HANDBOOK ADMINISTRATION (NO 39) INSTRUMENT 2015

Powers exercised

- A. The Financial Conduct Authority makes this instrument in the exercise of the 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 138G(2) (Rule-making instruments) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000.

Commencement

- C. This instrument comes into force on 1 November 2015 except as provided below:
 - (1) Part 1 of Annex H (MCOB) comes into force on 23 October 2015;
 - (2) Part 2 of Annex A (Glossary), Annex B (APER), Annex C (COCON), Part 2 of Annex I (CASS) and Part 2 of Annex J (SUP) come into force on 7 March 2016;
 - (3) Annex F (MIPRU) and Part 3 of Annex H (MCOB) come into force on 21 March 2016; and
 - (4) Annex K (CONC) comes into force on 1 April 2016.

Amendments to the Handbook

D. The modules of the Handbook of rules and guidance listed in column (1) below are amended in accordance with the Annexes to this instrument listed in column (2).

(1)	(2)
Glossary of definitions	Annex A
Statements of Principle and Code of Conduct for Approved Persons (APER)	Annex B
Code of Conduct sourcebook (COCON)	Annex C
Fees manual (FEES	Annex D
Prudential sourcebook for Banks, Building Societies and Investment Firms (BIPRU)	Annex E
Prudential sourcebook for Mortgage and Home Finance Firms, and Insurance Intermediaries (MIPRU)	Annex F
Conduct of Business sourcebook (COBS)	Annex G
Mortgages and Home Finance: Conduct of Business sourcebook (MCOB)	Annex H
Client Assets sourcebook (CASS)	Annex I
Supervision manual (SUP)	Annex J
Consumer Credit sourcebook (CONC)	Annex K
Listing Rules sourcebook (LR)	Annex L

Amendments to material outside the Handbook

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

Citation

F. This instrument may be cited as the Handbook Administration (No 39) Instrument 2015.

By order of the Board 22 October 2015

Annex A

Amendments to the Glossary of definitions

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

Part 1: Comes into force on 1 November 2015

actuarial function (in the PRA Handbook) PRA controlled function CF12 in the

table of PRA controlled functions, described more fully in SUP

4.3.13R and *SUP* 10B.8.1R. [deleted]

Handbook the FCA Handbook or the PRA Handbook as appropriate.

IFPRU 730k firm has the meaning in *IFPRU* 1.1.11R (Types of investment firm:

IFPRU 730k firm) which in summary is an *IFPRU investment* firm that is not a *collective portfolio management investment* firm, a *BIPRU IFPRU 50k firm* or a *BIPRU IFPRU 125k firm*.

Immigration Regulations the Immigration Act 2014 (Bank Account) Regulations 2014

(SI 2014/3085).

Lloyd's actuary function (in the PRA Handbook) PRA controlled functions CF12B in the

table of controlled functions, described more fully in SUP

10B.8.3R. [deleted]

Part 2: Comes into force on 7 March 2016

accountable higher management function

(in APER) any accountable function that is:

(1) an FCA controlled function that is a significant influence

(a) significant-influence function; or

(2) a PRA controlled function.

<u>(b)</u>

senior conduct rules staff member (in *COCON*) a person who is:

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(c) an approved person performing a significant influence significant-influence function (including a PRA controlled function) in a Solvency II firm.

Annex B

Amendments to the Statements of Principle and Code of Practice for Approved Persons (APER)

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Comes into force on 7 March 2016

4.1	Stat	ement of Principle 1
4.1.2	<u>E</u> <u>G</u>	In the opinion of the FCA, conduct of the type described in does not comply with Statement of Principle 1.
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4.1.8	R <u>G</u>	Deliberately preparing inaccurate or inappropriate records or returns in connection with an <i>accountable function</i> , falls within <i>APER</i> 4.1.2G.
4.5	Stat	ement of Principle 5
4.5.7	G	Behaviour of the type referred to in APER 4.5.4G <u>4.5.4G</u> includes
4.5.9	G	Behaviour of the type referred to in <i>APER</i> 4.5.4G <u>4.5.8G</u> includes
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4.6	Stat	ement of Principle 6
4.6.1A	G	The Statement of Principle 6 (see APER 2.1A.3R) is in the following terms: "An approved person performing an accountable higher management function must exercise due skill, care and diligence in managing the business of the firm for which they are responsible in his their accountable function."
4.7	Stat	ement of Principle 7

- In the opinion of the *FCA*, conduct of the type described in ... does not comply with *Statement of Principle* 7. 4.7.2 E
 - <u>G</u>

Annex C

Amendments to the Code of Conduct sourcebook (COCON)

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Comes into force on 7 March 2016

1.1	App	plicatio	on	
1.1.10	R	COC	CON onl	y applies to the conduct if that conduct:
		(1)	is per	formed by:
			(b)	the <i>firm</i> in relation to whom that <i>person</i> carries out <i>controlled functions</i> ; or

Annex D

Amendments to the Fees manual (FEES)

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FCA Fee rates and EEA/Treaty firm modifications for the period from 1
April 2015 to 31 March 2016

This table shows the tariff rates applicable to each of the fee blocks set out in Part 1 of FEES 4 Annex 1AR.

