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Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms and amending Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 (Text with EEA relevance)

[<sup>X1</sup>PART TWO

[<sup>F1</sup>OWN FUNDS AND ELIGIBLE LIABILITIES]

TITLE I

**ELEMENTS OF OWN FUNDS**

CHAPTER 1

**Tier 1 capital**

*Article 25*

**Tier 1 capital**

The Tier 1 capital of an institution consists of the sum of the Common Equity Tier 1 capital and Additional Tier 1 capital of the institution.

CHAPTER 2

**Common Equity Tier 1 capital**

Section 1

**Common Equity Tier 1 items and instruments**

*Article 26*

**Common Equity Tier 1 items**

- 1 Common Equity Tier 1 items of institutions consist of the following:
  - a capital instruments, provided that the conditions laid down in Article 28 or, where applicable, Article 29 are met;
  - b share premium accounts related to the instruments referred to in point (a);
  - c retained earnings;
  - d accumulated other comprehensive income;
  - e other reserves;
  - f funds for general banking risk.

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The items referred to in points (c) to (f) shall be recognised as Common Equity Tier 1 only where they are available to the institution for unrestricted and immediate use to cover risks or losses as soon as these occur.

2 For the purposes of point (c) of paragraph 1, institutions may include interim or year-end profits in Common Equity Tier 1 capital before the institution has taken a formal decision confirming the final profit or loss of the institution for the year only with the prior permission of the competent authority. The competent authority shall grant permission where the following conditions are met:

- a those profits have been verified by persons independent of the institution that are responsible for the auditing of the accounts of that institution;
- b the institution has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the competent authority that any foreseeable charge or dividend has been deducted from the amount of those profits.

A verification of the interim or year-end profits of the institution shall provide an adequate level of assurance that those profits have been evaluated in accordance with the principles set out in the applicable accounting framework.

[<sup>F13</sup> Competent authorities shall evaluate whether issuances of capital instruments meet the criteria set out in Article 28 or, where applicable, Article 29. Institutions shall classify issuances of capital instruments as Common Equity Tier 1 instruments only after permission is granted by the competent authorities.

By way of derogation from the first subparagraph, institutions may classify as Common Equity Tier 1 instruments subsequent issuances of a form of Common Equity Tier 1 instruments for which they have already received that permission, provided that both of the following conditions are met:

- a the provisions governing those subsequent issuances are substantially the same as the provisions governing those issuances for which the institutions have already received permission;
- b institutions have notified those subsequent issuances to the competent authorities sufficiently in advance of their classification as Common Equity Tier 1 instruments.

Competent authorities shall consult EBA before granting permission for new forms of capital instruments to be classified as Common Equity Tier 1 instruments. Competent authorities shall have due regard to EBA's opinion and, where they decide to deviate from it, shall write to EBA within three months from the date of receipt of EBA's opinion setting out the rationale for deviating from the relevant opinion. This subparagraph does not apply to the capital instruments referred to in Article 31.

On the basis of information collected from competent authorities, EBA shall establish, maintain and publish a list of all forms of capital instruments in each Member State that qualify as Common Equity Tier 1 instruments. In accordance with Article 35 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010, EBA may collect any information in connection with Common Equity Tier 1 instruments that it considers necessary to establish compliance with the criteria set out in Article 28 or, where applicable, Article 29 of this Regulation and for the purpose of maintaining and updating the list referred to in this subparagraph.

Following the review process set out in Article 80 and where there is sufficient evidence that the relevant capital instruments do not meet or have ceased to meet the criteria set out in Article 28 or, where applicable, Article 29, EBA may decide not to add those instruments to the list referred to in the fourth subparagraph or remove them from that list, as the case may be. EBA shall make an announcement to that effect that shall also

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refer to the relevant competent authority's position on the matter. This subparagraph does not apply to the capital instruments referred to in Article 31.]

4 EBA shall develop draft regulatory technical standards to specify the meaning of foreseeable when determining whether any foreseeable charge or dividend has been deducted.

EBA shall submit those draft regulatory technical standards to the Commission by 28 July 2013.

