Powers exercised by the Financial Ombudsman Service

A. The Financial Ombudsman Service Limited makes and amends the voluntary jurisdiction rules and fixes and varies the standard terms for voluntary jurisdiction participants relating as set out in Annex A to this instrument in the exercise of the following powers and related provisions in the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (“the Act”):

(1) section 227 (Voluntary jurisdiction);
(2) paragraph 18 (Terms of reference to the scheme) of Schedule 17; and
(3) paragraph 22 (Consultation) of Schedule 17.

B. The making and amendment of the voluntary jurisdiction rules and the fixing and variation of the standard terms by the Financial Ombudsman Service Limited, as set out in Annex A, is subject to the approval of the Financial Conduct Authority.

Powers exercised by the Financial Conduct Authority

C. The Financial Conduct Authority makes this instrument in the exercise of the powers and related provisions in or under the following sections of the Act:

(1) section 137A (The FCA’s general rules);
(2) section 137T (General supplementary powers);
(3) section 139A (Power of the FCA to give guidance);
(4) section 226 (Compulsory jurisdiction); and
(5) paragraph 13 (The FCA’s procedural rules) of Schedule 17 (The Ombudsman Scheme).

D. The rule-making powers listed above are specified for the purpose of section 138G (Rule-making instruments) of the Act.

E. The Financial Conduct Authority approves the voluntary jurisdiction rules made and amended and the standard terms fixed and varied by the Financial Ombudsman Service Limited in this instrument.

Commencement

F. This instrument comes into force on 21 March 2016 immediately after the Mortgage Credit Directive (Amendment No 2) Instrument 2015 comes into force.

Amendments to the Handbook

G. The modules of the FCA’s Handbook of rules and guidance listed in column (1) below are amended in accordance with the Annexes to this instrument listed in column (2) below:
Amendments to material outside the Handbook

H. The Perimeter Guidance manual (PERG) is amended in accordance with Annex F to this instrument.

Citation

I. This instrument may be cited as the Mortgage Contracts (Legacy CCA) Instrument 2016.

By order of the Board of the Financial Ombudsman Service Ltd
16 March 2016

By order of the Board of the Financial Conduct Authority
17 March 2016
Annex A

Amendments to the Glossary of definitions

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

Insert the following new definition in the appropriate alphabetical position. This text is not underlined.

legacy CCA mortgage contract

a regulated mortgage contract which:

(a) was entered into before 31 October 2004; and

(b) was a regulated credit agreement immediately before 21 March 2016.

Amend the following definitions as shown.

administering a regulated mortgage contract

the regulated activity, specified in article 61(2) of the Regulated Activities Order, which is in summary: administering a regulated mortgage contract where:

(a) the contract was entered into by way of business on or after 31 October 2004; or

(b) the contract was entered into by way of business before that date and is a legacy CCA mortgage contract.

advising on regulated mortgage contracts

the regulated activity, specified in article 53A of the Regulated Activities Order, which is in summary: advising a person if the advice:

…

(b) is advice on the merits of his:

(i) …

(ii) varying the terms of a regulated mortgage contract entered into by him on or after 31 October 2004, or a legacy CCA mortgage contract entered into by him, in such a way as to vary his obligations under that contract.

arranging (bringing about) regulated mortgage contracts

the regulated activity, specified in article 25A(1) and (2A) of the Regulated Activities Order which is, in summary, making arrangements:

…
(b) for another person to vary the terms of:

(i) a regulated mortgage contract entered into by him as borrower on or after 31 October 2004; or

(ii) a legacy CCA mortgage contract entered into by him as borrower; or

...
Annex B

Amendments to the Prudential sourcebook for Mortgage and Home Finance Firms, and Insurance Intermediates (MIPRU)

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

3 Professional indemnity insurance

3.1 Application and purpose

Application

3.1.1 R This chapter applies to a firm with Part 4A permission to carry on any of the activities:

(1) insurance mediation activity; [deleted]

(1A) Subject to the exceptions in (3) to (8), this chapter applies to a firm with Part 4A permission to carry on any of the following activities:

(a) insurance mediation activity;

(b) home finance mediation activity; and

(c) MCD article 3(1)(b) credit intermediation activity.

