to claimants.

Purpose

- G 10.1.3 In most cases it is appropriate for there to be a limit on the amount of compensation payable by the FSCS and that there should be some part of the claim which is not compensatable and for which the claimant must bear the loss. The purpose of this chapter is to set these limits out.
- 10.1.4 G [deleted]

COMP 10/2



10.2 Limits on compensation payable

- The limits on the maximum compensation sums payable by the FSCS for protected claims are set out in COMP 10.2.3 R.
- The limits apply to the aggregate amount of *claims* in respect of each category of *protected claim* that an *eligible claimant* has against the *relevant person* (or, where applicable, a *successor*). Consequently, a claimant who has, for example, a *claim* against a *relevant person* (or, where applicable, a *successor*) in connection with *protected investment business* of £70,000, and a further such *claim* of £20,000, will only receive the £85,000 limit.

10.2.3 R Table Limits

This table belongs to COMP 10.2.1R

Type of claim	Level of cover	Maximum payment
Protected investment business (except where the designated invest- ment is a long-term care insurance con- tract that is a pure pro- tection contract)	100% of claim	£85,000
Protected investment business where the designated investment is a long-term care in- surance contract that is a pure protection contract	100% of claim	Unlimited
Protected home fin- ance mediation	100% of claim	£85,000
Protected non-invest- ment insurance dis- tribution	(1) where the claim is in respect of a liability subject to compulsory insurance: 100% of claim	Unlimited
	 (2) where the <i>claim</i> is in respect of: (a) a <i>relevant omission</i>; and (b) a professional indemnity insurance contract, or would be in respect of a professional indemnity 	Unlimited

Type of claim	Level of cover	Maximum payment
	insurance contract, if the insurance contract had been effected:	
	100% of claim	
	(3) where the <i>claim</i> is:	Unlimited
	(a) in respect of a relevant omission;	
	(b) in respect of a relevant general insurance contract or would be in respect of a relevant general insurance contract if the insurance contract had been effected; and	
	(c) arises from the death or incapacity of the <i>policyholder</i> owing to injury, sickness or infirmity:	
	100% of claim	
	(4) where the <i>claim</i> is in respect of:	Unlimited
	(a) a relevant omission; and	
	(b) a pure protection contract, or would be in respect of a pure protection contract if the insurance contract had been effected:	
	100% of claim	
	(5) In all other cases: 90% of claim	Unlimited
Protected debt man- agement business	100% of claim	£85,000
Protected funeral plan business	100% of claim	£85,000

- G 10.2.4 COMP 12 sets out the rules the FSCS will follow when calculating the amount of compensation payable.
- 10.2.5 G ■ COMP 12.4.4R includes further limits relating to certain claims against pre-IP completion day incoming EEA firms, where the act or omission giving rise to the claim arose before IP completion day. These reflect the Investor Compensation Directive, which will continue to apply to EEA State compensation schemes after IP completion day, under which compensation may be payable by the pre-IP completion day incoming EEA firm's EEA State compensation scheme.

10.2.5A	R	Claims in cases where there is a successor No claimant shall be eligible to make a claim under the compensation scheme in respect of both the relevant person and a successor arising from the same act or omission by the relevant person.
10.2.6	R	[deleted]
10.2.7	R	[deleted]
10.2.8	R	Claims against more than one member in respect of a single protected contract of insurance to be treated as a single claim
10.2.9	R	Claims arising under COMP 3.2.4 R If a firm has a claim under ■ COMP 3.2.4 R, the FSCS must treat the share of the shortfall of each customer as if it were a protected claim for the purposes of calculating the limits of compensation payable, within ■ COMP 10.2, in relation to that customer.
10.2.10	R	[deleted]
10.2.11	R	[deleted]
10.2.12	R	[deleted]
10.2.13	G	[deleted]
10.2.14	R	Claims in cases where a principal and its appointed representative are both in default No claimant shall be eligible to make a claim under the compensation scheme in respect of both a principal and its appointed representative arising from the same act or omission by the appointed representative.

Compensation

Chapter 11

Payment of compensation

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11.1 Application and Purpose

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Application

- 11.1.1 This chapter applies to the FSCS.
- 11.1.2 G It is also relevant to claimants.

Purpose

The FSCS will usually pay compensation direct to the claimant, but in certain 11.1.3 circumstances it may be appropriate for the FSCS to pay compensation to someone other than the claimant, or to make reduced or interim payments. The purpose of this chapter is to set out when those circumstances arise.

COMP 11/2



11.2 Payment

To whom must payment be made?

- 11.2.1 R [deleted]
- If the *FSCS* determines that compensation is payable (or any recovery or other amount is payable by the *FSCS* to the claimant), it must pay it to the claimant, or if the *FSCS* so decides, as directed by the claimant, unless COMP 11.2.2 R, COMP 11.2.2AR or COMP 11.2.2CR apply.
- 11.2.1B R

Certain protected investment business claims

- Where a claimant has a *protected claim* arising out of the circumstances described in COMP 12.4.5 R, the *FSCS* must pay any compensation (and any recovery or other amount payable by the *FSCS* to the claimant) to:
 - (1) the trustee of an occupational pension scheme; or
 - (2) a personal pension scheme or other product provider; or
 - (3) both (1) and (2);

and not to the claimant, unless exceptional circumstances apply.

Collective investment scheme claims

- 11.2.2A R Where a claimant has a *claim* that falls within COMP 12A.3.1R, the *FSCS* may pay any compensation to:
 - (1) the participants and not to the claimant; or
 - (2) the *collective investment scheme* and (where different) not to the claimant; or
 - (3) any combination of the above.
- 11.2.2B G As a result of COMP 12A.3.1R, the FSCS must try to ensure that the amount paid is no more than the amount of the loss suffered by the participant.

Protected funeral plan business claims

11.2.2C

Where a claimant has a protected funeral plan business claim the FSCS may pay compensation (and any recovery or other amount payable by the FSCS to the claimant) to any other person on such terms and on such conditions as it thinks fit.

11.2.2D G ■ COMP 3.2.2R permits the *FSCS* to pay compensation to a *person* who makes a claim on behalf of another person where certain conditions are satisfied. This includes payment to the personal representatives who make a *claim* on behalf of the deceased (see ■ COMP 3.2.3G)(1)). ■ COMP 11.2.2CR permits the FSCS to pay compensation to any other person who it considers should receive the compensation. For example, this may be to a funeral services provider directly where the funeral services provider has incurred expenses in providing funeral services under the funeral plan contract and is yet to be reimbursed.

