COMPENSATION SOURCEBOOK (DEPOSIT GUARANTEE SCHEMES DIRECTIVE AMENDMENTS) INSTRUMENT 2009

Powers exercised

- A. The Financial Services Authority makes this instrument in the exercise of the powers and related provisions in:
 - (1) the following sections of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 ("the Act"):
 - (a) section 138 (General rule-making power);
 - (b) section 156 (General supplementary powers);
 - (c) section 157(1) (Guidance);
 - (d) section 213 (The compensation scheme); and
 - (e) section 214 (General); and
 - (2) the other powers and related provisions listed in Schedule 4 (Powers exercised) to the General Provisions of the Handbook.
- B. The rule-making powers referred to above are specified for the purpose of section 153(2) (Rule-making instruments) of the Act.

Commencement

- C. This instrument comes into force as follows:
 - (1) Annex A and Part 1 of Annex B come into force on 30 June 2009:
 - (2) Part 2 of Annex B comes into force on 1 January 2010; and
 - (3) Part 3 of Annex B comes into force on 31 December 2010.

Amendments to the Handbook

- D. The Glossary of definitions is amended in accordance with Annex A to this instrument.
- E. The Compensation sourcebook (COMP) is amended in accordance with Annex B to this instrument.

Notes

F. In Annex B to this instrument, the "notes" (indicated by "**Note:**") are included for the convenience of readers but do not form part of the legislative text.

Citation

G. This instrument may be cited as the Compensation Sourcebook (Deposit Guarantee Schemes Directive Amendments) Instrument 2009.

By order of the Board 28 May 2009

Annex A

Amendments to the Glossary of definitions

In this Annex, underlining indicates new text and striking through indicates deleted text.

Insert the following new definition in the appropriate alphabetical position

<u>non-EEA firm</u> a <u>firm</u> that has its registered office (or, if it has no registered office, its

head office) in a non-EEA state.

Amend the following definition as shown.

working day

(1) (in *PR* and *COMP*) (as defined in section 103 of the *Act*) any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday, Christmas Day, Good Friday or a day which is a bank holiday under the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971 in any part of the *United Kingdom*.

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Annex B

Amendments to the Compensation sourcebook (COMP)

In this Annex underlining indicates new text and striking through indicates deleted text, unless otherwise stated.

Part 1: Changes which come into force on 30 June 2009

<u>Informing the FSCS</u>

2.2.9 G The FSA will inform the FSCS if it detects problems in a firm that is likely to give rise to the intervention of the FSCS.

[Note: article 10(1), part of last sub-paragraph of the *Deposit Guarantee Directive*]

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6.3.1A G The FSA will make the determination in COMP 6.3.1R(2)(a) in relation to a DGD claim as soon as possible and in any event no later than five working days after being satisfied that either of the conditions in COMP 6.3.2R has been met.

[Note: article 1(3)(i) of the *Deposit Guarantee Directive*]

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10.2.3 R Table Limits

This table belongs to COMP 10.2.1R

Type of claim	Level of cover	Maximum payment
Protected deposit	100% of <i>claim</i>	£50,000 or €50,000 whichever is the greater on the date the relevant person is determined to be in default or the date the protected deposit was due and payable, if later. [Note: article 7(1) of the Deposit Guarantee Directive]
		(see also below for building society and other mutual society mergers (COMP 10.2.10R) and protected deposit transfers under the special resolution regime

	(COMP 10.2.11R))

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14.3.1 R Where an *incoming EEA firm* obtains *top-up cover* under *COMP* 14.2, the *FSCS* must <u>co-operate with that *firm's Home State* compensation scheme. In particular, the *FSCS* must seek to establish with that *firm's Home State* compensation scheme appropriate procedures for the payment of compensation to claimants, following the principles set out in Annex II of the *Deposit Guarantee Directive* or Annex II of the *Investor Compensation Directive*, as appropriate.</u>

[Note: article 4(5) of the *Deposit Guarantee Directive*]

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14.4.1 R The FSCS must terminate an *incoming EEA firm's top-up cover* where it is advised by the *firm's Home State regulator* or compensation scheme <u>has ascertained</u> that the conditions in COMP 14.2.1R are no longer satisfied.

