## Chapter 5

# Financial Ombudsman Service Funding

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## Annual General Levy Payable in Relation to the Compulsory Jurisdiction for 2023/24

#### Introduction: annual budget

- 1. The annual budget for 2023/24 approved by the FCA is £234.2m.
- 2. The total amount expected to be raised through the general levy in 2023/24 will be £106m. .

#### Compulsory jurisdiction - general levy

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lariff base	General levy payable by firm
Number of accounts relevant to the activities in DISP 2.6.1 R as at 31 December	£0.1261 per relevant account, subject to a minimum levy of £100
In the case of dormant asset fund operators, the tariff base is the number of eligible activated accounts (8).	
Gross written premium for fees purposes as defined in FEES 4 An- nex 1AR (GWP); or	£0.3816 per £1,000 of GWP or RGWP, subject to a minimum levy of £100
Gross written premium notified to the FCA under FEES 5.4.1R(1A) that relates to the firm's relevant business (RGWP)	
Not applicable	£105,410 to be allocated by the <i>Society</i>
Gross written premium for fees purposes as defined in FEES 4 An- nex 1AR (GWP); or	£0.0509 per £1,000 of GWP or RGWP, subject to a minimum levy of £130
Gross written premium notified to the FCA under FEES 5.4.1R(1A) that relates to the firm's relevant business (RGWP)	
Flat fee	Levy of £210
Flat fee	Levy of £60
Flat fee	Levy of £75
Annual income as defined in FEES 4 Annex 11AR relating to firm's relevant business.	£0.383 per £1,000 of annual income subject to a minimum fee of £45
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Industry block	Tariff base	General levy payable by firm
9-Advisors, arrangers, dealers or brokers not holding and controlling client money and/or assets	Annual income as defined in FEES 4 Annex 11AR relating to firm's relevant business.	£0.265 per £1,000 of annual income subject to a minimum fee of £45
10-Corporate finance advisers	Flat fee	Levy of £55
11-fee-paying payment service providers (but excluding firms in any other Industry block except Industry block 18)	For authorised payment institutions, registered account information service providers, electronic money issuers (except for small electronic money institutions), the Post Office Limited, the Bank of England, government departments and local authorities, TA EMI firms, TA PI firms and TA RAISP firms, relevant income as described in FEES 4 Annex 11R Part 3	£0.0044 per £1,000 of relevant income subject to a minimum levy of £75
	For small payment institutions and small electronic money institutions a flat fee	Levy of £35
13-Cash plan health providers	Flat fee	Levy of £65
14-Credit unions	Flat fee	Levy of £55
15-Friendly societies whose tax- exempt business represents 95% or more of their total rel- evant business	Flat fee	Levy of £65
16-Home finance providers, advisers and arrangers (excluding firms in blocks 13, 14 & 15)	Flat fee	Levy of £85
17 - General insurance distribution (excluding <i>firms</i> in blocks 13, 14 & 15)	Annual income (as defined in MIPRU 4.3) relating to firm's relevant business	f0.8840 per £1,000 of annual income (as defined in MIPRU 4.3) relating to firm's relevant business subject to a minimum levy of £100
18 - fee-paying electronic money issuers	For all fee-paying electronic money issuers except for small electronic money institutions, and TA EMI firms, average outstanding electronic money, as described in FEES 4 Annex 11R Part 3.	£0.0001 per £1,000 of average outstanding electronic money subject to a minimum levy of £40
	For small electronic money institutions, a flat fee	Levy of £50
19 - Credit-related regulated activities with limited permission	For not-for-profit debt advice bodies, a flat fee	Levy of £0
	For all other firms with limited permission, a flat fee	Levy of £35
20 - Credit-related regulated activities	Annual income as defined in FEES 4 Annex 11BR	Levy of £35  Plus £1.497 per £1,000 of annual income on income above £250,000
21 - CBTL firms that do not have permission to carry out any regulated activities	Flat fee	Levy of £35

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22 - designated credit reference agencies (but excluding firms in any other industry block)	Flat fee	Levy of £75
23 – designated finance plat- forms (but excluding firms in any other industry block)	Flat fee	Levy of £75
24 – claims management companies	Annual income	Levy of £50 plus £0.78 per £1,000 of annual income
25 – funeral plan intermediaries and funeral plan providers	Flat fee	Levy of £35

#### Notes

- 4 [not used]
- The *industry blocks* in the table are based on the equivalent activity groups set out in Part 1 of FEES 4 Annex 1AR, and Part 2 and Part 2A of FEES 4 Annex 11R.
- Where the tariff base in the table is defined in similar terms as that for the equivalent activity group in Part 3 of FEES 4 Annex 1AR, or Part 3 of FEES 4 Annex 11R, it must be calculated in the same way as that tariff base taking into account only the *firm's relevant business* (except for *firms* in *industry blocks* 2 and 4).
- 7 [deleted]
- 8 Eligible activated accounts are the number of *repayment claims* met by the *dormant asset* fund operators as at 31 December.