11.2.3 R

Form and method of paying compensation

11.2.3A

The FSCS may pay compensation in any form and by any method (or any combination of them) that it determines is appropriate including, without limitation:

- (1) by paying the compensation (on such terms as the FSCS considers appropriate) to an authorised person with permission to accept deposits which agrees to become liable to the claimant in a like sum;
- (2) by paying compensation directly into an existing deposit account of (or for the benefit of) the claimant, or as otherwise identified by (or on behalf of) the claimant, with an authorised person (but before doing so the FSCS must take such steps as it considers appropriate to verify the existence of such an account and to give notice to the claimant of its intention to exercise this power); and/or
- (3) [deleted]
- (4) by paying compensation to a firm, which makes a claim on behalf of its clients, if the FSCS is satisfied that:
 - (a) the business of a relevant person in default has been transferred to the firm;
 - (b) each client has a claim against the relevant person in default arising out of a shortfall in client money or safe custody assets held by the relevant person in default;
 - (c) the *clients* in respect of which compensation is to be paid satisfy the conditions set out in ■ COMP 3.2.2 R (1); and
 - (d) the firm has agreed, on such terms as the FSCS thinks fit, to pay, or credit the accounts of, without deduction, each client, that part of the compensation due to him.

Reduced or interim payments

- If the FSCS is satisfied that in principle compensation is payable in connection with any protected claim, but considers that immediate payment in full would not be prudent because of uncertainty as to the amount of the claimant's overall claim, it may decide to pay an appropriate lesser sum in final settlement, or to make payment on account.
- The FSCS may also decide to make a payment on account or to pay a lesser sum in final settlement if the claimant has any reasonable prospect for recovery in respect of the *claim* from any third party or by applying for compensation to any other *person*.
- The FSCS may not pay a lesser sum in final settlement under COMP 11.2.4 R and COMP 11.2.5 R where the claim is an ICD claim.

Paying interest on compensation

- 11.2.7 R The FSCS may pay interest on the compensation sum in such circumstances as it considers appropriate.
- Interest under COMP 11.2.7 R is not to be taken into account when applying the limits on the compensation sum payable in respect of a *claim* under *COMP* 10.

Paying full compensation in return for rights

- Where the FSCS considers that the conditions in COMP 11.2.4R are satisfied but, in relation to a class of claim, in order to provide fair compensation for the generality of such claims it would be appropriate to take the approach in (1) and (2) rather than pay an appropriate lesser sum in final settlement or make a payment on account, it may for that class of claim:
 - (1) receive whether by assignment, transfer or operation of law the whole or any part of a claimant's rights against the *relevant person* (or, where applicable, a *successor*), or against any third party, or both on such terms as the *FSCS* thinks fit; and
 - (2) disregard the value of the rights so received in determining the claimant's overall *claim*.
- Factors that the FSCS may take into account when considering taking the approach in COMP 11.2.9R (1) and COMP 11.2.9R (2) include whether the amount of claimants' overall *claims* are likely to be assessed within a

reasonable time frame, the circumstances of the claimants, the circumstances of the *claims* and the nature of the products to which the *claims* relate.

Compensation

Chapter 12

Calculating compensation

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12.1 **Application and Purpose**

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Application

- 12.1.1 This chapter applies to the FSCS.
- 12.1.2 G This chapter is also relevant to claimants, since it sets out how a claim will be quantified. (For the process of paying compensation, including the limits on the amount of compensation that can be paid, see ■ COMP 8 - ■ COMP 11).

Purpose

12.1.3 G The purpose of this chapter is to set out the different ways in which the FSCS is to calculate compensation.



12.2 Quantification: general

- The amount of compensation payable to the claimant in respect of any type of protected claim is the amount of his overall net claim against the relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor) at the quantification date and any reference in COMP to overall claim means "overall net claim".
- 12.2.2

 R COMP 12.2.1AR is, however, subject to the other provisions of *COMP*, in particular those *rules* that set limits on the amount of compensation payable for various types of *protected claim*. The limits are set out in *COMP* 10.
- Where a liability of a *relevant person* (or, where applicable, a *successor*) to an *eligible claimant* could fall within more than one type of claim protected by the *compensation scheme* whether under the *rules* of the *FCA* (see COMP 5.2.1 R) or of the *PRA*, for example a *claim* in connection with *money* held by a *MiFID investment firm* that is also a *credit institution*, the *FSCS* should seek to ensure that the claimant does not receive any further compensation payment from the *FSCS* in cases where the claimant has already received compensation from the *FSCS* in respect of that *claim*.

Overall net claim

- A claimant's overall *claim* is the sum of the *protected claims* of the same category that he has against a *relevant person* (or, where applicable, a *successor*) *in default*, less the amount of any liability which the *relevant person* or *successor*, as appropriate, may set off against any of those *claims* (see COMP 10.2.2 G).
- 12.2.5 G For the different categories of *protected claim*, see *COMP* 5 and COMP 10.2.3 R.
- In calculating the claimant's overall *claim*, the *FSCS* may rely, to the extent that it is relevant, on any determination by:
 - (1) a court of competent jurisdiction;
 - (2) a trustee in bankruptcy;
 - (3) a liquidator;
 - (4) any other recognised insolvency practitioner;

and on the certification of any net sum due which is made in default proceedings of any exchange or clearing house.

Payments to the claimant

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The FSCS must take into account any payments to the claimant (including amounts recovered by the FSCS on behalf of the claimant) made by the relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor) or the FSCS or any other person, including any payment made by the FSCS under the PRA's rules, if that payment is connected with the relevant person's (or, where applicable, a successor's) liability to the claimant in calculating the claimant's overall claim.

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The FSCS must calculate the amount of compensation due to the claimant as soon as reasonably possible after it is satisfied that the conditions in COMP 3.2.1 R have been met.

Time for calculation of compensation due to the claimant

Settlement of claims

12.2.10 R

- (1) The FSCS may pay compensation without fully or at all investigating the eligibility of the claimant and/or the validity and/or amount of the *claim* notwithstanding any provision in this sourcebook or ■ FEES 6 to the contrary, if in the opinion of the FSCS:
 - (a) the costs of investigating the merits of the *claim* are reasonably likely to be disproportionate to the likely benefit of such investigation; and
 - (b) (as a result or otherwise) it is reasonably in the interests of participant firms to do so.
- (2) This rule does not apply with respect to claims that are excluded by article 3 of the Investor Compensation Directive.