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- 14.4.4 R If the *incoming EEA firm* fails to meet its obligations for a period of twelve months following the notice, the *FSCS* may, subject to obtaining the consent of the *incoming EEA firm's Home State regulator*, terminate its *top-up cover*. Notwithstanding the termination of *top-up cover* under this *rule*, cover will continue for:
 - (1) protected deposits which are not repayable on demand without penalty; and
 - (2) *protected investment business* transacted before that termination.

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- 14.4.6 R When an incoming *EEA firm's top-up cover* comes to an end under *COMP* 14.4.1R, *COMP* 14.4.4R or *COMP* 14.4.5R, it must:
 - (1) inform all the clients of its *UK branch* no later than six weeks after the date that its participation ends that they are no longer protected (or, if appropriate, of the more limited protection provided) by the *compensation scheme*, and of the level of compensation which is then available to them; and

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After *COMP* 15 insert the following new chapter. The text is not underlined.

16 Disclosure requirements for firms that accept deposits

16.1 Application and purpose

- 16.1.1 R This chapter applies to:
 - (1) a UK domestic firm that accepts deposits;
 - (2) a non-EEA firm that accepts deposits in the United Kingdom; and
 - (3) an incoming EEA firm that accepts deposits through a UK branch.
- 16.1.2 G The purpose of this chapter is to set out the information about compensation that these *firms* must disclose, and the methods of communication which should be used.

16.2 Informing depositors of limitations to coverage

- 16.2.1 R (1) If a *protected deposit* is not protected by the *compensation scheme*, the *firm* must inform the depositor accordingly.
 - (2) A *firm* must make the information required by (1) available in a readily comprehensible manner.

[**Note:** article 9(1) of the *Deposit Guarantee Directive*]

16.2.2 R When providing the information required by *COMP* 16.2.1R, a *firm* must use the communication channels it normally uses when communicating with its depositors.

Amend the following as shown.

TP 1.1 Transitional provisions table

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	Material to which the transitional provision applies		Transitional Provision	Transitional provision: dates in force	Handbook Provisions coming into force
18	<u>COMP 10.2.3R</u>	<u>R</u>	The change to the limit for <i>protected</i>	From 30 June 2009	30 June 2009

deposits made by	<u>indefinitely</u>	
the Compensation		
Sourcebook		
(Deposit		
Guarantee		
<u>Schemes</u>		
<u>Directive</u>		
Amendments)		
Instrument 2009		
does not apply in		
relation to a <i>claim</i>		
against a relevant		
person that was in		
default before 30		
<u>June 2009.</u>		
	the Compensation Sourcebook (Deposit Guarantee Schemes Directive Amendments) Instrument 2009 does not apply in relation to a claim against a relevant person that was in default before 30	the Compensation Sourcebook (Deposit Guarantee Schemes Directive Amendments) Instrument 2009 does not apply in relation to a claim against a relevant person that was in default before 30

Part 2: Changes which come into force on 1 January 2010

TP 1.1 Transitional provisions table

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	Material to which the transitional provision applies		Transitional Provision	Transitional provision: dates in force	Handbook Provisions coming into force
18 19	Amendments to COMP 10.2.3R introduced by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (Limits Amendment) Instrument 2009	R	Provisions and definitions arising out of (2) only apply to defaults on or occurring after 1 January 2010.	From 1 January 2010 indefinitely	1 January 2010

Part 3: Changes which come into force on 31 December 2010

Systems

2.2.10 R The FSCS must perform regular tests of its systems relating to the payment of compensation with respect to *claims* for *protected deposits*.

[Note: article 10(1), part of last sub-paragraph of the *Deposit Guarantee Directive*]

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- 9.2.1 R The *FSCS* must pay a *claim* as soon as reasonably possible after:
 - (1) it is satisfied that the conditions in COMP 3.2.1R have been met; and
 - (2) it has calculated the amount of compensation due to the claimant; and in any event within:
 - (3) in relation to a *claim* for a *protected deposit*, 20 *working days* of that date unless the *FSA* has granted the *FSCS* an extension, in which case payment must be made no later than 30 *working days* from that date; or

[Note: article 10(1), first and second sub-paragraphs of the *Deposit Guarantee Directive*]

- in relation to any other *claim*, three months of that date, unless the *FSA* has granted the *FSCS* an extension, in which case payment must be made no later than six months from that date.
- 9.2.1A R The time limits in COMP 9.2.1R(3) include the collection and transmission of accurate data on depositors and protected deposits which is necessary for the verification of claims.