## **Fees Manual**

Chapter 7A

SFGB levies

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# SFGB debt advice levy for the period from 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024

#### Part 1

This table shows how the FCA links the regulated activities for which a firm has permission to activity groups (fee-blocks). A firm can use the table to identify which fee-blocks it falls into based on its permission for the purposes of the SFGB debt advice levy applicable to each activity group (fee-block).

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Activity group	SFGB debt advice levy payer falls in the activity group if:				
A.2 Home finance providers and administrators	It falls under activity group A.2 as defined in Part 1 of FEES 4 Annex 1AR.				
CC.3 Consumer credit lending	Its permission is in relation to the following regulated activities:				
	-entering into a regulated credit agreement as lender (article 60B(1) of the Regulated Activities Order);				
	-exercising, or having the right to exercise, the lender's rights and duties under a regulated credit agreement (article 60B(2) of the Regulated Activities Order);				
	which is carried on by way of business and relates to the following specified investments:				
	(a) a regulated credit agreement (excluding high-cost short-term credit, a home credit loan agreement and a bill of sale loan agreement);				
	(b) high-cost short-term credit;				
	(c) a home credit loan agreement;				
	(d) a bill of sale loan agreement.				

### Part 2

Tariff base
The sterling value of any residential loans to individuals being the sum of gross unsecuritised and securitised balances (applying the definitions of Unsecuritised balances and Securitised balances set out in Section A: Balance Sheet of SUP 16 Annex 19BG.)
Value of lending in column A of <i>data item</i> CCR003 reported by <i>firms</i> under SUP 16 Annex 38AR, being the sum of <i>data elements</i> entered in rows:
- 1 Debt purchasing;
- 2 Hire purchase/conditional sale agreements;
- 3 Home credit loan agreements;
- 4 Bill of sale loan agreements;
- 5 Pawnbroking;
- 6 High-cost short-term credit;
- 11 Overdrafts;
- 12 Other running-account credit; and
- 8 Other lending.

### Note

(1) The tariff base for authorised professional firms that do not submit data item CCR003 under SUP 16 Annex 38AR is the same as set out above and should be reported to the FCA as required by FEES 4.4.1R and FEES 4.4.2R. The valuation date is in accordance with the CC.3 valuation date in Part 3.

### Part 3

This table indicates the valuation date for each fee-block. A firm can calculate its tariff data in respect of the SFGB debt advice levy payable to the FCA by that firm.

Activity group	Valuation date
A.2 Home finance providers and administrators	The 31 December before the start of the period to which the fee applies or, if earlier, the date of the valuation as disclosed by the annual return made in the calendar year prior to the 31 December.
CC.3 Consumer credit lending	Value of lending under Part 2 valued at the <i>firm's accounting reference</i> date in the calendar year ending 31 December occurring before the start of the period to which the <i>SFGB debt advice levy</i> applies.

#### Part 4

This table shows the tariff rates applicable to each of the fee-blocks set out in Part 1

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Activity group	SFGB debt advice levy payable			
A.2 Home finance providers and administrators	Band width (£million of secured debt) >0	Fee (£/£m or part £m of secured debt) 27.05		
CC.3 Con- sumer credit lending	Band width (£million of value of lending) >0 (Note 1)	Fee (£/£m or part £m of value of lending) 173.01		
Notes				

(1) Credit unions and community finance organisations do not pay any SFGB debt advice levy on the first £2,000,000 of value of lending.