(2) home finance mediation activity or MCD article 3(1)(b) credit intermediation activity, as indicated and unless any of the following exemptions apply: [deleted]

(3) In relation to insurance mediation activity, this chapter does not apply to a firm if another authorised person which has net tangible assets of more than £10 million provides a comparable guarantee; for this purpose:

…

(4) In relation to home finance mediation activity, this chapter does not apply to:

(b) …

…

(ii) the comparable guarantee provisions of (3) apply (as if the firm was carrying on insurance mediation activity) but substituting £1 million for £10 million in (3)(a) and (b); or
(c) a firm which carries on home finance mediation activity exclusively for legacy CCA mortgage contracts;

(5) …

(6) in relation to home finance mediation activity, …

(7) in relation to home finance mediation activity, …

(8) in relation to MCD article 3(1)(b) credit intermediation activity, …

…

4 Capital resources

4.1 Application and purpose

…

Application: MCD firms

4.1.13A R This chapter does not apply to a firm which only carries on one or more of the following:

(1) …

(1A) home finance mediation activity exclusively for legacy CCA mortgage contracts; or

(2) …

(3) home finance administration exclusively for second charge regulated mortgage contracts; or

(4) home finance administration exclusively for legacy CCA mortgage contracts.

…

4.3 Calculation of annual income

Annual income

…

4.3.3 R For a firm which carries on insurance mediation activity or home finance mediation activity, annual income is the amount of all brokerage, fees, commissions and other related income (for example, administration charges, overrides, profit shares) due to the firm in respect of or in relation to those activities. But it does not include income generated from carrying on any home finance mediation activity for
(1) second charge regulated mortgage contracts; or
(2) legacy CCA mortgage contracts.

Annual income for home finance administration

4.3.7A R In the calculation of the capital resources of a firm that carries on any home finance administration activity, the annual income does not include annual income from:
(1) second charge regulated mortgage contracts; or
(2) legacy CCA mortgage contracts.
Annex C

Amendments to the Mortgages and Home Finance: Conduct of Business sourcebook (MCOB)

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

1 Application and purpose

1.2 General application: who? what?

... Requirement for evidence before treating a loan as being solely for business purposes, or a customer as a high net worth mortgage customer or a professional customer

... 1.2.9CA G Where the regulated mortgage contract is a legacy CCA mortgage contract, the firm should not treat the customer as a high net worth mortgage customer for the purposes of MCOB unless it is aware from evidence in its possession that the customer satisfied the definition of high net worth mortgage customer at the time the contract was entered into.

... Applicability of MCOB to second charge regulated mortgage contracts entered into before 21 March 2016 which had previously been regulated credit agreements 1.2.20 G From 21 March 2016, where a second charge mortgage contract was entered into before 21 March 2016 (subject to certain exceptions in article 28 of the Mortgage Credit Directive Order 2015) the provisions of MCOB that apply include:

(1) MCOB 7 (disclosure at start of contract and after sale);

(2) MCOB 12 (charges);

(3) MCOB 13 (arrears, payment shortfalls and repossessions: regulated mortgage contracts and home purchase plans).

[deleted]

1.2.21 G (1) By virtue of amendments to articles 60B, 60C and 61 of the Regulated Activities Order which came into force on 21 March 2016, certain regulated credit agreements became regulated mortgage contracts (but see the transitional provisions described in (3) below).
The provisions of MCOB that apply to these regulated mortgage contracts include:

(a) MCOB 7 (Disclosure at start of contract and after sale);

(b) MCOB 12 (Charges); and

(c) MCOB 13 (Arrears, payment shortfalls and repossessions: regulated mortgage contracts and home purchase plans).

(2) Where a regulated mortgage contract is a second charge regulated mortgage contract which was entered into before 21 March 2016, MCOB applies to the contract from 21 March 2016.

(3) Where a regulated mortgage contract is a legacy CCA mortgage contract secured by a first charge legal mortgage, MCOB applies to the contract from the earliest of:

(a) the date on which the lender first acts in compliance or purported compliance with rules in the FCA Handbook which apply to regulated mortgage contracts in respect of the contract;

(b) the date from which the lender notifies the borrower in writing that it will act in compliance with such rules in respect of the contract; and

(c) 21 March 2017.

