**Insurance: Conduct of Business** 

## Chapter 3

## Distance communications

## Distance marketing information

## This Annex belongs to ■ ICOBS 3.1.3 R

| Distance marketing    | information   |  |
|-----------------------|---|--|
| The firm              |   |  |
| (1)                   | The name and the main business of the <i>firm</i> , the geographical address at which it is established and any other geographical address relevant for the <i>consumer's</i> relations with the <i>firm</i> .  |  |
| (2)                   | Where the <i>firm</i> has a representative established in the <i>United Kingdom</i> , the name of that representative and the geographical address relevant for the <i>consumer's</i> relations with the representative.  |  |
| (3)                   | When the <i>consumer's</i> dealings are with any professional other than the <i>firm</i> , the identity of that professional, the capacity in which he is acting with respect to the <i>consumer</i> , and the geographical address relevant for the <i>consumer's</i> relations with that professional.  |  |
| (4)                   | An appropriate statutory status disclosure statement (GEN 4), a statement that the firm is on the <i>Financial Services Register</i> and its <i>FCA</i> registration number.  |  |
| The financial service |   |  |
| (5)                   | A description of the main characteristics of the service the <i>firm</i> will provide.  |  |
| (6)                   | The total price to be paid by the <i>consumer</i> to the <i>firm</i> for the financial service, including all related <i>fees</i> , charges and expenses, and all taxes paid through the <i>firm</i> or, when an exact price cannot be indicated, the basis for the calculation of the price enabling the <i>consumer</i> to verify it.   |  |
| (7)                   | Where relevant, notice indicating that the financial service is related to instru-<br>ments involving special risks related to their specific features or the operations<br>to be executed or whose price depends on fluctuations in the financial markets<br>outside the <i>firm</i> 's control and that past performance is no indicator of future per-<br>formance.  |  |
| (8)                   | Notice of the possibility that other taxes or costs may exist that are not paid through the <i>firm</i> or imposed by it.   |  |
| (9)                   | Any limitations on the period for which the information provided is valid, includ-<br>ing a clear explanation as to how long a <i>firm</i> 's offer applies as it stands.   |  |
| (10)                  | The arrangements for payment and for performance.   |  |
| (11)                  | Details of any specific additional cost for the <i>consumer</i> for using a means of distance communication.  |  |
| The distance contract |   |  |
| (12)                  | The existence or absence of a right to cancel under the cancellation <i>rules</i> (ICOBS 7) and, where there is such a right, its duration and the conditions for exercising it, including information on the amount which the <i>consumer</i> may be required to pay (or which may not be returned to the <i>consumer</i> ) in accordance with those <i>rules</i> , as well as the consequences of not exercising the right to cancel. |  |
| (13)                  | The minimum duration of the contract, in the case of services to be performed permanently or recurrently.   |  |
| (14)                  | Information on any rights the parties may have to terminate the contract early<br>or unilaterally under its terms, including any penalties imposed by the contract<br>in such cases.  |  |

3

| Distance marketing | information   |
|--------------------|---|
| (15)               | Practical instructions for exercising any right to cancel, including the address to which any cancellation notice should be sent.   |
| (16)               | [deleted]   |
| (17)               | Any contractual clause on law applicable to the contract or on the competent court, or both.  |
| (18)               | In which language, or languages, the contractual terms and conditions and the other information in this Annex will be supplied, and in which language, or languages, the <i>firm</i> , with the agreement of the <i>consumer</i> , undertakes to communicate during the duration of the contract. |
| Redress            |   |
| (19)               | How to complain to the <i>firm</i> , whether complaints may subsequently be referred to the <i>Financial Ombudsman Service</i> and, if so, the methods for having access to it, together with equivalent information about any other applicable named complaints scheme.                          |
| (20)               | Whether compensation may be available from the <i>compensation scheme</i> , or any other named compensation scheme, if the <i>firm</i> is unable to meet its liabilities, and information about any other applicable named compensation scheme.   |
|                    |   |

[Note: Recitals 21 and 23 to, and article 3(1) of, the Distance Marketing Directive]