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Administration and enforcement of Parts 3, 4, and 5

# PART 3

## Administrative sanctions and offences

Administrative sanctions

## **Interpretation of Part 3**

- **9.**—(1) In this Part, "regulator" means the FCA or the PRA.
- (2) In paragraphs 10 and 11, "appropriate regulator" means—
  - (a) in relation to a contravention of a requirement imposed by the PRA on a PRA-authorised person under Part 5 of these Regulations, the PRA; and
  - (b) in relation to any other contravention of these Regulations or of Article 28 of the markets in financial instruments regulation, the FCA.

#### **Public censure**

- **10.** If the appropriate regulator considers that—
  - (a) a person ("P") has contravened a requirement imposed by or under these Regulations or by Article 28 of the markets in financial instruments regulation,
  - (b) a member of the management body of P is responsible for the contravention by P of a requirement imposed by or under these Regulations or by Article 28 of that regulation, or
  - (c) another member of the senior management of P is responsible for the contravention by P of a requirement imposed by or under these Regulations or by Article 28 of that regulation,

the appropriate regulator may publish a statement to that effect.

## Financial penalties

- 11.—(1) If the appropriate regulator considers that a person ("P") has contravened a requirement imposed by or under these Regulations or by Article 28 of the markets in financial instruments regulation, it may impose a penalty of such amount as it considers appropriate on—
  - (a) P;
  - (b) a member of the management body of P if the appropriate regulator considers the person is responsible for the contravention;
  - (c) another member of the senior management of P if the appropriate regulator considers the person is responsible for the contravention.
- (2) A penalty imposed under this paragraph is payable to the regulator that imposed the penalty and may be recovered as a debt owed to that regulator.

### Warning notice

- **12.**—(1) If a regulator proposes to—
  - (a) publish a statement in respect of a person under paragraph 10; or

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- (b) impose a penalty on a person under paragraph 11, it must give the person a warning notice.
- (2) A warning notice about a proposal to publish a statement must set out the terms of the statement.
  - (3) A warning notice about a proposal to impose a penalty must state the amount of the penalty.

#### **Decision notice**

- **13.**—(1) If, having considered any representations made in response to the warning notice, a regulator decides to—
  - (a) publish a statement under paragraph 10 (whether or not in the terms proposed); or
- (b) impose a penalty under paragraph 11 (whether or not of the amount proposed), it must without delay give the person concerned a decision notice.
  - (2) In the case of a statement, the decision notice must set out the terms of the statement.
  - (3) In the case of a penalty, the decision notice must state the amount of the penalty.
  - (4) If a regulator decides to—
    - (a) publish a statement in respect of a person under paragraph 10; or
- (b) impose a penalty on a person under paragraph 11, the person may refer the matter to the Tribunal.
- (5) After a statement under paragraph 10 is published, the regulator concerned must send a copy of it to the person concerned and to any person to whom a copy of the decision notice was given under section 393(4) of the Act MI (third party rights) (as applied by paragraph 22).

## **Marginal Citations**

M1 Section 393(4) was amended by paragraph 32 of Schedule 9 to the Financial Services Act 2012.

#### Statements of policy

- 14.—(1) Each regulator must prepare and issue a statement of policy with respect to—
  - (a) the imposition of penalties under paragraph 11; and
  - (b) the amount of penalties under that paragraph.
- (2) A regulator's policy in determining what the amount of a penalty should be must include having regard to—
  - (a) the seriousness of the contravention in question in relation to the nature of the requirement contravened;
  - (b) the extent to which that contravention was deliberate or reckless; and
  - (c) whether the person against whom action is to be taken is an individual.
  - (3) A regulator may at any time alter or replace a statement issued by it under this paragraph.
- (4) If a statement issued under this paragraph is altered or replaced by a regulator, the regulator must issue the altered or replacement statement.
- (5) A regulator must, without delay, give the Treasury a copy of any statement which it issues under this paragraph.

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- (6) A statement issued under this paragraph by a regulator must be published by the regulator in the way appearing to the regulator to be best calculated to bring it to the attention of the public.
  - (7) The regulator may charge a reasonable fee for providing a person with a copy of the statement.
- (8) In exercising, or deciding whether to exercise, its power under paragraph 11 in the case of any particular contravention, a regulator must have regard to any statement of policy published by it under this paragraph and in force at the time when the contravention in question occurred.

### Statements of policy: procedure

- **15.**—(1) Before a regulator issues a statement under paragraph 14, the regulator must publish a draft of the proposed statement in the way appearing to the regulator to be best calculated to bring it to the attention of the public.
- (2) The draft must be accompanied by a notice that representations about the proposal may be made to the regulator within a specified time.
- (3) Before issuing the proposed statement the regulator must have regard to any representations made to it in accordance with sub-paragraph (2).
- (4) If the regulator issues the proposed statement it must publish an account, in general terms, of—
  - (a) the representations made to in accordance with sub-paragraph (2); and
  - (b) its response to them.
- (5) If the statement differs from the draft published under sub-paragraph (1) in a way which is, in the opinion of the regulator, significant, the regulator must (in addition to complying with sub-paragraph (4)) publish details of the difference.
- (6) A regulator may charge a reasonable fee for providing a person with a copy of a draft published by it under sub-paragraph (1).
  - (7) This paragraph also applies to a proposal to alter or replace a statement.

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