1.6 Distinguishing regulated mortgage contracts and regulated credit agreements

1.6.1 MCOB applies to regulated mortgage contracts entered into on or after 31 October 2004. For certain categories of regulated mortgage contract, MCOB applies from the dates mentioned in MCOB 1.2.21G. A contract credit agreement secured on land that was entered into before 31 October 2004, and that is subsequently varied on or after that date, will be a regulated mortgage contract but, for example because the borrower is not an individual or a trustee, may be a regulated credit agreement to which the CCA and CONC apply (see CONC 1.2.7G). If, however, a new contract is entered into on or after 31 October 2004, replacing the previous contract, this may be a regulated mortgage contract. PERG 4.4.13G contains guidance on the variation of contracts entered into before 31 October 2004.

12 Charges
Charges under second charge regulated mortgage contracts which had previously been regulated credit agreements

12.1.5A R The rules in MCOB 12.4 (Payment shortfall charges: regulated mortgage contracts) and MCOB 12.5 (Excessive charges: regulated mortgage contracts, home reversion plans and regulated sale and rent back agreements) apply to:

(1) second charge regulated mortgage contracts entered into before 21 March 2016, in relation to charges imposed on a customer for events occurring from that date onwards on or after 21 March 2016; and

(2) regulated mortgage contracts which are legacy CCA mortgage contracts secured by a first charge legal mortgage, in relation to charges imposed on a customer for events occurring on or after the earliest of:

(a) the date on which the lender first acts in compliance or purported compliance with rules in the FCA Handbook which apply to regulated mortgage contracts in respect of the contract;

(b) the date from which the lender notifies the borrower in writing that it will act in compliance with such rules in respect of the contract; and

(c) 21 March 2017.

…

12.3 Early repayment charges: regulated mortgage contracts

…

Early settlement charges on second charge regulated mortgage contracts

12.3.5 G The effect of article 29 of the MCD Order is that various provisions of, or made under, the CCA continue to apply to “consumer credit back book mortgage contracts” (as defined in article 2 of the MCD Order). These include the Consumer Credit (Early Settlement) Regulations 2004, which continue to apply to a second charge regulated mortgage contract entered into before 21 March 2016 and to a legacy CCA mortgage contract.

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After TP 1 (Transitional Provisions) insert the following new transitional provisions. The
TP 5  Transitional Provisions: Regulated mortgage contracts

TP 5 Transitional provisions for regulated mortgage contracts entered into before 31 October 2004

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Annex D

Amendments to the Supervision manual (SUP)

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

12 Appointed representatives

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12.5 Contracts: required terms

Required contract terms for all appointed representatives

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12.5.2 G ...

(2) Under the Appointed Representative Regulations, an appointed representative is treated as representing other counterparties if, broadly, it:

...

(e) 

(iii) ... 

(ii) for a person to vary a home finance transaction entered into by a person as customer (or as plan provider in the case of a home reversion plan) before 31 October 2004 (in the case of a legacy CCA mortgage contract), or on or after 31 October 2004 (in the case of any other regulated mortgage contract) or 6 April 2007 (in all other cases) with other counterparties;

(f) gives advice (within articles 53A, 53B or 53C of the Regulated Activities Order) on the merits of:

(i) ... 

(ii) persons varying home finance transactions entered into by them as customer (or as plan provider in the case of a home reversion plan) before 31 October 2004 (in the case of a legacy CCA mortgage contract), or on or after 31 October 2004 (in the case of any other regulated mortgage contract) or 6 April 2007 (in all other cases) with...
other counterparties;

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16 Reporting requirements

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16.11 Product Sales Data Reporting

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Content of the report

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16.11.5A R A performance data report must contain performance data in respect of
regulated mortgage contracts other than legacy CCA mortgage contracts.

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16.12 Integrated Regulatory Reporting

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Regulated Activity Group 5

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16.12.18B R ...

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Regulated Activity Group 9

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16.12.28A R ...
Note 3 This item does not apply to firms who only carry on home finance mediation activities exclusively in relation to second charge regulated mortgage contracts or legacy CCA mortgage contracts (or both) and who are not otherwise expected to complete it by virtue of carrying out other regulated activities.