12.3 Quantification date

Protected investment business

- For a *claim* made in connection with *protected investment business* which is not an *ICD claim*, the *FSCS* must determine a specific date as the *quantification date*, and this date may be either on, before or after the date of the determination of default.
- For a *claim* made in connection with *protected investment business* which is an *ICD claim*, the *quantification date* is the date the *relevant person*, or, where applicable, a *successor*, is determined to be *in default*.

Protected home finance mediation

For a claim made in connection with protected home finance mediation, the FSCS must determine a specific date as the quantification date, and this date may be either on, before or after the date of determination of default.

Protected non-investment insurance distribution

For a *claim* made in connection with *protected non-investment insurance* distribution, the FSCS must determine a specific date as the *quantification* date, and this date may be either on, before or after the date of determination of default.

Protected debt management business

For a *claim* made in connection with *protected debt management business*, the *FSCS* must determine a specific date as the *quantification date*, and this date may be either on, before or after the date of determination of default.

Protected funeral plan business

For a *claim* made in connection with *protected funeral plan business*, the *FSCS* must determine a specific date as the *quantification date*, and this date may be either on, before or after the date of determination of default.



12.4 The compensation calculation

Protected investment business: general

- 12.4.2 The FSCS may pay compensation for any claim made in connection with protected investment business which is not:
 - (1) a claim for property held; or
 - (2) a claim arising from transactions which remain uncompleted at the quantification date;

only to the extent that the FSCS considers that the payment of compensation is essential in order to provide the claimant with fair compensation.

- 12.4.3 R The FSCS must not pay compensation for any claim in connection with protected investment business to the extent that it relates to or depends on:
 - (1) a failure of investment performance to match a guarantee given or representation made; or
 - (2) a contractual obligation to pay or promise to pay which the FSCS considers to have been undertaken without full consideration passing to the relevant person or in anticipation of possible insolvency; or
 - (3) the mere fluctuation in the value of an *investment*.
- 12.4.4 If the claimant has an ICD claim against a pre-IP completion day incoming EEA firm which is a MiFID investment firm or, where applicable, a successor of such a firm, and the act or omission giving rise to the ICD claim arose before exit day, the FSCS must take account of the liability of the EEA State compensation scheme in calculating the compensation payable by the FSCS. For the purposes of applying this rule, "ICD claim" and "MiFID investment firm" have the meaning they had immediately before exit day.

Protected investment business: claims covered by the pensions review

- 12.4.5 If the claimant has a claim in connection with protected investment business relating to the fact that the claimant has:
 - (1) while eligible or reasonably likely to become eligible to be a member of an occupational pension scheme, instead become a member of a personal pension scheme or entered into a retirement annuity; or

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- (2) ceased to be a member of, or to pay contributions to, an occupational pension scheme, and has instead become a member of a personal pension scheme or entered into a retirement annuity; or
- (3) transferred to a *personal pension scheme* accrued rights under an *occupational pension scheme* which is not a defined contribution (money purchase) scheme; or
- (4) ceased to be a member of an occupational pension scheme and has instead (by virtue of such a provision as is mentioned in section 591(2)(g) of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988) entered into arrangements for securing relevant benefits by means of an annuity;

the FSCS must take the steps set out in COMP 12.4.6R.

12.4.6 R

If COMP 12.4.5R applies, the FSCS must follow the Specification of Standards and Procedures issued by the FSA in October 1994, as supplemented and modified by subsequent guidance issued by the FSA (in particular, that of November 1996) (the 'Specification') in:

- (1) assessing whether a *relevant person* has complied with the relevant regulatory requirements;
- (2) assessing whether non-compliance has caused the claimant loss; and
- (3) calculating the amount of compensation due (where the FSCS may rely on calculations made by the FCA or any previous regulator of the relevant person);

unless the FSCS considers that departure from the Specification is essential in order to provide the claimant with fair compensation.

Protected investment business: FSAVC Review

12.4.7 R

Where a *claim* made in connection with *protected investment business* relates to an Additional Voluntary Contribution policy advised on or arranged by a *relevant person*, the *FSCS* must follow the FSAVC Review Model Guidance issued by the *FSA* in May 2000 (the "Guidance") in:

- (1) assessing whether the *relevant person* has complied with the relevant regulatory requirements;
- (2) assessing whether non-compliance has caused the claimant loss; and
- (3) calculating the compensation due (where the FSCS may rely on calculations made by the FCA or any previous regulator of the relevant person);

unless the FSCS considers that departure from the Guidance is essential in order to provide the claimant with fair compensation.

Protected investment business: excessive benefits

12.4.8

The FSCS may decide to reduce the compensation that would otherwise be payable for a *claim* made in connection with *protected investment business* that is not an ICD claim, if it is satisfied that:

- (1) there is evidence of contributory negligence by the claimant; or
- (2) payment of the full amount would provide a greater benefit than the claimant might reasonably have expected or than the benefit available on similar investments with other relevant persons; and

it would be inequitable for the FSCS not to take account of (1) or (2).

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Protected home finance mediation

- 12.4.17 R The FSCS may pay compensation for any claim made in connection with protected home finance mediation only to the extent that the FSCS considers that the payment of compensation is essential in order to provide the claimant with fair compensation.
- 12.4.18 The FSCS must not pay compensation for any claim in connection with protected home finance mediation to the extent that it relates or depends on:
 - (1) a failure of investment performance to match a guarantee given or representation made; or
 - (2) the mere fluctuation in the value of property
- 12.4.19 The FSCS may decide to reduce the compensation that would otherwise be payable for a claim made in connection with protected home finance mediation if it is satisfied that there is evidence of contributory negligence by the claimant and it would be inequitable for FSCS not to take account of that fact.

Protected non-investment insurance distribution

- 12.4.20 The FSCS may pay compensation for any claim made in connection with protected non-investment insurance distribution only to the extent that the FSCS considers that the payment of compensation is essential in order to provide the claimant with fair compensation.
- 12.4.21 The FSCS may decide to reduce the compensation that would otherwise be payable for a claim made in connection with protected non-investment insurance distribution if it is satisfied that:
 - (1) there is evidence of contributory negligence by the claimant; or

(2) payment of the full amount would provide a greater benefit than the claimant might reasonably have expected or than the benefit available on similar contracts with other relevant persons; and

it would be inequitable for FSCS not to take account of (1) or (2).

Protected debt management business

12.4.21A R

The FSCS may pay compensation for any claim made in connection with protected debt management business only to the extent that the FSCS considers that the payment of compensation is essential to provide the claimant with fair compensation.

