Consumer Redress Schemes sourcebook

Chapter 2

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		2.6 Consumer redress scheme: paying redress
2.6.1	R	 A firm must pay the redress determined to be payable to a consumer, calculated in accordance with the requirement in section 10 of the instructions at ■ CONRED 2 Annex 13: (1) within 28 days of receiving a claim from the consumer for the redress determined to be payable, following the issue of the redress
		 determination; and (2) in accordance with the instructions set out by the consumer in his response to the redress determination in which he makes the claim but a firm need not pay redress where the consumer did not send a claim for it within six months of the date of the redress determination, unless the consumer's failure to comply with that time limit was as a result of exceptional circumstances, except where the consumer refers a complaint in respect of the redress determination to the Financial Ombudsman Service within the time limits provided in DISP 2.8.2 R (or DISP 2.8.2 R (3) applies).
2.6.2	R	 (1) Simple interest is payable on the redress determined to be payable from the end of the 28-day period referred to in ■ CONRED 2.6.1R (1) until the date of payment, at a rate of 8% per annum. (2) After the expiry of 28 days following the consumer's claim for the redress, the redress, including interest, may be recovered as a debt due to the consumer and, in particular, may: (a) if a county court so orders in England and Wales, be recovered by execution issued from the county court (or otherwise) as if it were payable under an order of that court; or (b) be enforced in Northern Ireland as a money judgment under the Judgments Enforcement (Northern Ireland) Order 1981; or (c) be enforced in Scotland by the sheriff, as if it were a judgment or order of the sheriff and whether or not the sheriff could himself have granted such judgment or order. [Note: This <i>rule</i> is imposed by the <i>FCA</i> using the powers granted to it under section 404A(1)(m) of the <i>Act</i> to make <i>rules</i> providing for the enforcement of any redress scheme.]
2.6.3	G	(1) An example of exceptional circumstances in ■ CONRED 2.6.1 R might be where the consumer has been or is incapacitated.

(2) In considering whether circumstances are exceptional, *firms* may wish to have regard to the guidance on exceptional circumstances justifying the extension of the time limits, in the online technical resource titled "the six-month time limit" on the website of the *Financial Ombudsman Service*.