16 Annex 18B Notes for Completion of the Retail Mediation Activities Return (‘RMAR’)

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G Section C: Client Money and assets

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Note 3A: this data item does not apply to firms who only carry on home finance mediation activities exclusively in relation to second charge regulated mortgage contracts or legacy CCA mortgage contracts (or both) and who are not otherwise expected to complete it by virtue of carrying out other regulated activities: see SUP 16.12.28AR, Note 3).

... 

G Section D: Capital Resources

... 

(i) Section D1 covers the appropriate capital resources and connected requirements in MIPRU chapter 4 for firms carrying on home finance mediation activity (save for firms carrying on home finance mediation activities exclusively in relation to second charge regulated mortgage contracts or legacy CCA mortgage contracts, or both) and/or insurance mediation activity relating to non-investment insurance contracts (the requirements have to be completed for all applicable categories), or both. ... 

... 

16 Annex 19B Notes for Completion of the Mortgage Lenders & Administrators Return (‘MLAR’)

Introduction: General Notes on the Return
8. Loans made before 31 October 2004

(i) Classifying the ‘back book’

Many loans made before 31 October 2004 became regulated as regulated mortgage contracts on 21 March 2016 or, depending on nature of the loan and the applicable transitional provisions, on a date no later than 21 March 2017; these loans should be treated as regulated mortgage contracts in the MLAR accordingly. Loans made before 31 October 2004 which continue not to be regulated as regulated mortgage contracts fall into the following categories:

(ii) Specific treatment of residential loans to individuals

Any loans made before 31 October 2004, that otherwise satisfy the specific requirements of a regulated mortgage contract have not become regulated as regulated mortgage contracts, should be reported as non-regulated loans in the various parts of the MLAR.

This reporting basis for loans made before 31 October 2004 should continue until such time, if ever, that a subsequent transaction on the loan causes it to be formally treated as a regulated contract.

(iii) Further advances on loans made before 31 October 2004 which have not already become regulated as regulated mortgage contracts

We cannot be prescriptive about whether, after the onset of mortgage regulation, a further advance (or any other variation) to a pre-31 October 2004 mortgage which has not already become regulated as a regulated mortgage contract (see (i) above) will have the effect of creating a new regulated mortgage contract. Our perimeter guidance (at AUTH App 4.4.13G) considers the effect of variations to contracts entered into before the onset of mortgage regulation. Whether a variation amounts to creating a new contract will depend on each lender's individual mortgage documentation. This documentation will differ, possibly significantly, between firms. Each lender will need to review its existing documentation and take a view on the scope that this provides for making changes.

In practice this means that:
• if the lender can make a further advance without creating a new contract (i.e. makes a variation to the existing mortgage contract), then the further advance should be added to the original loan and the combined loan treated as a single loan for MLAR reporting. This combined loan should be reported as ‘non-regulated’

• if making a further advance creates a new contract, (and this further advance is a regulated mortgage contract) then the correct reporting approach will be determined as follows:

(a) where the original loan was made before 31 October 2004, has not in the meantime become a regulated mortgage contract (for example, because it is not a regulated credit agreement) but would otherwise satisfy the specific requirements of a regulated mortgage contract, and the further advance is documented in a new loan agreement separate from the original loan (and is not a variation to the existing mortgage contract), the original loan and further advance may be treated as one for MLAR reporting, being shown as "Regulated" under "Residential loans to individuals";

(b) where the original loan did not satisfy the defined conditions of a regulated mortgage contract at the time it was entered into and has not in the meantime become a regulated mortgage contract, and the further advance is documented in a new loan agreement separate from the original loan (and is not a variation to the existing mortgage contract), the old loan and further advance will be treated as two separate loans for most aspects of MLAR reporting, the former being ‘unregulated’ while the latter will be reported as ‘regulated’. However, for the LTV and Income Multiple analysis, while the firm should only show the amount of the further advance in the relevant “cell”, the “cell” should be determined by using the total amount of the loan (old loan + further advance) when deciding which LTV band and which Income Multiple band are applicable;

(c) where the lender decides to combine the original loan and the further advance to create a single new contract that replaces the existing mortgage contract and is a regulated mortgage contract, this should be reported as ‘regulated’.

…
SECTION L: CREDIT RISK

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this data item is so that a firm can provide an analysis of its credit risk capital requirement as calculated under MIPRU 4.2A, 4.2B and 4.2C. But this section does not apply to a firm which exclusively carries on home finance administration or home finance providing activities (or both) in relation to second charge regulated mortgage contracts or legacy CCA mortgage contracts (or both): see SUP 16.12.18BR, Note 4.