Protected funeral plan business

12.4.21B R

The FSCS may pay compensation for any claim made in connection with protected funeral plan business only to the extent that the FSCS considers that the payment of compensation is essential to provide the claimant with fair compensation.

Consumer redress schemes

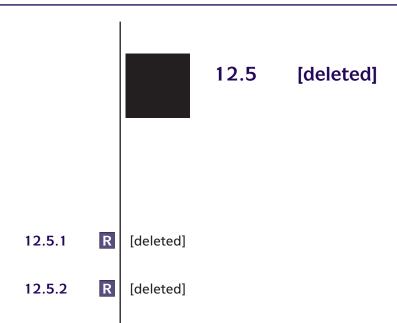
12.4.22 R

For a *claim* which falls to be dealt with (or has properly been dealt with) under a *consumer redress scheme*, the *FSCS* must apply the scheme in:

- (1) assessing whether a *relevant person* has complied with the relevant regulatory requirements;
- (2) assessing whether non-compliance has caused the claimant loss; and
- (3) calculating the compensation due (where the FSCS may rely on calculations made by the FCA or other competent persons acting on the FCA's behalf or authorised to make them under the scheme);

unless the FSCS considers that departure from the scheme is essential in order to provide the claimant with fair compensation.

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12.6 Quantification: trustees, operators of pension schemes, persons winding up pension schemes, personal representatives, agents, and joint claims

[Note: ■ COMP 12.6.1R now appears at ■ COMP 12A.1.1R]

[Note: ■ COMP 12.6.2R now appears at ■ COMP 12A.1.2R]

[Note: ■ COMP 12.6.2AR now appears at ■ COMP 12A.1.3R]

[Note: ■ COMP 12.6.3R now appears at ■ COMP 12A.1.4R]

[Note: ■ COMP 12.6.4R now appears at ■ COMP 12A.1.5R]

[Note: ■ COMP 12.6.5R now appears at ■ COMP 12A.1.6R]

[Note: ■ COMP 12.6.6R now appears at ■ COMP 12A.1.7R]

[Note: ■ COMP 12.6.8R now appears at ■ COMP 12A.2.1R]

[Note: ■ COMP 12.6.9R now appears at ■ COMP 12A.2.2R]

[Note: ■ COMP 12.6.10R now appears at ■ COMP 12A.2.3R]

[Note: ■ COMP 12.6.11R now appears at ■ COMP 12A.4.1R]

[Note: ■ COMP 12.6.12R now appears at ■ COMP 12A.4.1R]

Special cases

Chapter 12A

Special cases



12A.1 **Trustees and pension schemes**

12A.1.1 If a claimant's claim includes a claim as:

trustee; or

the operator of, or the person carrying on the regulated activity of winding up, a stakeholder pension scheme (which is not an occupational pension scheme) or personal pension scheme,

the FSCS must treat him in respect of that claim as if his claim was the claim of a different person.

[Note: this and other rules in this section derive from provisions previously in ■ COMP 12.61

12A.1.2 If a claimant has a claim as a bare trustee or nominee company for one or more beneficiaries, the FSCS must treat the beneficiary or beneficiaries as having the claim, and not the claimant.

R 12A.1.3 If a claimant has a *claim*:

- (1) as the trustee of an occupational pension scheme or the trustee or operator of, or the person carrying on the regulated activity of winding up, a stakeholder pension scheme (which is not an occupational pension scheme) or personal pension scheme; and
- (2) for one or more members of a pension scheme (or, where relevant, the beneficiary of any member) whose benefits are, or include, money-purchase benefits;

the FSCS must treat the member or member scheme (or, where relevant, the beneficiary of any member) as having the claim, and not the claimant (insofar as members' benefits are money-purchase benefits).

12A.1.4 If any group of persons has a claim as:

- (1) trustees; or
- (2) operators of, or as persons carrying on the regulated activity of winding up, a stakeholder pension scheme (which is not an occupational pension scheme) or personal pension scheme,

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(or any combination thereof), the FSCS must treat them as a single and continuing *person* distinct from the *persons* who may from time to time be the trustees, *operators* or *persons* winding up the relevant pension scheme.

12A.1.5 R Where the same person has a claim as:

- (1) trustee for different trusts or for different stakeholder pension schemes (which are not occupational pension schemes) or personal pension schemes; or
- (2) the operator of, or the person carrying on the regulated activity of winding up, different stakeholder pension schemes (which are not occupational pension schemes) or personal pension schemes,

COMP applies as if the *claims* relating to each of these trusts or schemes were claims of different *persons*.

Where the claimant is a trustee, and some of the beneficiaries of the trust are *persons* who would not be *eligible claimants* if they had a claim themselves, the *FSCS* must adjust the amount of the overall *claim* to eliminate the part of the claim which, in the *FSCS*'s view, is a claim for those beneficiaries.

- Where any of the provisions of COMP 12A.1.1R to COMP 12A.1.6R apply, the FSCS must try to ensure that any amount paid to:
 - (1) the trustee; or
 - (2) the *operator* of, or the *person* carrying on the *regulated activity* of winding up, a stakeholder pension scheme (which is not an *occupational pension scheme*) or *personal pension scheme*,

is, in each case:

- (3) for the benefit of members or beneficiaries who would be *eligible* claimants if they had a claim themselves; and
- (4) no more than the amount of the loss suffered by those members or beneficiaries.



12A.2 Personal representatives, agents and joint claims

12A.2.1 Where a person numbers among his claims a claim as the personal representative of another, the FSCS must treat him in respect of that claim as if he were standing in the shoes of that other person.

> [Note: this and other rules in this section derive from provisions previously in ■ COMP 12.61

- 12A.2.2 If a claimant has a *claim* as agent for one or more *principals*, the FSCS must treat the *principal* or *principals* as having the *claim*, not the claimant.
- 12A.2.3 If two or more *persons* have a joint beneficial *claim*, the *claim* is to be treated as a claim of the partnership if they are carrying on business together in partnership. Otherwise each of those persons is taken to have a claim for his share, and in the absence of satisfactory evidence as to their respective shares, the FSCS must regard each person as entitled to an equal share.