Power is delegated to the Commission to adopt the regulatory technical standards referred to in the first subparagraph in accordance with Articles 10 to 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010.

#### Article 27

##### **Capital instruments of mutuals, cooperative societies, savings institutions or similar institutions in Common Equity Tier 1 items**

1 Common Equity Tier 1 items shall include any capital instrument issued by an institution under its statutory terms provided that the following conditions are met:

- a the institution is of a type that is defined under applicable national law and which competent authorities consider to qualify as any of the following:
  - (i) a mutual;
  - (ii) a cooperative society;
  - (iii) a savings institution;
  - (iv) a similar institution;
  - (v) a credit institution which is wholly owned by one of the institutions referred to in points (i) to (iv) and has approval from the relevant competent authority to make use of the provisions in this Article, provided that, and for as long as, 100 % of the ordinary shares in issue in the credit institution are held directly or indirectly by an institution referred to in those points;
- b the conditions laid down in Articles 28 or, where applicable, Article 29, are met.

Those mutuals, cooperative societies or savings institutions recognised as such under applicable national law prior to 31 December 2012 shall continue to be classified as such for the purposes of this Part, provided that they continue to meet the criteria that determined such recognition.

2 EBA shall develop draft regulatory technical standards to specify the conditions according to which competent authorities may determine that a type of undertaking recognised under applicable national law qualifies as a mutual, cooperative society, savings institution or similar institution for the purposes of this Part.

EBA shall submit those draft regulatory technical standards to the Commission by 28 July 2013.

Power is delegated to the Commission to adopt the regulatory technical standards referred to in the first subparagraph in accordance with Articles 10 to 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010.

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## Article 28

### Common Equity Tier 1 instruments

1 Capital instruments shall qualify as Common Equity Tier 1 instruments only if all the following conditions are met:

a the instruments are issued directly by the institution with the prior approval of the owners of the institution or, where permitted under applicable national law, the management body of the institution;

[<sup>F1</sup>b the instruments are fully paid up and the acquisition of ownership of those instruments is not funded directly or indirectly by the institution;]

c the instruments meet all the following conditions as regards their classification:

(i) they qualify as capital within the meaning of Article 22 of Directive 86/635/EEC;

(ii) they are classified as equity within the meaning of the applicable accounting framework;

(iii) they are classified as equity capital for the purposes of determining balance sheet insolvency, where applicable under national insolvency law;

d the instruments are clearly and separately disclosed on the balance sheet in the financial statements of the institution;

e the instruments are perpetual;

f the principal amount of the instruments may not be reduced or repaid, except in either of the following cases:

(i) the liquidation of the institution;

(ii) discretionary repurchases of the instruments or other discretionary means of reducing capital, where the institution has received the prior permission of the competent authority in accordance with Article 77;

g the provisions governing the instruments do not indicate expressly or implicitly that the principal amount of the instruments would or might be reduced or repaid other than in the liquidation of the institution, and the institution does not otherwise provide such an indication prior to or at issuance of the instruments, except in the case of instruments referred to in Article 27 where the refusal by the institution to redeem such instruments is prohibited under applicable national law;

h the instruments meet the following conditions as regards distributions:

(i) there is no preferential distribution treatment regarding the order of distribution payments, including in relation to other Common Equity Tier 1 instruments, and the terms governing the instruments do not provide preferential rights to payment of distributions;

(ii) distributions to holders of the instruments may be paid only out of distributable items;

(iii) the conditions governing the instruments do not include a cap or other restriction on the maximum level of distributions, except in the case of the instruments referred to in Article 27;

