Chapter 19

Securitised derivatives: Standard listing



19.1 Application

- 19.1.1 This chapter applies to an issuer of:
 - (1) retail securitised derivatives;
 - (2) specialist securitised derivatives; and
 - (3) other derivative products if the FCA has specifically approved their listing under this chapter.

Other derivative products

- 19.1.2 R For the purposes of this chapter, an issuer of other derivative products that have received the specific approval of the FCA to be listed under this chapter must comply with the rules applicable to an issuer of specialist securitised derivatives unless otherwise stated.
- 19.1.3 The FCA will not admit to listing, under this chapter, other derivative products that are likely to be bought and traded by investors who are not specialist investors, unless the derivative product falls within the scope of specified investments in Part III of the Regulated Activities Order.



19.2 Requirements for listing

19.2.1 R An applicant for the admission of securitised derivatives must comply with
LR 2 (Requirements for listing - all securities) and the following requirements.

Requirements for listing: the issuer

- 19.2.2 R An applicant for the admission of securitised derivatives must either:
 - (1) have permission under the Act to carry on its activities relating to securitised derivatives and be either a bank or a securities and futures firm;
 - (2) if the applicant is an overseas company:
 - (a) be regulated by an *overseas* regulator responsible for the regulation of banks, securities firms or futures firms and which has a lead regulation agreement for financial supervision with the *FCA*; and
 - (b) be carrying on its activities relating to securitised derivatives within the approved scope of its business; or
 - (3) arrange for its obligations in relation to the *securitised derivatives*, to be unconditionally and irrevocably *guaranteed* by, or benefit from an arrangement which is equivalent in its effect to such a *guarantee* provided by, an entity which satisfies (1) or (2).

Requirements for listing

- For a securitised derivative to be listed, its underlying instrument must be traded on a regulated, regularly operating, recognised open market, unless it is:
 - (1) a currency; or
 - (2) an index; or
 - (3) an interest rate; or
 - (4) a basket of any of the above.

Requirements for listing: retail products

- To be listed, a retail securitised derivative must: 19.2.5
 - (1) satisfy the requirements set out in LR 19.2.3 R; and
 - (2) not be a contingent liability investment.
- 19.2.6 To be listed, if a retail securitised derivative gives its holder a right of exercise, its terms and conditions must provide that:
 - (1) for cash settled securitised derivatives that are in the money at the exercise time on the expiration date, the exercise of the securitised derivative is automatic; or
 - (2) for physically settled securitised derivatives that are in the money at the exercise time on the expiration date, if the holder fails to deliver an exercise notice by the time stipulated in the terms and conditions, the issuer will, irrespective of the failure to exercise, pay to the holder an amount in cash in lieu of the holders failure to deliver the exercise notice, the amount and method of calculation of this amount to be determined by the issuer.



19.3 Listing applications

Listing application procedures

- 19.3.1 R An applicant for admission of securitised derivatives must comply with:
 - (1) LR 3.2 (Application for admission to listing); and
 - (2) LR 3.4.4 R to LR 3.4.8 R.
- In addition to the documents referred to in ■LR 3.4.6 R, an applicant for admission of securitised derivatives must keep a copy of the securitised derivative agreement or securitised derivative instrument or similar document for six years after the admission of the relevant securitised derivative.

19.4 **Continuing obligations**

Application

- 19.4.1 R An issuer that has only securitised derivative listed is subject to the continuing obligations set out in this chapter.
- 19.4.2 R An issuer that has both securitised derivatives and other securities listed is subject to the continuing obligations set out in this chapter and the continuing obligations that are applicable to the other securities so listed.

Admission to trading

- 19.4.3 R (1) An issuer's listed securitised derivatives must be admitted to trading on a RIE's market for listed securities at all times.
 - (2) An issuer must inform the FCA in writing as soon as possible if it has:
 - (a) requested a RIE to admit or re-admit any of its listed securitised derivatives to trading; or

- (b) requested a RIE to cancel or suspend trading of any of its listed securitised derivatives; or
- (c) been informed by a RIE that the trading of any of its listed securitised derivatives will be cancelled or suspended.
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- 19.4.5 [deleted]
- 19.4.6 R [deleted]
- 19.4.7 R If an issue is *guaranteed* by an unlisted *company*, an *issuer* must submit the guarantor's accounts to the FCA.
- 19.4.8 R [deleted]

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19.4.9 R [deleted]

Settlement arrangements

- 19.4.10 R
- (1) An *issuer* must ensure that appropriate settlement arrangements for its *listed securitised derivatives* are in place.
- (2) Listed securitised derivatives must be eligible for electronic settlement, which includes settlement by a relevant system, as that term is defined in the Uncertificated Securities Regulations 1995 (SI 1995/3272).