(3) For a firm which has not complied with FEES 4.2.2G 4.4.2R (Information on which fees are calculated) for this period:

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Annex E

Amendments to the Prudential sourcebook for Banks, Building Societies and Investment Firms (BIPRU)

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

8.4 CAD Article 22 groups and investment firm consolidation waiver The effect of an investment firm consolidation waiver and the conditions for getting one 8.4.2 G A BIPRU investment firm may apply for a waiver of the requirement in this chapter to apply capital requirements on a consolidated basis. Such a waiver is called an investment firm consolidation waiver. 8.4.4 G The FCA will not grant an investment firm consolidation waiver unless: the FCA is satisfied that each BIPRU firm in the UK consolidation (2) group or non-EEA sub-group will be able to meet its capital requirements using the calculation of capital resources in GENPRU 2 Annex 6R (Capital resources table for a BIPRU investment firm with a waiver from consolidated supervision); and . . . Definition of a CAD Article 22 group 8.4.9 R . . . (2) There must be no bank, building society, or credit institution or investment firm in the UK consolidation group or non-EEA subgroup and any investment firm in the UK consolidation group or non-EEA sub-group must not be subject to consolidated supervision under the EU CRR. . . .

resources

Capital adequacy obligations relating to a CAD Article 22 group: Capital

- 8.4.12 R A *firm* must calculate the capital resources of the *parent financial holding* company in a Member State for the purpose of BIPRU 8.4.11R as follows:
 - (1) the capital resources are the sum of *capital resources* calculated at stages D (Total tier one capital before deductions) and I (Total tier two capital) of the version of the *capital resources table* in *GENPRU* 2 Annex 4R (Capital resources table for a BIPRU investment firm deducting material holdings) as adjusted in accordance with this *rule*;

. . .

Capital adequacy obligations relating to a CAD Article 22 group: Capital resources requirement

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8.4.14 R A *firm* must exclude *material holdings* in the notional calculation of the *credit risk capital requirement* for the purposes of *BIPRU* 8.4.13R. A *firm* must identify whether it has any *material holdings* and the amount of them in accordance with *GENPRU* 2.2 (Capital resources) and *GENPRU* 2 Annex 4R (Capital resources table for a BIPRU investment firm deducting material holdings).

Annex F

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

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

Comes into force on 21 March 2016

1.3 Remuneration and property valuation requirements for MCD creditors

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Property valuation requirements

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- 1.3.3 G For the purposes of *MIPRU* 1.3.2R:
 - (1) reliable standards for the valuation of residential immovable property include internationally recognised valuation standards, in particular those developed by the International Valuation Standards Committee Council (IVSC), ...

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Annex G

Amendments to the Conduct of Business sourcebook (COBS)

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

Restrictions on <u>the</u> distribution of contingent convertible <u>certain regulatory</u> <u>capital</u> instruments

Annex H

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.

Part 1: Comes into force on 23 October 2015

TP1.1 Transitional provisions

(1)	(2) Material to which the transitional provision applies	(3)	(4) Transitional provisions	(5) Transitional provision: dates in force	(6) Handbook provision: coming into force
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42	MCOB (all)	R	A second charge lender who elects, for any particular agreement or proposed agreement, under Where article 31(2) of the Mortgage Credit Directive Order 2015 to comply with the provisions of MCOB that will apply to that firm's activities from 21 March 2016 applies, a relevant firm: (1) must comply with all the provisions of MCOB that will apply to that firm in respect of the agreement from 21 March 2016;	21 September 2015 to 20 March 2016	21 September 2015 to 20 March 2016
			 (2) except as provided in (3), need not comply with the provisions of CONC or MCOB that would otherwise apply in respect of the agreement; (3) a second charge lender with interior provided in the complex control of the control of the complex control of the control of the		
			with interim permission must, if the firm has interim permission,		