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- (iv) the level of distributions is not determined on the basis of the amount for which the instruments were purchased at issuance, except in the case of the instruments referred to in Article 27;
- (v) the conditions governing the instruments do not include any obligation for the institution to make distributions to their holders and the institution is not otherwise subject to such an obligation;
- (vi) non-payment of distributions does not constitute an event of default of the institution;
- (vii) the cancellation of distributions imposes no restrictions on the institution;
- i compared to all the capital instruments issued by the institution, the instruments absorb the first and proportionately greatest share of losses as they occur, and each instrument absorbs losses to the same degree as all other Common Equity Tier 1 instruments;
- j the instruments rank below all other claims in the event of insolvency or liquidation of the institution;
- k the instruments entitle their owners to a claim on the residual assets of the institution, which, in the event of its liquidation and after the payment of all senior claims, is proportionate to the amount of such instruments issued and is not fixed or subject to a cap, except in the case of the capital instruments referred to in Article 27;
- l the instruments are neither secured nor subject to a guarantee that enhances the seniority of the claim by any of the following:
  - (i) the institution or its subsidiaries;
  - (ii) the parent undertaking of the institution or its subsidiaries;
  - (iii) the parent financial holding company or its subsidiaries;
  - (iv) the mixed activity holding company or its subsidiaries;
  - (v) the mixed financial holding company and its subsidiaries;
  - (vi) any undertaking that has close links with the entities referred to in points (i) to (v);
- m the instruments are not subject to any arrangement, contractual or otherwise, that enhances the seniority of claims under the instruments in insolvency or liquidation.

The condition set out in point (j) of the first subparagraph shall be deemed to be met, notwithstanding the instruments are included in Additional Tier 1 or Tier 2 by virtue of Article 484(3), provided that they rank *pari passu*.

[<sup>F2</sup>For the purposes of point (b) of the first subparagraph, only the part of a capital instrument that is fully paid up shall be eligible to qualify as a Common Equity Tier 1 instrument.]

2 The conditions laid down in point (i) of paragraph 1 shall be deemed to be met notwithstanding a write down on a permanent basis of the principal amount of Additional Tier 1 or Tier 2 instruments.

The condition laid down in point (f) of paragraph 1 shall be deemed to be met notwithstanding the reduction of the principal amount of the capital instrument within a resolution procedure or as a consequence of a write down of capital instruments required by the resolution authority responsible for the institution.

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The condition laid down in point (g) of paragraph 1 shall be deemed to be met notwithstanding the provisions governing the capital instrument indicating expressly or implicitly that the principal amount of the instrument would or might be reduced within a resolution procedure or as a consequence of a write down of capital instruments required by the resolution authority responsible for the institution.

3 The condition laid down in point (h)(iii) of paragraph 1 shall be deemed to be met notwithstanding the instrument paying a dividend multiple, provided that such a dividend multiple does not result in a distribution that causes a disproportionate drag on own funds.

[<sup>F2</sup>The condition set out in point (h)(v) of the first subparagraph of paragraph 1 shall be considered to be met notwithstanding a subsidiary being subject to a profit and loss transfer agreement with its parent undertaking, according to which the subsidiary is obliged to transfer, following the preparation of its annual financial statements, its annual result to the parent undertaking, where all the following conditions are met:

- a the parent undertaking owns 90 % or more of the voting rights and capital of the subsidiary;
- b the parent undertaking and the subsidiary are located in the same Member State;
- c the agreement was concluded for legitimate taxation purposes;
- d in preparing the annual financial statement, the subsidiary has discretion to decrease the amount of distributions by allocating a part or all of its profits to its own reserves or funds for general banking risk before making any payment to its parent undertaking;
- e the parent undertaking is obliged under the agreement to fully compensate the subsidiary for all losses of the subsidiary;
- f the agreement is subject to a notice period according to which the agreement can be terminated only by the end of an accounting year, with such termination taking effect no earlier than the beginning of the following accounting year, leaving the parent undertaking's obligation to fully compensate the subsidiary for all losses incurred during the current accounting year unchanged.

Where an institution has entered into a profit and loss transfer agreement, it shall notify the competent authority without delay and provide the competent authority with a copy of the agreement. The institution shall also notify the competent authority without delay of any changes to the profit and loss transfer agreement and the termination thereof. An institution shall not enter into more than one profit and loss transfer agreement.]

4 For the purposes of point (h)(i) of paragraph 1, differentiated distributions shall only reflect differentiated voting rights. In this respect, higher distributions shall only apply to Common Equity Tier 1 instruments with fewer or no voting rights.

