Chapter 10C

FCA senior managers regime for approved persons in SMCR firms



10C.8 The other local responsibility function (SMF22)

Application

- 10C.8.-2 R This section:
 - (1) applies to an overseas SMCR firm to which SYSC 26 (Senior managers and certification regime: Overall and local responsibility) applies; and
 - (2) does not apply to an EEA SMCR firm.
- 10C.8.-1 G The other local responsibility function only applies to one of the following types of overseas SMCR firm:
 - (1) an SMCR banking firm; and
 - (2) a Solvency II firm (including a large non-directive insurer) but excluding certain firms in run-off;

but does not apply to any EEA SMCR firm.

Other local responsibility function (SMF22)

- 10C.8.1 A person performs the other local responsibility function in relation to a branch maintained in the United Kingdom by an overseas SMCR firm if that person:
 - (1) is performing:
 - (a) a function allocated to that *person* under SYSC 26.3.1R (Main rules) in relation to the firm; or
 - (b) FCA-prescribed senior management responsibility (z) in the table in ■ SYSC 24.2.6R (functions in relation to CASS) allocated to that person under ■ SYSC 24.2 (Allocation of FCA-prescribed senior management responsibilities: Main allocation rules); and
 - (2) does not have an approval to perform any other designated senior management function in relation to the branch.
- 10C.8.2 G The table in ■SUP 10C.8.3G gives:
 - (1) examples of how SUP 10C.8.1R(2) works; and
 - (2) other examples of how the other local responsibility function works.

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10C.8.3 G Table: Examples of how the other local responsibility function applies

Example

Comments

- (1) 'A' is allocated local responsibility for one of a *branch's* main business lines. A is also appointed to perform a *PRA-designated senior management function* for the same *branch*. The *firm* is a *PRA-authorised person*.
- ty A only needs approval to perform the *PRA-designated senior managemment function*.
- (2) 'A' is outside the *branch*'s management structure and A's responsibilities for the *branch* are limited to setting overall strategy for the *branch*. A does not have responsibility for implementing that strategy.

A is not performing the other local responsibility function. The reason for this is explained in SYSC 26.8.3G. SUP 10C.8.1R(2) is irrelevant to this example.

(3) A small branch undertakes two business lines (wholesale lending and corporate investments). 'A' is head of wholesale lending and is also an executive director of the branch. 'B' is head of corporate investments and does not sit on the branch management committee but reports to it on corporate investments. The branch allocates local responsibility for these functions to A and B. Neither A nor B performs any other FCA-designated senior management function or (if the firm is a PRA-authorised person) PRA-designated senior management function.

A only needs approval to perform the executive director function. B needs approval to perform the other local responsibility function.

(4) A *branch* does not have a Head of Internal Audit. 'P' is allocated local responsibility for internal audit in relation to that *branch*.

P needs approval to perform the other local responsibility function. However, if P has already been approved to perform another FCA-designated senior management function or (if the firm is a PRA-authorised person) PRA-designated senior management function for that firm, then P will not be performing the other local responsibility function.

(5) 'A' is appointed to perform the executive director function. The same branch also allocates local responsibility for some branch functions to A.

A only needs approval to perform the executive director function.

(6) 'A' is approved to perform the other local responsibility function. Later, A is appointed to perform the executive director function for the same firm.

A requires approval for the other local responsibility function when A is first appointed. When A is later approved to perform the executive director function, A stops performing the other local responsibility function. The firm should use Form E to apply for approval for A to perform the executive director function and to notify the FCA that A is no longer performing the other local responsibility function.

(7) 'A' is appointed to perform:

A needs approval to perform the

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compliance oversight function for (a) the compliance oversight func-Firm X and the other local responsibtion for one firm (Firm X) in a ility function for Firm Y. group (which may or may not be an SMCR firm to which the other local responsibility function applies); and (b) a function coming within the scope of the other local responsibility function for the United Kingdom branch of another firm (which is an overseas SMCR firm to which the other local responsibility function applies) in the same group (Firm Y). (8) 'A' is appointed to take on some On A's first appointment, A will functions that come within the need to be approved to perform the other local responsibility other local responsibility function. Later, A is appointed as chief risk offunction. ficer. A is a type of firm for which On being approved as chief risk ofbeing chief risk officer is a PRA desficer, A stops performing the *other* ignated senior management funclocal responsibility function. tion or an FCA-designated senior management function. (9) 'A' is appointed as an executive On A's first appointment, A will director. A then resigns and takes need to be approved to perform up a job with the same firm coming the executive director function. A within the other local responsibility will need to get approval to perform the other local responsibility function. function before A takes up their new responsibilities. Note: Local responsibility is explained in SYSC 26 (Senior managers and certification regime: Overall and local responsibility). [deleted] [Editor's note: The text of this provision has been moved to ■ SUP 10C.8A.2R1 [deleted] [Editor's note: The text of this provision has been moved to ■ SUP 10C.8A.3Gl [deleted] [Editor's note: The text of this provision has been moved to ■ SUP 10C.8A.4G] [deleted] [Editor's note: The text of this provision has been moved to ■ SUP 10C.5A.3Gl Temporary absences A person does not perform the other local responsibility function in relation to a firm by performing a function allocated to that person under ■ SYSC 26.4.6R (Exclusion where the 12-week rule applies) in relation to the firm.

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Head of the legal function

A person does not perform the other local responsibility function by having local responsibility for the SMCR legal function under ■ SYSC 26.3.

10C.8.10 G The *guidance* in ■ SUP 10C.7.7G also applies to ■ SUP 10C.8.9R.

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