Banking: Conduct of Business sourcebook

Chapter 7

Information about current account services

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Part 1Information about how to open a current account

Table 1: account opening information published under ■ BCOBS 7.3.1R and ■ BCOBS 7.3.3R(1) and (3)

To open [this account **OR** any of our accounts], a new customer will need to provide us with the [following documents and information **OR** the documents and information set out [link to webpage on which the list is published]]. We may request additional information or documents in individual cases.

OR

We do not publish a list of the documents and information which all new customers will need to give us in order to open [this **OR** an] account.

You can open [this OR an] account:

•without visiting a branch
 •where a visit to a branch is required, without an appointment
 •by sending us documents and information electronically
 •by post
 [☒ /yes OR X/no OR in some cases]
 [☒ /yes OR X/no OR in some cases]

Part 2Information about current account services

■ BCOBS 7 requires *firms* to publish the following tables in the following order, on one webpage, and preceded by the statement "The Financial Conduct Authority requires us to publish the following information about our [personal/business] current accounts:".

Table 2: availability of help and support in relation to certain services published under ■ BCOBS 7.5.2R

	How and when y	ou can contact us to ask about the	e following things	5:
	24 hour help?	Telephone	Internet banking	Mobile banking
contact details				
checking the balance and ac- cessing a trans- action history	[⊠ /yes OR X/ no]			
sending money within the UK, including set- ting up a standing order	[⊠ /yes OR X/ no]			
sending money outside the UK				
paying in a cheque	[⊠ /yes OR X/ no]			
cancelling a cheque	[⊠ /yes OR X/ no]			

How and when you can contact us to ask about the following things: cash with-[⋈ /yes OR X/ drawal in a for- no] eign currency outside the UK a lack of funds: [⋈ /yes OR X/ including unno1 arranged overdrafts, payments we allow despite lack of funds and payments we refuse due to lack of funds a direct debit, [⋈ /yes OR X/ or allowing no] someone to collect one or more payments from your account using your debit card number third party ac-[⋈ /yes OR X/ cess to an acnol count, for example under a power of attorney problems using [⋈ /yes OR X/ internet bankno] ing or mobile banking reporting a sus- [⋈ /yes OR X/ pected no] fraudulent incident or transaction progress fol-[⋈ /yes OR X/ lowing an acno] count suspension or card cancellation, e.g. following a fraud incident account open-[⋈ /yes OR X/ ing: including no] eligibility for an arranged overdraft, what is required to open an account and an indication

How and when you can contact us to ask about the following things:

of what arranged overdraft may be available

Note: this is a list of common queries. It does not represent the full list of queries you can raise in relation to your account [or queries you can raise in one of our branches].

Table 3: availability of certain services published under ■ BCOBS 7.5.1R

How and when you can use your bank account to do the following things: Telephone Internet banking Mobile banking banking

checking the balance

accessing a transaction history

sending money within the UK

setting up a standing order

sending money outside the UK

paying in a cheque

cancelling a cheque

Note: this is a list of common actions. It does not represent the full list of actions you can take in relation to your account [or actions you can take in one of our branches].

Table 4: information about operational and security incidents published under ■ BCOBS 7.6.1R

Information about operational and security incidents

We are obliged to notify the Financial Conduct Authority if we become aware of a major operational or security incident which prevents our customers from using our payment services.

In the 3 months between [e.g. 1 April 2018 and 30 June 2018]

In the 12 months between [e.g. 1 April 2018 and 31 March 2019]

Total number of incidents reported

Incidents affecting telephone banking

banking

Incidents affecting mobile

banking

Incidents affecting internet

banking

Table 5: complaints data published under ■ BCOBS 7.6.3R

Complaints data

Financial Conduct Authority rules require us to provide them with a report of our complaints data every six months. In certain circumstances, we are also required to publish a summary of our complaints data.

The most recent summary is available [indicate where e.g. website address]. **OR** We are not required to publish a summary of our complaints data for the most recent six month period.

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Complaints data

The Financial Ombudsman Service publishes its complaints data every six months. You can see their complaints data about us at http://www.ombudsman-complaints-data.org.uk/.

The Financial Ombudsman Service publishes its complaints data every six months. Its most recent publication does not contain any data relating to us.

Table 6: account opening information published under ■ BCOBS 7.3.3(4)R

Opening a current account with us

Go to [insert link(s) to the information published under BCOBS 7.3.1R and BCOBS 7.3.3R(3)] to find out how you can open an account, and what information and documents you need to give us to open an account.

OR

We do not publish information about how you can open an account or what information and documents you need to give us to open an account.

Table 7: account opening information published under ■ BCOBS 7.3.5R

How quickly do we open [personal/business] current accounts?

We give customers an account number and enable them to start paying into the account:

- •the same day, for [x]% of customers;
- on average, in [x] days; and
- •within [x] days for 99% of customers.

(for firms that publish a list under BCOBS 7.3.1R) These figures are based on the time taken from our receiving all the information and documents we ask for at [insert link(s) to the information published under BCOBS 7.3.1R], in a case where we don't need any further information or documents to open the account.

OR

(for firms that do not publish a list under BCOBS 7.3.1R) These figures are based on the time taken from when we first receive an application to open the account.

How quickly do we give customers a debit card?

Once an account is open, we give customers a debit card:

- •the same day, for [x]% of customers;
- on average, in [x] days; and
- •within [x] days for 99% of customers.

How quickly do customers get internet banking?

Once an account is open, customers have internet banking:

- •the same day, for [x]% of customers;
- on average, in [x] days; and
- •within [x] days for 99% of customers.

How quickly is an overdraft available?

Once an account is open, the overdraft is available:

- •the same day, for [x]% of customers;
- on average, in [x] days; and
- •within [x] days for 99% of customers.

Table 8: time taken to replace a lost, stolen or stopped debit card published under ■ BCOBS 7.4.1R

Replacing a debit card

How quickly do we replace debit cards which have been lost, stolen or stopped?

We replace debit cards:

- •the same day, for [x]% of customers;
- on average, in [x] days; and
- •within [x] days for 99% of customers.

Table 9: pricing information about personal current account overdrafts

What is the interest rate being charged on our products?

Product	[Range of] annual interest rate[s] payable for arranged overdrafts on [30 September 2020]	[Range of] annual interest rate[s] payable for unarranged overdrafts on [30 September 2020]	Refused payment fee on [30 September 2020]
[name of product]	xx.x%-xx.x%	xx.x%-xx.x%	fx
[name of product]	xx.x%	xx.x%	£x

How do our overdrafts compare?

A good way to compare the cost of our overdraft with other overdrafts or other ways of borrowing is to look at the APR. The APR shows the cost of borrowing over a year.

Information about overdraft pricing in the 3 months between [eg 1 July 2020 and 30 September 2020]

Product	[Range of] Advertised APR[s] during the quarter
[name of product]	x%
[name of product]	xx.x%- xx.x%

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