Supervision

Chapter 10C

FCA senior managers regime for approved persons in SMCR firms

		10C.1 Application
10C.1.1	R	General This chapter applies to every <i>SMCR firm</i> .
10C.1.2	G	This chapter is also relevant to FCA-approved SMF managers of an SMCR firm.
10C.1.2A	G	 SUP 10C Annex 1 (What functions apply to what type of firm) sets out: (1) how this chapter applies to different types of SMCR firm; and (2) the SMCR firms to which no controlled functions in this chapter apply.
10C.1.3	R	Overseas firms: UK services This chapter does not apply to an <i>overseas SMCR firm</i> other than in relation to an establishment maintained by it or its <i>appointed representative</i> in the <i>United Kingdom</i> .
10C.1.4	R	EEA firms: general application This chapter does not apply to an <i>SMCR firm</i> if and in so far as the question of whether a <i>person</i> is fit and proper to perform a particular function in relation to that <i>firm</i> is reserved to an authority in a country or territory outside the <i>United Kingdom</i> as contemplated by section 59(8) of the <i>Act</i> . This <i>rule</i> has effect to the extent that, and for as long as, section 59(8) of the <i>Act</i> remains in effect under the standstill direction (as it relates to that section) as defined in the direction made by the <i>FCA</i> under Part 7 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 that came into force on <i>IP completion day</i> and is titled "Main FCA Transitional Directions".
10C.1.5	G	[deleted]
10C.1.5A	G	Overseas firms: general (1) Generally, where an overseas manager of an overseas SMCR firm has responsibilities in relation to its branch in the United Kingdom that are strategic only, they will not need to be an FCA-approved SMF manager.

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		(2) However, where an overseas manager is responsible for implementing that strategy for its <i>branch</i> in the <i>United Kingdom</i> , and has not delegated that responsibility to an <i>SMF manager</i> in the <i>United Kingdom</i> , they will potentially be performing an <i>FCA controlled function</i> if the detailed conditions in this chapter defining the relevant <i>FCA controlled function</i> are met.
		UK firm with overseas branches or providing services on a cross-border basis
10C.1.6	G	There are no territorial limitations to SUP 10C for:
		(1) overseas branches of UK firms; or
		(1) UK firms providing services into or out of the United Kingdom on a cross-border basis.
		Appointed representatives
10C.1.7	R	This chapter does not deal with an <i>approved person</i> who is approved under SUP 10A (FCA Approved Persons in Appointed Representatives).
10C.1.8	G	(1) ■ SUP 10A (FCA Approved Persons in Appointed Representatives) deals with the <i>approved persons</i> regime for <i>appointed representatives</i> of <i>SMCR firms</i> .
		(2) In general this chapter does not apply to <i>appointed representatives</i> of <i>SMCR firms</i> . ■ SUP 10A applies instead.
		(2) In theory, a person employed by an appointed representative of an SMCR firm could come within one of the controlled functions in this chapter. If so, that person will be performing a senior management function and this chapter would apply. However, the FCA thinks that such a situation should rarely arise unless the person is seconded to the firm.
		If a person is an approved person under this chapter and under SUP 10A for the same firm, this chapter applies to FCA-designated senior management functions under this chapter and SUP 10A applies to controlled functions under SUP 10A. It is unlikely that such a scenario would normally arise in practice.
		(5) Both this chapter and ■ SUP 10A deal with an appointed representative that has a limited permission to carry on a regulated activity prescribed for the purposes of section 39(1E)(a) of the Act.
		Insolvency practitioners
10C.1.9	R	This chapter does not apply to a function performed by a <i>person</i> acting as:
		(1) an insolvency practitioner within the meaning of section 388 of the Insolvency Act 1986;

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		a nominee in relation to a voluntary arrangement under Parts I (Company Voluntary Arrangements) and VIII (Individual Voluntary Arrangements) of the Insolvency Act 1986; (3) an insolvency practitioner within the meaning of article 3 of the
		Insolvency (Northern Ireland) Order 1989; or (4) a nominee in relation to a voluntary arrangement under Parts II (Company Voluntary Arrangements) and VIII (Individual Voluntary Arrangements) of the Insolvency (Northern Ireland) Order 1989.
		Swiss general insurers
10C.1.10	R	For Swiss general insurers, references in this chapter to parts of the PRA Rulebook for 'Solvency II firms' are to be read as references to the corresponding parts of the PRA Rulebook applying to large non-directive insurers.
10C.1.11	G	Swiss general insurers are in the large non-directive insurers sector of the PRA Rulebook and the PRA applies to them, in relation to their controlled functions, provisions equivalent to those applying to third country branches in the Solvency II firms sector of the PRA Rulebook. The FCA includes them as third country undertakings of Solvency II firms and so they must follow the requirements for Solvency II firms set out in this chapter.
10C.1.12	G	Insurance and mortgage credit mediation See MIPRU 2.2 (Allocation of the responsibility for insurance distribution activity or MCD credit intermediation activity) for how the FCA's senior managers regime for SMCR firms is adjusted for a firm carrying on insurance distribution activity or MCD credit intermediation activity.