Chapter 3

Application, Notification and Vetting Fees

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Fees payable under the Payment Services Regulations, including for authorisation as an authorised payment institution, registration as a small payment institution, notification fees and fees for variation of authorisation and registration

Where an application involves a simple change of legal status as set out in ■ FEES 3 Annex 1 Part 6, the fee payable is 50% of the tariff that would otherwise be payable.

Where more than one fee is applicable to an application, the tariff payable is the highest of the applicable tariffs.

Applicable pricing category in FEES 3 Annex 1AR Application type for authorisation, registration and notification under Part 2 of the Payment Services Regulations (1) small payment institution (2) authorised payment institution - where the ap- 4 plicant is applying for authorisation to provide payment services in paragraph(s) (f) (money remittance) and/or (g) (payment initiation services) and/or (h) (account information services) of Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the Payment Services Regulations (2)(i) registered account information service provider - where the applicant is applying for registration to provide payment services in paragraph (h) (account information services) of Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the *Payment Services Regulations* (3) authorised payment institution - where the ap- 5 plicant is applying for authorisation to provide payment services in any one or more of paragraph(s): (a) (enabling cash to be placed on payment account and all operations required for operating a payment account); (b) (enabling cash withdrawals from a payments account and all operations required for operating a payment account); (c) (execution of direct debts, payment transactions executed through a payment card or similar device, credit transfers); (d) (execution of payment transactions where the funds are covered by a credit line for the payment service user); (e) (issuing payments instruments or acquiring payment transactions) of Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the *Payment Services* 

Regulations.

- (4) authorised payment institution where, at the time the application is made, the applicant intends to use agents
- (5) authorised payment institution where, during the course of the FCA financial year (12) months ending 31 March), the firm notifies the FCA of any changes to the list of agents it has registered since authorisation
- (6) A person (service provider) where, during the course of the FCA financial year (12 months ending 31 March) that person notifies the FCA under regulation 38 of the Payment Services Regulations of its use of the limited network exclusion or the electronic communications exclusion

[Note: If the FCA determines that the claim for exemption is not valid and the business must apply for authorisation or registration, then the latest exemption charge paid by the business will be deducted from the relevant application fee.]

3 for each agent registered with the FCA at the time of application.

This fee is in addition to any fee due under paragraph (2) or (3) of this table.

3 for each change notified to the FCA during the FCA financial year.

No fee is due under paragraph (5) if the total number of notifications to the FCA during the FCA financial year numbers 100 or less.

If the FCA determines that the claim for exemption is not valid and the business must apply for authorisation or registration, then the latest exemption charge paid by the business will be deducted from the relevant application fee.

## (7) [deleted]

- (8) The fees set out in paragraphs (8)(a), (b) and (c) are applicable to an authorised payment institution applying to vary its authorisation under regulation 5 of the Payment Services Regulations where the authorised payment institution is applying to increase the payment services that it is permitted to carry on. The fees in these paragraphs are irrespective of the number of agents the applicant has.
- (a) If the authorised payment institution is authorised to carry on payment services in paragraphs (f), (g) or (h) of Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the Payment Services Regulations and is applying to extend its authorisation to include any one or more of the payment services in (a) to (e) of Part 1 of Schedule 1.

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(b) If the authorised payment institution is authorised to carry on payment services in paragraphs (a) to (e) of Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the Payment Services Regulations and is applying to add one or more of the services in (a) and (f).

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(c) If the authorised payment institution is authorised to carry on payment services in paragraphs (a) to (f) of Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the Payment Services Regulations and is applying to add one or both services in (g) and (h).

- These charges are irrespective of the number of agents the applicant has.
- (9) Variation of registration under regulation 13 of the Payment Services Regulations where the small payment institution is applying to increase the payment services that it is permitted to carry on.

50% of 2

Note: See FEES TP 17 for transitional provisions relating to fees payable for authorisation as an authorised payment institution or registration as a small payment institution under the Payment Services Regulations 2017 (SI 2017/752).