5 EBA shall develop draft regulatory technical standards to specify the following:

- a the applicable forms and nature of indirect funding of own funds instruments;
- b whether and when multiple distributions would constitute a disproportionate drag on own funds;
- c the meaning of preferential distributions.

EBA shall submit those draft regulatory technical standards to the Commission by 28 July 2013.

Power is delegated to the Commission to adopt the regulatory technical standards referred to in the first subparagraph in accordance with Articles 10 to 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010.

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### Textual Amendments

- F2** Inserted by Regulation (EU) 2019/876 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 amending Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 as regards the leverage ratio, the net stable funding ratio, requirements for own funds and eligible liabilities, counterparty credit risk, market risk, exposures to central counterparties, exposures to collective investment undertakings, large exposures, reporting and disclosure requirements, and Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 (Text with EEA relevance).

## Article 29

### Capital instruments issued by mutuals, cooperative societies, savings institutions and similar institutions

1 Capital instruments issued by mutuals, cooperative societies, savings institutions and similar institutions shall qualify as Common Equity Tier 1 instruments only if the conditions laid down in Article 28 with modifications resulting from the application of this Article are met.

2 The following conditions shall be met as regards redemption of the capital instruments:

- except where prohibited under applicable national law, the institution shall be able to refuse the redemption of the instruments;
- where the refusal by the institution of the redemption of instruments is prohibited under applicable national law, the provisions governing the instruments shall give the institution the ability to limit their redemption;
- refusal to redeem the instruments, or the limitation of the redemption of the instruments where applicable, may not constitute an event of default of the institution.

3 The capital instruments may include a cap or restriction on the maximum level of distributions only where that cap or restriction is set out under applicable national law or the statute of the institution.

4 Where the capital instruments provide the owner with rights to the reserves of the institution in the event of insolvency or liquidation that are limited to the nominal value of the instruments, such a limitation shall apply to the same degree to the holders of all other Common Equity Tier 1 instruments issued by that institution.

The condition laid down in the first subparagraph is without prejudice to the possibility for a mutual, cooperative society, savings institution or a similar institution to recognise within Common Equity Tier 1 instruments that do not afford voting rights to the holder and that meet all the following conditions:

- the claim of the holders of the non-voting instruments in the insolvency or liquidation of the institution is proportionate to the share of the total Common Equity Tier 1 instruments that those non-voting instruments represent;
- the instruments otherwise qualify as Common Equity Tier 1 instruments.

5 Where the capital instruments entitle their owners to a claim on the assets of the institution in the event of its insolvency or liquidation that is fixed or subject to a cap, such a limitation shall apply to the same degree to all holders of all Common Equity Tier 1 instruments issued by the institution.

6 EBA shall develop draft regulatory technical standards to specify the nature of the limitations on redemption necessary where the refusal by the institution of the redemption of own funds instruments is prohibited under applicable national law.

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EBA shall submit those draft regulatory technical standards to the Commission by 28 July 2013.

Power is delegated to the Commission to adopt the regulatory technical standards referred to in the first subparagraph in accordance with Articles 10 to 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010.

#### *Article 30*

### **Consequences of the conditions for Common Equity Tier 1 instruments ceasing to be met**

The following shall apply where, in the case of a Common Equity Tier 1 instrument, the conditions laid down in Article 28 or, where applicable, Article 29 cease to be met:

- (a) that instrument shall immediately cease to qualify as a Common Equity Tier 1 instrument;
- (b) the share premium accounts that relate to that instrument shall immediately cease to qualify as Common Equity Tier 1 items.