			continue to comply with the other provisions of the FCA Handbook as modified by CONC 12. In this rule, a "relevant firm" means a second charge lender and a firm carrying on a regulated activity of a kind specified in article 36A(1)(a) to (c) of the Regulated Activities Order (disregarding the effect of paragraph (2) of that article).	
43				
44	MCOB TP 42	G	Article 31 of the Mortgage Credit Directive Order 2015 applies to agreements which, if entered into before 21 March 2016, would be a regulated credit agreement but which, if entered after 20 March 2016, would be a regulated mortgage contract, where neither the lender nor any credit broker has complied with CCA requirements in respect of the agreement and both the lender and any credit broker comply with MCOB (as it will apply from 21 March 2016). The effect of article 31(2) is that the agreement is treated as a regulated mortgage contract rather than as a regulated credit agreement. MCOB TP 42 allows a second charge lender and a credit broker to comply, before 21 March 2016, with MCOB early as it will apply from that date without at the same time needing to comply with CONC or with pre-21 March 2016 provisions of MCOB, provided that the second charge lender complies with all provisions of MCOB that will apply in respect of the	

agreement for which the second charge lender has made the election under article 31 of the Mortgage Credit Directive Order 2015.	

Part 2: Comes into force on 1 November 2015

2.6A Protecting customer's interests: regulated mortgage contracts, home purchase plans, home reversion plans and regulated sale and rent back agreements

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Protecting customer's interests: regulated mortgage contracts, home purchase plans, home reversion plans and regulated sale and rent back agreements

2.6A.1 R ...

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Part 3: Comes into force on 21 March 2016

5A MCD Pre-application disclosure

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5A Annex 2R Instructions to complete the ESIS

6	Sect	ion '4.	Interest rate' and other costs
6.6	R		
		(6)	The <i>firm</i> must accompany the warning required by (5) with by an additional illustrative <i>APRC</i> calculated in accordance with <i>MCOB</i> 10A.1.4R 10A.1.5R.

Annex I

Amendments to the Client Assets sourcebook (CASS)

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

Part 1:	Comes into force on 1 November 2015				
6	Custody rules				
6.1	Appl	lication			
	Deliv	very versus payment transaction exemption			
6.1.12	R				
		(4) Where a <i>firm</i> intends to segregate <i>money</i> as <i>client money</i> instead of the <i>client's safe custody</i> asset under (3) it must, before doing so, ensure that this would result in <i>money</i> being held for the relevant <i>client</i> in respect of the <i>shortfall</i> under <i>CASS</i> 7.12.2R (statutory trust).			
6.6	Reco	ords, accounts and reconciliations			
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	Notif	fication requirements			
6.6.57	R	A <i>firm</i> must inform the <i>FCA</i> in writing without delay if:			
		(5) it will be unable, or materially fails, to conduct a <i>physical asset</i> reconciliation in compliance with CASS 6.6.2R 6.6.22R to CASS 6.6.30R; or			
7.11	Trea	tment of client money			
	Discl	harge of fiduciary duty			
7.11.34	R	Money ceases to be client money (having regard to CASS 7.11.40R where			

applicable) if: subject to CASS 7.11.38R 7.11.39R, it is paid into a bank account of (3) the client (not being an account which is also in the name of the firm); or 7.19 Clearing member client money sub-pools 7.19.1 G Under CASS 7.7.2R(2) 7.17.2R(2), a firm, acts as trustee for all (1) client money received or held by it for the benefit of the clients for whom that *client money* is held, according to their respective interests in it. Segregation and operation of sub-pools 7.19.12 R Where a *firm* establishes one or more *sub-pools*, *CASS* 7.4 7.13 (Segregation of client money) shall is to be read as applying separately to the firm's general pool and each sub-pool. . . . **7A Client money distribution** 7A.1 **Application and purpose** 7A.1.1A R The client money distribution rules do not apply to any client money held by a trustee firm under CASS 7.1.15FR 7.10.34R to CASS 7.1.15LG 7.10.40G. 7A.2 **Primary pooling events** ... Client money received after the failure of the firm

If a firm opens a client bank account after a primary pooling event, it must

7A.2.7A

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comply with CASS 7.8.14R 7.18.15R regarding acknowledgement letters.

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10 CASS resolution pack

10.1 Application, purpose and general provisions

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10.1.9 E (1) For the purpose of *CASS* 10.1.7R, the following documents and records should be retrievable immediately:

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(g) the most recent *external client money reconciliations* referred to in *CASS* 10.3.1R(9) 10.3.1R(7A).