12A.3 Collective investment schemes

12A.3.1 R

- (1) If a claimant has a *claim* in its capacity as a *collective investment* scheme, or anyone who is an operator, depositary, manager or trustee of such a scheme, and the conditions in (2) are met:
 - (a) the FSCS must treat the participant or participants as having the claim, and not the claimant;
 - (b) ■COMP 12A.1.6R and ■COMP 12A.1.7R apply, reading "trustee" as "collective investment scheme, or anyone who is an operator, depositary, manager or trustee of such a scheme", "trust" as "collective investment scheme" and "beneficiary" as "participant".
- (2) The conditions referred to in (1) are:
 - (a) the claim is against a relevant person:
 - (i) acting in the capacity of *manager* or *depositary* of the *collective investment scheme*; or
 - (ii) in connection with that person's managing investments or safeguarding and administering investments; and
 - (b) as a result of the matters in (a), a participant in the *collective* investment scheme has suffered loss but the participant has no claim for that loss against that relevant person.



12A.4 Foreign law

12A.4.1



In applying COMP to claims arising out of business done with a branch or establishment of the relevant person outside the United Kingdom, the FSCS must interpret references to:

- (1) persons entitled as personal representatives, trustees, bare trustees or agents, operators of pension schemes or persons carrying on the regulated activity of winding up pension schemes; or
- (2) persons having a joint beneficial claim or carrying on business in partnership;

as references to persons entitled, under the law of the relevant country or territory, in a capacity appearing to the FSCS to correspond as nearly as may be to that capacity.

[Note: this rule derives from a provision previously in ■ COMP 12.6]



12A.5 Claims arising under COMP 3.2.4R

12A.5.1 R

If a *firm* has a *claim* under ■ COMP 3.2.4R, the *FSCS* must treat each *customer* of the *firm* as having the *claim* for the purposes of calculating compensation within ■ COMP 12.

[Note: this rule derives from a provision previously in ■ COMP 12.6]

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12A.6 **Funeral plans**

12A.6.1

- (1) The FSCS may make payments to, or on behalf of, a relevant funeral plan provider or to the administrator or liquidator of a funeral plan provider, in respect of any reasonable fees, costs, charges or other expenses incurred for the purpose of the administrator or liquidator of that funeral plan provider complying with a request of the FSCS under section 215B of the Act.
- (2) In paragraph (1), 'reasonable fees, costs, charges or other expenses' means those fees, costs, charges or other expenses that the FSCS is satisfied:
 - (a) have been reasonably incurred;
 - (b) have been exclusively incurred for the purpose of an administrator or liquidator complying with a request under section 215B of the Act; and
 - (c) only to the extent that such fees, costs, charges or other expenses cannot otherwise be met.

12A.6.2

Section 215B of the Act (Scheme manager's power to require assistance from liquidator etc. in relation to funeral plan contracts) confers a power on the FSCS to require the administrator or liquidator of a funeral plan provider to provide any assistance to the FSCS that the FSCS considers necessary to enable it to administer the compensation scheme and secure continuity of cover in relation to funeral plan contracts.

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[deleted: the provisions in relation to the funding of the Financial Services Compensation Scheme are set out in FEES 6 (Financial Services Compensation Scheme Funding)]

Appendix 1 LCF Compensation Scheme

1.1 Automatic Subrogation

- App 1.1.1 G The following rules in COMP 7.3 and associated definitions apply in connection with the exercise by the FSCS of functions in respect of the LCF Compensation Scheme with the modifications shown below (new wording is underlined and deleted wording is struck through):
 - (1) **COMP 7.3.4R**
- (1) Any power conferred on the *FSCS* to make determinations under this section modified *COMP* 7.3.8R is exercisable in writing.
- (2) An instrument by which the FSCS makes the determination must specify the provision under which it is made, the date and time from which it takes effect and the relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor) and protected claims, parts of protected elaims and/or classes of protected claims claims under the LCF Compensation Scheme in respect of which it applies.
- (3) The FSCS must take appropriate steps to publish the determination as soon as possible after it is made. Such publication must be accompanied by a statement explaining the effect of COMP 7.4.2R.
- (4) Failure to comply with any requirement in this *rule* does not affect the validity of the determination.
- (5) A determination by the FSCS under this section modified COMP 7.3.8R may be amended, remade or revoked at any time and subject to the same conditions.

(2) **COMP** 7.3.5R

- (1) The production of a copy of a determination purporting to be made by the FSCS under this section modified COMP 7.3.8R:
 - on which is endorsed a certificate, signed by a (a) member of the FSCS's staff authorised by it for that purpose; and
 - (b) which contains the required statements;

is evidence (or in Scotland sufficient evidence) of the facts stated in the certificate.

- The required statements are: (2)
 - that the determination was made by the FSCS; (a) and
 - (b) that the copy is a true copy of the determination.
- (3) A certificate purporting to be signed as mentioned in (1) is to be taken to have been properly signed unless the contrary is shown.
- A *person* who wishes in any legal proceedings to rely (4) on a determination may require the FSCS to endorse a copy of determination with a certificate of the kind mentioned in (1).

(3) **COMP** 7.3.8R

The FSCS may determine that:

- The payment of compensation by the FSCS under the (1) LCF Compensation Scheme;
- (2) [deleted]

shall have the following effects:

the FSCS shall immediately and automatically be (3) subrogated, subject to such conditions as the FSCS determines are appropriate, to all or any part (as determined by the FSCS) of the rights and claims in the United Kingdom and elsewhere of the elaimant bondholder against the relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor) London Capital & Finance plc and/or any third party (except the FCA) (whether such rights are legal, equitable or of any other nature whatsoever and in whatever capacity the relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor) London Capital & Finance plc or relevant third party is acting) in respect of or arising out of the *claim* claim in respect of which the payment of or on account of compensation was made;

- (4) the FSCS may claim and take legal action or any other proceedings or steps in the United Kingdom or elsewhere to enforce such rights in its own name or in the name of, and on behalf of, the elaimant bondholder, or in both names against the relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor) London Capital & Finance plc and/or any relevant third party;
- (5) the subrogated rights and claims conferred on the FSCS shall be rights of recovery and claims against the relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor)

 London Capital & Finance plc and/or any relevant third party which are equivalent (including as to amount and priority and whether and whether or not the relevant person (or, where applicable, a successor)

 London Capital & Finance plc and/or any relevant third party is insolvent) to and do not exceed the rights and claims that the elaimant bondholder would have had; and/or.

1.2 Payments to Her Majesty's Treasury

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If the FSCS determines that compensation is payable (or any recovery or other amount is payable by the FSCS to the elaimant) to a bondholder under the compensation scheme, it must pay it to the elaimant, or if the FSCS so decides, as

directed by the claimant, unless *COMP* 11.2.2R or *COMP* 11.2.2AR apply.:

- (1) such compensation to Her Majesty's Treasury up to the amount paid to the bondholder under the LCF Compensation Scheme; and
- (2) any excess after (1), to the bondholder, up to the limits on maximum compensation sums payable by the FSCS under the compensation scheme as set out in COMP 10.2.3R.