#### *Article 31*

### **Capital instruments subscribed by public authorities in emergency situations**

1 In emergency situations, competent authorities may permit institutions to include in Common Equity Tier 1 capital instruments that comply at least with the conditions laid down in points (b) to (e) of Article 28(1) where all the following conditions are met:

- a the capital instruments are issued after 1 January 2014;
- b the capital instruments are considered State aid by the Commission;
- c the capital instruments are issued within the context of recapitalisation measures pursuant to State aid- rules existing at the time;
- d the capital instruments are fully subscribed and held by the State or a relevant public authority or public-owned entity;
- e the capital instruments are able to absorb losses;
- f except for the capital instruments referred to in Article 27, in the event of liquidation, the capital instruments entitle their owners to a claim on the residual assets of the institution after the payment of all senior claims;
- g there are adequate exit mechanisms of the State or, where applicable, a relevant public authority or public-owned entity;
- h the competent authority has granted its prior permission and has published its decision together with an explanation of that decision.

2 Upon reasoned request by, and in cooperation with, the relevant competent authority, EBA shall consider the capital instruments referred to in paragraph 1 as equivalent to Common Equity Tier 1 instruments for the purposes of this Regulation.



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## Section 2

### Prudential filters

#### Article 32

### Securitised assets

1 An institution shall exclude from any element of own funds any increase in its equity under the applicable accounting framework that results from securitised assets, including the following:

- a such an increase associated with future margin income that results in a gain on sale for the institution;
- b where the institution is the originator of a securitisation, net gains that arise from the capitalisation of future income from the securitised assets that provide credit enhancement to positions in the securitisation.

2 EBA shall develop draft regulatory technical standards to specify further the concept of a gain on sale referred to in point (a) of paragraph 1.

EBA shall submit those draft regulatory technical standards to the Commission by 28 July 2013.

Power is delegated to the Commission to adopt the regulatory technical standards referred to in the first subparagraph in accordance with Articles 10 to 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010.

#### Article 33

### Cash flow hedges and changes in the value of own liabilities

1 Institutions shall not include the following items in any element of own funds:

- a the fair value reserves related to gains or losses on cash flow hedges of financial instruments that are not valued at fair value, including projected cash flows;
- b gains or losses on liabilities of the institution that are valued at fair value that result from changes in the own credit standing of the institution;
- [<sup>F1</sup>c fair value gains and losses on derivative liabilities of the institution that result from changes in the own credit risk of the institution.]

2 For the purposes of point (c) of paragraph 1, institutions shall not offset the fair value gains and losses arising from the institution's own credit risk with those arising from its counterparty credit risk.

3 Without prejudice to point (b) of paragraph 1, institutions may include the amount of gains and losses on their liabilities in own funds where all the following conditions are met:

- a the liabilities are in the form of bonds as referred to in Article 52(4) of Directive 2009/65/EC;
- b the changes in the value of the institution's assets and liabilities are due to the same changes in the institution's own credit standing;
- c there is a close correspondence between the value of the bonds referred to in point (a) and the value of the institution's assets;

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- d it is possible to redeem the mortgage loans by buying back the bonds financing the mortgage loans at market or nominal value.

4 EBA shall develop draft regulatory technical standards to specify what constitutes close correspondence between the value of the bonds and the value of the assets, as referred to in point (c) of paragraph 3.

EBA shall submit those draft regulatory technical standards to the Commission by 30 September 2013.

Power is delegated to the Commission to adopt the regulatory technical standards referred to in the first subparagraph in accordance with Articles 10 to 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010.

#### *Article 34*

### **Additional value adjustments**

Institutions shall apply the requirements of Article 105 to all their assets measured at fair value when calculating the amount of their own funds and shall deduct from Common Equity Tier 1 capital the amount of any additional value adjustments necessary.

#### *Article 35*

### **Unrealised gains and losses measured at fair value**

Except in the case of the items referred to in Article 33, institutions shall not make adjustments to remove from their own funds unrealised gains or losses on their assets or liabilities measured at fair value.