Disclosure requirements and transparency rules

- 19.4.11 R
- An *issuer* must comply with the obligations referred to under articles 17 and 18 of the *Market Abuse Regulation* as if it were an *issuer* for the purposes of those obligations and the *transparency rules*, subject to article 22 of the *Market Abuse Regulation*.
- 19.4.11A G

An *issuer*, whose securities are admitted to trading on a *regulated market*, should consider its obligations under ■ DTR 4 (Periodic financial reporting), ■ DTR 5 (Vote holder and issuer notification rules) and ■ DTR 6 (Access to information).

19.4.11B R

For the purposes of compliance with the *transparency rules*, the *FCA* considers that an *issuer* of *securitised derivatives* should comply with ■ DTR 4, ■ DTR 5 and ■ DTR 6 as if it were an issuer of debt securities as defined in the *transparency rules*.

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An *issuer* that is not already required to comply with the *transparency rules* must comply with DTR 6.3 as if it were an issuer for the purposes of the *transparency rules*.

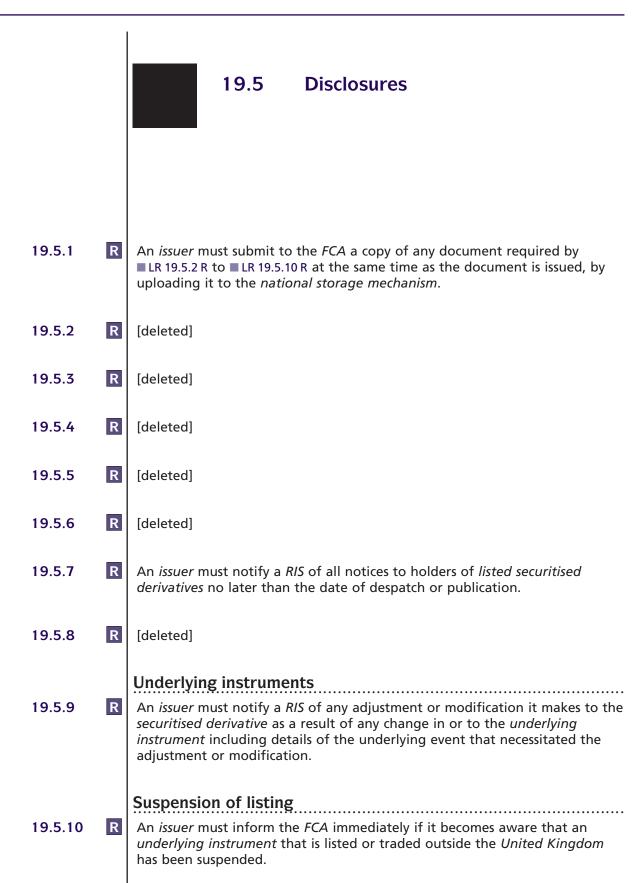
Disclosure of rights attached to securitised derivatives

- 19.4.11D R
- (1) An *issuer* must comply with the requirements of LR 14.3.11AR to LR 14.3.11DR.
- (2) For the purposes of this *rule*:
 - (a) references to a *company* in LR 14.3.11AR to LR 14.3.11DR must be read as references to an *issuer*; and
 - (b) references to *listed shares* in LR 14.3.11AR to LR 14.3.11DR must be read as references to *listed securitised derivatives*.

Documents of title

19.4.12 R

An *issuer* must comply with the requirements in ■ LR 9.5.15 R (temporary documents of title) and ■ LR 9.5.16 R (definitive documents of title) so far as relevant to *securitised derivatives*.



Note: \blacksquare LR 5.1.2G (7) and (8) and \blacksquare LR 5.4.6 G are of relevance to an *issuer* of *securitised derivatives*.