Note: Under Part 15A of the *Act*, Her Majesty's Treasury may, by notice, require the *FSCS* to exercise specified functions in respect of specified claims for compensation

under a scheme or arrangement established for the payment of compensation to customers of persons who provide financial services or carry on a business connected with the provision of such services. The FCA may by rules make provision in connection with the exercise by the FSCS of functions in respect of such a scheme and apply any provision of the compensation scheme to it with or without modification. This Appendix sets out the FCA's rules, as modified, that apply where the FSCS exercises its functions in respect of the LCF Compensation Scheme.

The LCF Compensation Scheme is administered in accordance with the LCF Compensation Scheme Rules. These rules, and more information, are available at https://www.gov.uk/lcfcompensationscheme.

COMP TP 1 Transitional Provisions

(1)	(2)	(3)			(4)	(5)	(6)
	Material to which the transitional provision applies			Tra	nsitional Provision	Transitional provision: dates in force	Handbook Provisions: coming into force
1	COMP 5	R	Prote	ected	claims	Indefinitely	Com- mencement
			(1)	[de	leted]		
			(2)	[de	leted]		
			(3)	pro incl	laim in connection with tected investment business udes a claim in respect of ending application.		
			(4)	of a FSC the as t	ere the claim is in respect a pending application, the S must apply the rules of relevant former scheme, they applied to the default ore commencement.		
			(5)	bus sche refe agi	rules of each investment iness compensation eme are amended so that erences to the person manning the scheme are reced by references to the S.		
			(6)	[de	leted]		
			(7)	[-1.	n.t. n.d.		
			(7)	[ae	leted]		
			(8)		Where the default occurs after commencement, a claim in connection with protected investment business includes a claim that could have been entertained under an investment business compensation scheme (provided that the person making the claim has not also made a pending		

(1)	(2)	(3)		(4)	(5)	(6)
	Material to which the transitional provision applies		Tr	ansitional Provision	Transitional provision: dates in force	Handbook Provisions: coming into force
				application arising out of the same set of facts).		
2	COMP 13.5 andCOMP 13.6	R	Expired			
3	COMP 13.4.6 R and COMP 13.6.7 R	R	Expired			
4	COMP 13.5.8 R	R	Expired			
5	COMP 6.2.1 R	R	[deleted]			
6	COMP 6.2.1 R	G	[deleted]			
7	COMP 6.2.1 R	G	[deleted]			
8	Amend- ments in- troduced by the Com- pensation Sourcebook (Amend- ment No.2) Instrument 2003.	R	[deleted]			
9	COMP 13.6.8 R	R	Expired			
10	COMP 5.7.1 R, COMP 13.4.7 R and COMP 13.6.9 R	R	[deleted]			
11	FEES 6.3.1 R, FEES 6.3.22 R, FEES 6.4.8 R, FEES 6.4.6 R, FEES 6.5.1 R and FEES 6.5.6 R	R	[deleted]			
12	FEES 6.5.7 R (4), FEES 6.3.22 R, FEES 6.4.6 R, FEES 6.4.8 R, FEES 6.5.1 R, and FEES 6.5.6 R	R	[deleted]			
13	FEES 6.5.7 R (4), FEES 6.5.10 R, and	R	[deleted]			

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	Material to which the transitional provision applies		Transitional Provision	Transitional provision: dates in force	Handbook Provisions: coming into force
	FEES 6.5.13 R (2)				
14	FEES 6.5.7 R (5), FEES 6.5.11 R, and FEES 6.5.13 R (2)		[deleted]		
15	COMP 5.4.4 R (4)(a) and COMP 5.4.4 R (4)(b)	R	[deleted]		
16	COMP 10.2.3 R	R	[deleted]		
17	Amend- ments in- troduced by the Com- pensation Sourcebook (Amend- ment No 8) Instrument 2008	R	Provisions and definitions arising out of (2) only apply to defaults on or occurring after 7 October 2008	From 7 October 2008 indefinitely	7 October 2008
18	COMP 10.2.3 R	R	[deleted]		
19	Amend- ments to COMP 10.2.3 R intro- duced by the Finan- cial Services Compensa- tion Scheme (Limits Amend- ment) In- strument 2009	R	Provisions and definitions arising out of (2) only apply to defaults on or occurring after 1 January 2010.	From 1 Jan- uary 2010 indefinitely	1 January 2010
20	COMP 4.3.1 R	R	[deleted]		
21	COMP 17.3 and COMP 17.2.7 R	R	[deleted]		
22	COMP 17.3	R	[deleted]		
23	COMP 17.3.10 R and COMP 17.3.12 R	R	[deleted]		
24	COMP 10.2.3 R	R	[deleted]		

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	Material to which the transitional provision applies		Transitional Provision	Transitional provision: dates in force	Handbook Provisions: coming into force
25	The amendment of all references in COMP (other than in the heading in respect of COMP 12.2.4 R) to "overall net claim" to "overall claim"	R	The changes referred to in (2) made by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (Banking Compensation Reform) Instrument 2009 do not apply in relation to a <i>claim</i> against a <i>relevant person</i> that was <i>in default</i> before 31 December 2010.	From 31 December 2010 indefinitely	From 31 December 2010
26	COMP 12.3.1 R and COMP 15.1.12 R	R	[deleted]		
27	COMP 4.2.2 R(9)	R	The changes referred to in (2), made by the Compensation Sourcebook (Occupational Pension Scheme Trustees) Instrument 2011 do not apply in relation to a <i>claim</i> against a <i>relevant person</i> that was <i>in default</i> before 1 October 2011.	From 1 October 2011 indefinitely	From 1 October 2011
28	COMP 16.3	R	[deleted]		
29	COMP 17	R	[deleted]		
30	COMP 17.3 and COMP 17.2.7 R	R	[deleted]		
31	COMP 17.3	R	[deleted]		
32	COMP 17.3.10 R and COMP 17.3.12 R	R	[deleted]		
33	Amend- ments in- troduced by Annex A and Part 1 of Annex B of the Com- pensation Sourcebook (Amend- ment No 9) Instrument 2012.	R	The changes referred to in (2) do not apply in relation to a <i>claim</i> against a <i>relevant person</i> that was <i>in default</i> before 1 October 2012. Notwithstanding the above the changes to COMP 12.2.10 R apply irrespective of when the default occurred.	From 1 October 2012 indefinitely	From 1 October 2012
34	Amend- ments in- troduced by the Com- pensation	R	The changes referred to in (2) do not apply in relation to a <i>claim</i> against a <i>relevant person</i> that was <i>in default</i> before 13 December 2013.	From 13 December 2013 indefinitely	From 13 December 2013

