# **Conduct of Business Sourcebook**

Chapter 18

Specialist Regimes

18.6 Lloyd's

#### **Application**

18.6.1 R This section applies to a firm when it carries on Lloyd's market activities.

## COBS rules that apply to Lloyd's market activities

- 18.6.2 Only ■ COBS 3 (Client categorisation) and the *financial promotion rules* apply R when a firm is carrying out Lloyd's market activities.
- G 18.6.3 Firms are reminded that syndicate business plans may be used in ways that bring them within the definition of a financial promotion.

#### **Definitions and modifications**

- 18.6.4 R When a firm is carrying on Lloyd's market activities, any reference in COBS to the term:
  - (1) designated investment is to be taken to include the following specified investments:
    - (a) the underwriting capacity of a Lloyd's syndicate;
    - (b) membership of a Lloyd's syndicate; and
    - (c) rights to or interests in the specified investments in (a) or (b);
  - (2) designated investment business is to be taken to include the following regulated activities:
    - (a) advising on syndicate participation at Lloyd's;
    - (b) managing the underwriting capacity of a Lloyd's syndicate as a managing agent at Lloyd's; and
    - (c) agreeing to carry on the regulated activities in (a) or (b).

## The Principles and Lloyd's market activities

G Whilst COBS has limited application to Lloyd's market activities, firms conducting Lloyd's market activities are reminded that they are required to comply with the Principles.

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