#### Section 3

### **Deductions from Common Equity Tier 1 items, exemptions and alternatives**

#### Sub-Section 1

### **Deductions from Common Equity Tier 1 items**

#### *Article 36*

### **Deductions from Common Equity Tier 1 items**

- 1 Institutions shall deduct the following from Common Equity Tier 1 items:
- a losses for the current financial year;
  - b intangible assets;
  - c deferred tax assets that rely on future profitability;
  - d for institutions calculating risk-weighted exposure amounts using the Internal Ratings Based Approach (the IRB Approach), negative amounts resulting from the calculation of expected loss amounts laid down in Articles 158 and 159;

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- e defined benefit pension fund assets on the balance sheet of the institution;
  - f direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by an institution of own Common Equity Tier 1 instruments, including own Common Equity Tier 1 instruments that an institution is under an actual or contingent obligation to purchase by virtue of an existing contractual obligation;
  - g direct, indirect and synthetic holdings of the Common Equity Tier 1 instruments of financial sector entities where those entities have a reciprocal cross holding with the institution that the competent authority considers to have been designed to inflate artificially the own funds of the institution;
  - h the applicable amount of direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of Common Equity Tier 1 instruments of financial sector entities where the institution does not have a significant investment in those entities;
  - i the applicable amount of direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of the Common Equity Tier 1 instruments of financial sector entities where the institution has a significant investment in those entities;
  - [<sup>X2</sup>] the amount of items required to be deducted from Additional Tier 1 items pursuant to Article 56 that exceeds the Additional Tier 1 items of the institution;]
  - k the exposure amount of the following items which qualify for a risk weight of 1 250 %, where the institution deducts that exposure amount from the amount of Common Equity Tier 1 items as an alternative to applying a risk weight of 1 250 %:
    - (i) qualifying holdings outside the financial sector;
    - (ii) [<sup>F3</sup>securitisation positions, in accordance with point (b) of Article 244(1), point (b) of Article 245(1) and Article 253;]
    - (iii) free deliveries, in accordance with Article 379(3);
    - (iv) positions in a basket for which an institution cannot determine the risk weight under the IRB Approach, in accordance with Article 153(8);
    - (v) equity exposures under an internal models approach, in accordance with Article 155(4).
  - l any tax charge relating to Common Equity Tier 1 items foreseeable at the moment of its calculation, except where the institution suitably adjusts the amount of Common Equity Tier 1 items insofar as such tax charges reduce the amount up to which those items may be used to cover risks or losses[<sup>F4</sup>;
  - [<sup>F5</sup>m the applicable amount of insufficient coverage for non-performing exposures.]
- 2 EBA shall develop draft regulatory technical standards to specify the application of the deductions referred to in points (a), (c), (e), (f), (h), (i) and (l) of paragraph 1 of this Article and related deductions referred to in points (a), (c), (d) and (f) of Article 56 and points (a), (c) and (d) of Article 66.
- EBA shall submit those draft regulatory technical standards to the Commission by 28 July 2013.
- Power is delegated to the Commission to adopt the regulatory technical standards referred to in the first subparagraph in accordance with Articles 10 to 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010.
- 3 EBA shall develop draft regulatory technical standards to specify the types of capital instruments of financial institutions and, in consultation with the European Supervisory Authority (European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority) (EIOPA) established by

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Regulation (EU) No 1094/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 November 2010<sup>(1)</sup>, of third country insurance and reinsurance undertakings, and of undertakings excluded from the scope of Directive 2009/138/EC in accordance with Article 4 of that Directive that shall be deducted from the following elements of own funds:

- a Common Equity Tier 1 items;
- b Additional Tier 1 items;
- c Tier 2 items.

EBA shall submit those draft regulatory technical standards to the Commission by 28 July 2013.

Power is delegated to the Commission to adopt the regulatory technical standards referred to in the first subparagraph in accordance with Articles 10 to 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010.

[<sup>F24</sup> EBA shall develop draft regulatory technical standards to specify the application of the deductions referred to in point (b) of paragraph 1, including the materiality of negative effects on the value which do not cause prudential concerns.

EBA shall submit those draft regulatory technical standards to the Commission by 28 June 2020.

Power is delegated to the Commission to supplement this Regulation by adopting the regulatory technical standards referred to in the first subparagraph in accordance with Articles 10 to 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010.]