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	Material to which the transitional provision applies		Transitional Provision	Transitional provision: dates in force	Handbook Provisions: coming into force
	Sourcebook (Invest- ments by Large Un- incorpor- ated Asso- ciations and Certain Large Part- nerships) Instrument 2013				
35	All the rules and guidance in COMP applicable to protected home finance mediation.	R	The compensation scheme does not provide cover for claims in respect of any mortgage mediation activity relating to a second charge regulated mortgage contract if: (1) the relevant person was in default before 21 March 2016; or (2) the basis for the claim arose before 21 March 2016.	From 21 March 2016 indefinitely	Not applicable
35	Amend- ments in- troduced by the Com- pensation Sourcebook (Large un- incorpor- ated associ- ations) In- strument 2013	R	[deleted]		
36	COMP 17.2.1 R and COMP 17.2.3 R	R	[deleted]		
37	COMP 10.2.3R(2), (3) and (4)	R	The rules referred to in (2) do not apply in relation to a <i>claim</i> against a <i>relevant person</i> , or against a <i>successor</i> , that was <i>in default</i> before 29 April 2016. Instead, COMP 10.2.3R(5) will continue to apply to such <i>claims</i> .	From 29 April 2016 indefinitely	29 April 2016
38	COMP 4.2.2R(4), COMP 4.2.2R(9) and COMP 12.6.2AR	R	The changes referred to in (2) do not apply to a <i>claim</i> against a <i>relevant</i> person, or against a <i>successor</i> , that was <i>in default</i> before 29 April 2016.	From 29 Ap- ril 2016 in- definitely	29 April 2016

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	Material to which the transitional provision applies		Transitional Provision	Transitional provision: dates in force	Handbook Provisions: coming into force
39	Amend- ments in- troduced by the Com- pensation Sourcebook (Amend- ment No 10) Instru- ment 2016	R	Where a claim is against a successor that is not an authorised person, provisions and definitions arising out of (2) only apply if the default occurs on or after 29 April 2016 and the transfer, under which the successor assumed responsibility for liabilities arising from acts or omissions of the relevant person, occurred on or after 1 April 2013.	From 29 April 2016 indefinitely	29 April 2016
39A	Amend- ments in- troduced by the Fin- ancial Ser- vices Com- pensation Scheme (Extension of Scope to Recognised Investment Exchanges) Instrument 2017	R	The changes referred to in (2) do not apply in relation to a <i>claim</i> against a <i>recognised investment exchange</i> , or against a <i>successor</i> , arising from acts or omissions before 3 January 2018.	From 3 January 2018 indefinitely	3 January 2018
40	Amend- ments in- troduced by the Fin- ancial Ser- vices Com- pensation Scheme (Funding and Scope) Instrument 2017	R	The changes referred to in column (2) do not apply in relation to a claim against a relevant person, or against a successor, that was in default before 1 April 2018.	From 1 April 2018 indefinitely	1 April 2018
41	Amend- ments in- troduced by the Fin- ancial Ser- vices Com- pensation Scheme (Funding Review) In	R	The changes referred to in column (2) do not apply in relation to a claim against a relevant person, or against a successor, that was in default before 1 April 2019.	From 1 Ap- ril 2019 in- definitely	1 April 2019

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	Material to which the transitional provision applies		Transitional Provision	Transitional provision: dates in force	Handbook Provisions: coming into force
	strument 2018				
42	Amend- ments intro- duced by the Exiting the Euro- pean Union: Redress Sourcebooks (Amend- ments) In- strument 2019	R	The changes referred to in column (2) do not apply in relation to a relevant person or a successor that was in default on or before IP completion day.	From IP completion day in- definitely	IP comple- tion day
43	Amendments to COMP 5.5.2R(2) – (3) and COMP 5.7.2R(1)(b) and (2)(b) by the Exiting the European Union: Redress Sourcebooks (Amendments) Instrument 2019	R	The amendments referred to in column (2) only apply to acts or omissions by a relevant person after IP completion day.	From IP completion day indefinitely	IP comple- tion day
44	COMP TP 43	G	The purpose of COMPTP 43 is to ensure that the FSCS can pay compensation after IP completion dayin respect of acts or omissions before IP completion day by a branch of a UK firm that was established in an EEA State.		
45	COMP 6.3.1R, 6.3A.1R. 9.2.2R, 11.2.6, 12.3.5R and 12.3.6R	R	The defined terms "ICD claim" and "MiFID investment firm" in or under the provisions referred to in column (2) have the meaning they had immediately before IP completion day for any of the following purposes:	From <i>IP</i> completion day in- definitely	IP comple- tion day
			(1) declaring in default, or		
			(2) postponing compensation where the <i>claim</i> is not an <i>ICD claim</i> against, or		
			(3) paying a lesser sum in final set- tlement where the <i>claim</i> is not an <i>ICD claim</i> against, or		

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			(4) determining the quantification date in respect of, a pre-IP completion day incoming EEA firm, or the successor of such a firm.		
46	Amend- ments and deletions in participant firm and COMP by the Exiting the Euro-	R	The amendments and deletions referred to in column (2) are disapplied, in relation to a claim against a pre-IP completion day incoming EEA firm in respect of any act or omission by that firm before IP completion day, to the extent needed to enable the FSCS:	From <i>IP</i> completion day in- definitely	IP comple- tion day
	pean Union: Glossary (Amend- ments) In- strument 2019 and		(1) to determine whether, had the claim been made immediately before IP completion day, the FSCS would have paid compensation in respect of it; and		
	the Exiting the Euro-		(2) if so, to pay compensation in respect of that <i>claim</i> .		
	pean Union: Redress Sourcebooks (Amend- ments) In- strument 2019 re- spectively		For these purposes, where an amendment or deletion to a defined term is disapplied under this <i>rule</i> , that defined term has the meaning it had immediately before <i>IP completion day</i> .		
47	Amend- ments intro- duced to	R	The amendments referred to in column (2) do not apply:	From <i>IP</i> completion day, in-	IP comple- tion day
	COMP by the Exiting the Euro- pean Union:		(1) in relation to a claim against a TP firm, or against a successor of a TP firm, that was in default before IP completion day; or	definitely	
	Temporary Permission and Finan- cial Services Contracts Instrument		(2) to any acts or omissions before IP completion day that give rise to a claim against a TP firm, or against a successor of a TP firm, after IP completion day;		
	2019		but nothing in limb (2) of this <i>rule</i> shall limit the ability of the <i>FSCS</i> to pay compensation in respect of a <i>claim</i> against a <i>TP firm</i> or a successor of a <i>TP firm</i> , where it is a <i>relevant person</i> for a reason other than because it is a <i>TP firm</i> .		
48	Amend- ments intro- duced by the Funeral Plans In- strument 2021	R	The changes referred to in (2) do not apply in relation to a <i>claim</i> against a <i>relevant person</i> , or against a <i>successor</i> , that was in default before [date] nor, in relation to <i>claims</i> in connection with <i>protected funeral plan business</i> , where the relevant act or omission occurs before 29 July 2022.	From 29 July 2022 in- definitely	29 July 2022