...

SECTION M: LIQUIDITY

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this data item is for a firm to comply with the liquidity resources requirements in MIPRU 4.2D. But this section does not apply to a firm which exclusively carries on home finance administration or home finance providing activities (or both) in relation to second charge regulated mortgage contracts or legacy CCA mortgage contracts (or both): see SUP 16.12.18BR, Note 4.

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16 Annex 20 Products covered by the reporting requirement in SUP 16.11

G ...

SUP 16.11.3R, SUP 16.11.5R and SUP 16.11.5AR require certain firms to report product sales data and, in respect of regulated mortgage contracts other than legacy CCA mortgage contracts, performance data. For reporting purposes, a reportable sale applies (other than in the case of a mortgage transaction) where the contract has been made and the premium has been paid.

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16 Annex 21 Reporting fields

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2 SPECIFIC REPORTING FIELDS

...

(c) Mortgages

The following data reporting fields must be completed, where applicable for all relevant regulated mortgage contracts, except
any second charge regulated mortgage contract that is entered into before 1 April 2017 and any regulated mortgage contract which is a legacy CCA mortgage contract:

…
Annex E

Amendments to the Compensation sourcebook (COMP)

In this Annex, underlining indicates new text.

5 Protected claims

5.6 Protected home finance mediation

…

5.6.3 R This section does not apply in respect of a regulated mortgage contract which is a legacy CCA mortgage contract.
Annex F

Amendments to the Perimeter Guidance manual (PERG)

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

2 Authorisation and regulated activities

...

2.7 Activities: a broad outline

...

Arranging deals in investments and arranging a home finance transaction

2.7.7A G There are ten arranging activities that are regulated activities under the Regulated Activities Order. These are:

...

(3) arranging (bringing about) regulated mortgage contracts, which includes arranging for another person to vary the terms of a regulated mortgage contract entered into by him as borrower after 31 October 2004 or a legacy CCA mortgage contract entered into by him as borrower (article 25A(1) and (2A));

...

Advising on regulated mortgage contracts

2.7.16B G ...

Advice on varying terms as referred to in (2) comes within article 53A only where the borrower entered into the regulated mortgage contract on or after 31 October 2004, or the contract is a legacy CCA mortgage contract, and the variation varies the borrower's obligations under the contract. Further guidance on the scope of the regulated activity under article 53A is in PERG 4.6 (Advising on regulated mortgage contracts).

...

2.8 Exclusions applicable to particular regulated activities

...
Arranging deals in investments and arranging a home finance transaction

2.8.6A G …

(5) Under article 29A, an unauthorised person is excluded from the regulated activity of arranging for another person to vary the terms of a regulated mortgage contract entered into on or after 31 October 2004 or a legacy CCA mortgage contract (article 25A(1)(b)) or a home reversion plan or home purchase plan entered into on or after 6 April 2007 (articles 25B(1)(b) and 25C(1)(b)) or a regulated sale and rent back agreement entered into on or after 1 July 2009 (article 25E(1)(b)). …

…

4 Guidance on regulated activities connected with mortgages

…

4.3 Regulated activities related to mortgages

4.3.1 R There are six regulated mortgage activities requiring authorisation or exemption if they are carried on in the United Kingdom. These are set out in the Regulated Activities Order. They are:

…

(5) administering a regulated mortgage contract where that contract is entered into by way of business on or after 31 October 2004 or the contract was entered into by way of business before that date and is a legacy CCA mortgage contract (article 61(2) (Regulated mortgage contracts)); and

…

4.5 Arranging regulated mortgage contracts

Definition of the regulated activities involving arranging

4.5.1 G Article 25A of the Regulated Activities Order describes two types of regulated activities concerned with arranging regulated mortgage contracts. These are:

(1) making arrangements:

…
(c) for another person to vary the terms of a regulated mortgage contract entered into by him that person as borrower on or after 31 October 2004 or a legacy CCA mortgage contract entered into by that person as borrower in such a way as to vary his that person’s obligations under the contract; and

...

