Disclosure Guidance and Transparency Rules sourcebook

Chapter 1C

Introduction (Primary information providers)



1C.2 Modifying rules and consulting the **FCA**

Modifying or dispensing with rules

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- (1) The FCA may dispense with, or modify, a requirement in DTR 8 in such cases and by reference to such circumstances as it considers appropriate (subject to the Act).
- (2) A dispensation or modification may be either unconditional or subject to specified conditions.
- (3) If a primary information provider or a person that is applying for approval as a *primary information provider* has applied for, or been granted, a dispensation or modification, it must notify the FCA immediately it becomes aware of any matter which is material to the relevance or appropriateness of the dispensation or modification.
- (4) The FCA may revoke or modify a dispensation or modification.

1C.2.2 R

- (1) An application to the FCA to dispense with or modify a requirement in ■ DTR 8 must be in writing.
- (2) The application must:
 - (a) contain a clear explanation of why the dispensation or modification is requested;
 - (b) include details of any special requirements, for example, the date by which the dispensation or modification is required;
 - (c) contain all relevant information that should reasonably be brought to the FCA's attention;
 - (d) contain any statement or information that is required by DTR 8 to be included for a specific type of dispensation or modification; and
 - (e) include copies of all documents relevant to the application.

[Note: the application may meet this requirement with copies of documents produced, recorded or stored using *electronic means*].

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An application to dispense with or modify a requirement in ■ DTR 8 must ordinarily be made at least five business days before the proposed dispensation or modification is to take effect.

Early consultation with FCA

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A primary information provider or a person applying for approval as a primary information provider must consult with the FCA at the earliest possible stage if they:

- (1) are in doubt about how a requirement in DTR 8 applies in a particular situation; or
- (2) consider that it may be necessary for the FCA to dispense with or modify a requirement in ■ DTR 8.

1C.2.5

Where a requirement in \blacksquare DTR 8 refers to consultation with the FCA, submissions must be made in writing other than in circumstances of exceptional urgency.

Address for correspondence

Note: The *FCA*'s address for correspondence in relation to ■ DTR 8 is:

Primary Market Monitoring

Enforcement and Market Oversight Division

The Financial Conduct Authority

12 Endeavour Square

London, E20 1JN

https://www.fca.org.uk/markets/primary-markets/contact/request-individualquidance