Schedule 1 Record-keeping requirements

Sch 1.1 G

- 1. The aim of the guidance in the following able is to give the reader a quick overall view of the relevant record keeping requirements. The Rules listed below apply only to FSCS (the scheme manager).
- 2. It is not a complete statement of those requirements and should not be relied upon as it were.

Sch 1.2 G

Handbook reference	Subject of record	Contents of record	When record must be made	Retention period
FEES 6.3.14 R	FSCS funding	Full details of the movement of funds within subschemes.	Ongoing requirement.	N/A
[deleted]				
[deleted]				

COMP Sch 1/2

Schedule 2 Notification requirements

Sch 2.1 G

- 1. The aim of the guidance in the following table is to give the reader a quick overall view of the relevant requirements for notification and reporting. In all cases, other than those concerning the Transitional Provisions, the notification rules in *COMP* apply only to the *FSCS* (the scheme manager).
- 2. It is not a complete statement of those requirements and should not be relied on as if it were.

Sch 2.2 G

Handbook reference	Matter to be notified	Contents of noti- fication	Trigger event	Time allowed
COMP 2.2.5G	Annual Report	Not specified in COMP - see Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the FCA and the FSCS	End of Financial Year	Not speci- fied in COMP (see MoU)
COMP 2.2.7R	Default of relev- ant person or successor	Not specified - although the FSCS must take appropriate steps to ensure claimants are informed about how they can claim compensation	default of a relev- ant person or successor	Not speci- fied - but as soon as practicable after de- termining default
FEES 6.2.1AR	Right to exemption for specific costs and compensation costs levy	Notice that firm does not conduct business that could give rise to a claim on the FSCS and has no reasonable likelihood of doing so	If it does not, or if it ceases to, conduct business with persons eligible to claim on the FSCS, unless it has already given such notice	None specified though exemption generally only takes effect from the date of receipt of notice by the FSCS
FEES 6.2.4 R	Loss of right to seek exemption from specific costs & com-	Statement that firm no longer qualifies for ex- emption because	Firm loses the right to claim the exemption.	As soon as reasonably practicable

Handbook reference	Matter to be notified	Contents of noti- fication	Trigger event	Time allowed
	pensation costs levy	it carries on busi- ness with persons eligible to claim on FSCS		
FEES 6.5.13 R	Levy base for participant firm	The contribution groups to which the participant firm belongs. The total amount of business (measured in accordance with the appropriate tariff bases, which it conducted as at 31 December of the previous year)	The end of the calendar year (the occasion of 31 December every year beginning with 31 December 2001)	By end February or the date requested by the FCA where the firm becomes a participant firm part way through the financial year
FEES 6.7	Participant firms compensation levy for the finan- cial year	Amount of levy payable by the participant firm	The decision by the FSCS that it must impose a levy	30 days be- fore the levy is payable

Handbook reference	Matter to be notified	Contents of notification	Trigger event	Time allowed

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COMP Sch 2/4

Schedule 3 Fees and other required payments

Sch 3.1 G

The *rules* in FEES 6 give *FSCS* (the scheme manager) the power to raise levies on participant *firms* in order to meet its expenses. The *rules* in FEES 6 do not specify the amount of any levy but do specify how a participant *firm*'s share of a levy is to be calculated and any limit on the amount leviable by the *FSCS* is a particular period.

COMP Sch 3/2

Schedule 4 Powers Exercised

Sch 4.1 G [deleted]

Sch 4.2 G [deleted]

Sch 4.3 G [deleted]

Schedule 5 Rights of action for damages

Sch 5.1 G

- 1. The table below sets out the rules in *COMP*, contravention of which by an *authorised* person may be actionable under section 138D of the *Act* (Actions for damages) by a person who suffers loss as a result of the contravention.
- 2. If a "yes" appears in the column headed "For private person?", the *rule* may be actionable by a "*private person*" under Section 138D unless a "yes" appears in the column headed "Removed". A "yes" in the column headed "Removed" indicates that the *FCA* has removed the right of action under Section 138D(3) of the *Act*. If so, a reference to the *rule* in which it is removed is also given.
- 3. In accordance with the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Rights of Action) Regulations 2001 (SI 2001/2256) a "private person" is:
 - i any individual, except when acting in the course of carrying on a *regulated activity*; and
 - ii any *person* who is not an individual, except when acting in the course of carrying on business of any kind;

but does not include a government, local authority or an international organisation.

- 4. The column headed "For other person?" indicates whether the rule is actionable by a *person* other than a *private person*, in accordance with those Regulations. If so, an indication of the type of person by whom the rule is actionable is given.
- 5. The vast majority of rules in *COMP* are rules to which the *FSCS* is subject. No right of action arises under section 138D for breach of these rules, as the *FSCS* is not an *authorised person*.

Sch 5.2 G

Chapter/Appendix	Section/ Annex	Paragraph	For private person?	Removed	For other person?
COMP 1	5	8	No	Yes - COMP 1.5.12R	No

COMP Sch 5/2

Schedule 6 Rules that can be waived

Sch 6.1 G [deleted]

Sch 6.1A G

As a result of section 138A of the *Act* (Modification or waiver of rules) the *FCA* has power to waive all its *rules*, other than *rules* made under section 137O (Threshold condition code), section 247 (Trust scheme rules), section 248 (Scheme particular rules), section 261I (Contractual scheme particulars rules) of the *Act*.

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COMP Sch 6/2