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10.3 Existing records forming part of the CASS resolution pack

10.3.1 R A *firm* must include, as applicable, within its *CASS resolution pack* the records required under:

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(5) CASS 6.6.34R (External custody reconciliations); [deleted]

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(11) ... <u>; .</u>

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Schedule 2 Notification requirements

Sch 2.1G

Handbook reference	Matter to be notified	Contents of notification	Trigger event	Time allowed
CASS 5.5.84R 5.5.61R	Failure of bank, broker or settlement agent	Full details including whether it intends to make good any shortfall that may have arisen in the amounts involved	As soon as the firm becomes aware	Immediately
CASS 5.5.84R	Inability to perform the calculation required by CASS	Inability to perform	Inability to perform the	Immediately

<u>5.5.76R</u>	5.5.84R 5.5.63R(1)	the calculation	calculation	
CASS 5.5.84R 5.5.77R	Inability to make good any shortfall identified by CASS 5.5.84R 5.5.63R(1)	Inability to make good any shortfall in client money	Inability to make good any shortfall	Immediately
CASS 5.5.84R	Inability to comply with the requirements in CASS 5.5.84R; CASS 5.5.84R; CASS 5.5.84R; CASS 5.5.84R; CASS 5.5.84R;	Inability to comply with the requirements of the rules listed	Inability to comply with the requirements of the rules listed	As soon as reasonably practicable

Part 2: Comes into force on 7 March 2016

1A.3 Responsibility for CASS operational oversight

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1A.3.1B G (1) (a) ... The table of FCA controlled functions in SUP 10A.4.4R together with SUP 10A.7.9R specify the CASS operational oversight function as a required an FCA required function for a firm to which CASS 1A.3.1AR applies.

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Annex J

Amendments to the Supervision manual (SUP)

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Part 1: Comes into force on 1 November 2015

10A Annex 9 Form G: The Retail Investment Adviser Complaints Alerts Form

The Retail Investment Adviser Complaints Alerts Form G approved by the $FSA \underline{FCA}$ for notifications under $SUP \underline{10.13.20AR} \underline{10A.14.24R}$ may be found at the FCA's website

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15.3 General notification requirements

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- 15.3.8 G Compliance with *Principle* 11 includes, but is not limited to, giving the *appropriate regulator* notice of:
 - (1) any proposed restructuring, reorganisation or business expansion which could have a significant impact on the *firm's* risk profile or resources, including, but not limited to:

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(e) entering into, or significantly changing, a *material* outsourcing arrangement (a bank, a building society and a dormant account fund operator should also see SYSC 3.2.4G and SYSC 8, and an insurer should also see SYSC 13.9 for further details); or

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16.12 Integrated Regulatory Reporting

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16.12.12 R The applicable reporting frequencies for *data items* referred to in *SUP*16.12.4R are set out in the table below according to *firm* type. Reporting frequencies are calculated from a *firm's accounting reference date*, unless indicated otherwise.

Data item	IFPRU 730k firm	IFPRU 125k firm and collective portfolio management firm	IFPRU 50k firm	BIPRU firm	UK consolidation group or defined liquidity group	Firm other than BIPRU firms or IFPRU investment firms
FSA055	Annually (Note	5)		Annually (Note 5)	Annually (Note 5)	

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16 Annex Guidance notes for the data item in SUP 16 Annex 29R 29AG

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Section 7 Safe custody assets records checks and reconciliations

26 Safe custody assets unresolved items

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CASS 6.6.48G provides that a discrepancy should not be considered to be resolved until it is fully investigated and corrected, and any associated shortfall is made good.

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Part 2: Comes into force on 7 March 2016

10A FCA Approved Persons

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10A.4 Specification of functions

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10A.4.4 R FCA controlled functions

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Part 2 (FCA controlled functions for PRA-authorised persons)
(see Note 1)

Туре	CF	Description of FCA controlled function
FCA governing functions*		
	5	Director of an unincorporated association <u>function</u> (see Note 2)

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10A.11 Minimising overlap with the PRA approved persons regime

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10A.11.8 G ...

(3) The FCA functions disapplied in accordance with the <u>FCA</u> governing functions overlap rule for Solvency II firms ...

Annex K

Amendments to the Consumer Credit sourcebook (CONC)

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TP 7	Transitional provisions in relation to the Consumer Credit (Amendment No 2) Instrument 2015
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TP 7 TP 8	Other transitional provisions

Annex L

Amendments to the Listing Rules sourcebook (LR)

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9.7A Preliminary statement of annual results, and statement of dividends and half-yearly reports

Annex M

Amendments to the Perimeter Guidance manual (PERG)

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1.5 What other guidance about the perimeter is available from the FCA?

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1.5.3 G In addition, the *FCA* has established a team to provide general assistance and guidance to persons generally about the scope of the *Act*. Enquiries of this kind may be made:

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(2) by individuals or non-authorised firms, to the Consumer Contact Centre (email ccc@fca.org.uk, Tel 0800 111 6768). or the Perimeter Enquiries Team (email authorisationenquiries@fca.org.uk)

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15 Ann 1 Flowchart 4 – Payment institutions established in the UK – do PSD regulations apply to us?

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I. You may apply for registration as a small payment institution. You may apply for authorisation as an authorised payment institution instead, e.g. if you wish to acquire passport rights. For transitional arrangements, see Annex 1 Flowchart 2.

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