4.6 Advising on regulated mortgage contracts

Definition of ‘advising on regulated mortgage contracts’

4.6.1 G Article 53A of the Regulated Activities Order (Advising on regulated mortgage contracts) makes advising on regulated mortgage contracts a regulated activity. This covers advice which is both:

...

(2) advice on the merits of the borrower:

...

(b) varying the terms of a regulated mortgage contract entered into by the borrower on or after 31 October 2004, or a legacy CCA mortgage contract entered into by the borrower, in such a way as to vary the borrower’s obligations under the contract.

4.6.2 G ...

(1) ...

(2) ...

(3) ...

Although advice on varying the terms of a regulated mortgage contract is not a regulated activity if the contract was entered into before 31 October 2004, unless the contract is a legacy CCA mortgage contract, there may be instances where the variation to the old contract is so fundamental that it amounts to entering into a new regulated mortgage contract (see PERG 4.4.4G). In that case, giving the advice would be a regulated activity.

...

4.8 Administering a regulated mortgage contract

Definition of ‘administering a regulated mortgage contract’

4.8.1 G Article 61(2) of the Regulated Activities Order makes administering a regulated mortgage contract a regulated activity ‘where the contract was
entered into by way of business’ on or after 31 October 2004 or the contract was entered into ‘by way of business’ before that date and is a *legacy CCA mortgage contract*.

4.8.2 G The definition does not include administration of a regulated mortgage contract which was not entered into by way of business. See PERG 4.3.3G for a discussion of the ‘by way of business’ test. The definition also does not include administration of a mortgage which was entered into before 31 October 2004 unless the contract is alegacy CCA mortgage contract. See, however, PERG 4.4.4G for a discussion of how a variation of a mortgage contract entered into before 31 October 2004 could amount to the entry into a new regulated mortgage contract on or after 31 October 2004.

4.17 Interaction with the Consumer Credit Act and consumer credit regulated activities

Entering into and administering a regulated mortgage contract

4.17.3 G Regulated mortgage contracts that were in place at 31 October 2004 and which are subject to the CCA will remain subject to the regime in the CCA and may be regulated credit agreements for the purposes of the credit-related regulated activities in Chapter 14A of Part 2 of the Regulated Activities Order. But there may be instances where a variation of an existing contract amounts to entering into a new regulated mortgage contract (see PERG 4.4.4G and PERG 4.4.13G). [deleted]

7 Periodical publications, news services and broadcasts: applications for certification

7.4 Does the article 54 exclusion apply?

The formats

7.4.2 G But the exclusion applies only if the principal purpose of the publication or service is not:

\[
\text{(2) to lead or enable \textit{persons}:}
\]

(a) \textit{to buy, sell, subscribe for or underwrite securities or relevant investments}; or
(b) to enter as borrower into regulated mortgage contracts, or vary the terms of regulated mortgage contracts entered into by them as borrower on or after 31 October 2004 or the terms of legacy CCA mortgage contracts entered into by them as borrower; or

…

The principal purpose test

7.4.5 G The exclusion applies only if the principal purpose of the publication or service is not:

…

(2) to lead or enable persons to:

(a) to buy, sell, subscribe for or underwrite securities or relevant investments; or

(b) to enter as borrower into regulated mortgage contracts, or vary the terms of regulated mortgage contracts entered into by them as borrower on or after 31 October 2004 or the terms of legacy CCA mortgage contracts entered into by them as borrower; or

…

8 Financial promotion and related activities

…

8.17 Financial promotions concerning agreements for qualifying credit

…

Controlled activities

…

8.17.6 G Arranging qualifying credit is a controlled activity under paragraph 10A of Schedule 1 to the Financial Promotion Order; that is, making arrangements:

…

(2) for a borrower under a regulated mortgage contract entered into on or after 31 October 2004 or a borrower under a legacy CCA mortgage contract to vary the terms of that contract in such a way as
to vary his that person’s obligations under that contract.

... 8.17.7 G Advising on qualifying credit is a controlled activity under paragraph 10B of Schedule 1 to the Financial Promotion Order; that is, advising a person if the advice is:

...

(2) advice on the merits of his that person doing any of the following:

...

(b) varying the terms of a regulated mortgage contract entered into by him that person on or after 31 October 2004 or the terms of a legacy CCA mortgage contract entered into by that person in such a way as to vary his that person’s obligations under that contract.

...