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## Chapter 9A

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		9A.1 Application and purpose
		<b>Note:</b> ESMA has also issued guidelines under article 16(3) of the ESMA Regulation on certain aspects of the MiFID suitability requirements, 28 May 2018/ESMA-35-43-869 (EN).
		Application
9A.1.1	R	This chapter applies to a <i>firm</i> which provides:
		investment advice or portfolio management in the course of MiFID, equivalent third country or optional exemption business; or
		<i>investment advice</i> in relation to an <i>insurance-based investment</i> product.
9A.1.2	R	Effect of provisions marked "UK" for third country investment firms and MiFID optional exemption firms Provisions in this chapter marked "UK" and including a Note ('Note:') referring to the <i>MiFID Org Regulation</i> apply in relation to <i>MiFID optional</i> <i>exemption business</i> as if they were <i>rules</i> .
9A.1.3	G	The effect of GEN 2.2.22AR is that provisions in this chapter marked "UK" also apply in relation to the <i>equivalent business of a third country investment firm</i> as if they were <i>rules</i> .
9A.1.4	R	[deleted]