Chapter 19F

Remuneration and performance management



19F.3 **Funeral plan remuneration** incentives

Application

- 19F.3.1 This section applies to a firm carrying on regulated funeral plan activities. R Remuneration and the customer's best interests
- 19F.3.2 R (1) A firm must not:
 - (a) be remunerated; or
 - (b) remunerate or assess the performance of its employees, in a way that conflicts with its duty to comply with the customer's best interests rule.
 - (2) In particular, a firm must not make any arrangements by way of remuneration, sales target or otherwise that could provide an incentive to itself or its *employees* to recommend or offer a particular funeral plan contract to a customer when the firm could offer a different funeral plan contract which would better meet the customer's needs.
- 19F.3.3 G
- (1) A firm should consider FPCOB 6.4R and FPCOB 6.5R when making arrangements which concern remuneration or performance incentives.
- (2) Examples of remuneration arrangements which may conflict with the customer's best interests rule include:
 - (a) arrangements which provide for higher levels of remuneration based on the price of the plan that is recommended or offered (i.e. higher remuneration for selling a more expensive plan);
 - (b) arrangements for *remuneration* or performance management which are based primarily on the number of plans sold, or the price of plans sold; and
 - (c) arrangements which do not have adequate provision for remuneration to be taken back if the customer cancels the plan.