# **GENERAL PROVISIONS (INTERPRETATION) INSTRUMENT 2024**

## Powers exercised

- A. The Financial Conduct Authority ("the FCA") makes this instrument in the exercise of the following powers and related provisions:
  - (1) section 137T (General supplementary powers) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 ("the Act"); and
  - (2) the rule and guidance making powers listed in Schedule 4 (Powers exercised) to the General Provisions of the Handbook.
- B. The rule-making powers listed above are specified for the purpose of section 138G(2) (Rule-making instruments) of the Act.

#### Commencement

C. This instrument comes into force on 1 March 2024.

## **Amendments to the Handbook**

D. The General Provisions sourcebook (GEN) is amended in accordance with the Annex to this instrument.

## Citation

E. This instrument may be cited as the General Provisions (Interpretation) Instrument 2024.

By order of the Board 29 February 2024

#### Annex

## **Amendments to the General Provisions (GEN)**

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

2 **Interpreting the Handbook** . . . 2.2 **Interpreting the Handbook** Application of the Interpretation Act 1978 . . . 2.2.12 G The application of the Interpretation Act 1978 to the *Handbook* has the effect, in particular, that: . . . (2) where reference is made in the *Handbook* to an enactment, it is a reference to that enactment as amended (but see also GEN 2.2.13R), and includes a reference to that provision as extended or applied by or under any other enactment, unless the contrary intention appears; and Cross-references in the Handbook 2.2.13 R (1) A reference in the *Handbook* to another provision in the *Handbook* is a reference to that provision as amended from time to time. (2) Unless a contrary intention appears: a reference in the *Handbook* to a provision in the PRA (a) Rulebook is a reference to that provision as amended from time to time.; (b) a reference in a *Handbook* rule (other than a rule made by FOS Ltd) to an enactment is a reference to that enactment as amended from time to time;

(c)

for the purposes of *Handbook* rules (other than rules made by

FOS Ltd), any reference to an enactment in the Glossary is to

be construed as a reference to that enactment as amended from time to time.