#### **Editorial Information**

- X2** Substituted by [Corrigendum to Regulation \(EU\) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms and amending Regulation \(EU\) No 648/2012 \(Official Journal of the European Union L 176 of 27 June 2013\) \(Corrected version in Official Journal of the European Union L 321 of 30 November 2013\)](#).

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- F3** Substituted by [Regulation \(EU\) 2017/2401 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 December 2017 amending Regulation \(EU\) No 575/2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms](#).
- F4** Substituted by [Regulation \(EU\) 2019/630 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 April 2019 amending Regulation \(EU\) No 575/2013 as regards minimum loss coverage for non-performing exposures \(Text with EEA relevance\)](#).
- F5** Inserted by [Regulation \(EU\) 2019/630 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 April 2019 amending Regulation \(EU\) No 575/2013 as regards minimum loss coverage for non-performing exposures \(Text with EEA relevance\)](#).

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## Article 37

### Deduction of intangible assets

Institutions shall determine the amount of intangible assets to be deducted in accordance with the following:

- (a) the amount to be deducted shall be reduced by the amount of associated deferred tax liabilities that would be extinguished if the intangible assets became impaired or were derecognised under the applicable accounting framework;
- (b) the amount to be deducted shall include goodwill included in the valuation of significant investments of the institution<sup>[F1;]</sup>
- (c) <sup>[F2]</sup>the amount to be deducted shall be reduced by the amount of the accounting revaluation of the subsidiaries' intangible assets derived from the consolidation of subsidiaries attributable to persons other than the undertakings included in the consolidation pursuant to Chapter 2 of Title II of Part One.]

#### Textual Amendments

- F2** Inserted by [Regulation \(EU\) 2019/876 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 amending Regulation \(EU\) No 575/2013 as regards the leverage ratio, the net stable funding ratio, requirements for own funds and eligible liabilities, counterparty credit risk, market risk, exposures to central counterparties, exposures to collective investment undertakings, large exposures, reporting and disclosure requirements, and Regulation \(EU\) No 648/2012 \(Text with EEA relevance\).](#)

## Article 38

### Deduction of deferred tax assets that rely on future profitability

1 Institutions shall determine the amount of deferred tax assets that rely on future profitability that require deduction in accordance with this Article.

2 Except where the conditions laid down in paragraph 3 are met, the amount of deferred tax assets that rely on future profitability shall be calculated without reducing it by the amount of the associated deferred tax liabilities of the institution.

3 The amount of deferred tax assets that rely on future profitability may be reduced by the amount of the associated deferred tax liabilities of the institution, provided the following conditions are met:

- a the entity has a legally enforceable right under applicable national law to set off those current tax assets against current tax liabilities;
- b the deferred tax assets and the deferred tax liabilities relate to taxes levied by the same tax authority and on the same taxable entity.

4 Associated deferred tax liabilities of the institution used for the purposes of paragraph 3 may not include deferred tax liabilities that reduce the amount of intangible assets or defined benefit pension fund assets required to be deducted.

5 The amount of associated deferred tax liabilities referred to in paragraph 4 shall be allocated between the following:

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- a deferred tax assets that rely on future profitability and arise from temporary differences that are not deducted in accordance with Article 48(1);
- b all other deferred tax assets that rely on future profitability.

Institutions shall allocate the associated deferred tax liabilities according to the proportion of deferred tax assets that rely on future profitability that the items referred to in points (a) and (b) represent.

### *Article 39*

#### **Tax overpayments, tax loss carry backs and deferred tax assets that do not rely on future profitability**

1 The following items shall not be deducted from own funds and shall be subject to a risk weight in accordance with Chapter 2 or 3 of Title II of Part Three, as applicable:

- a overpayments of tax by the institution for the current year;
- b current year tax losses of the institution carried back to previous years that give rise to a claim on, or a receivable from, a central government, regional government or local tax authority.

2 <sup>[F1]</sup>Deferred tax assets that do not rely on future profitability shall be limited to deferred tax assets which were created before 23 November 2016 and which arise from temporary differences, where all the following conditions are met:]

- a they are automatically and mandatorily replaced without delay with a tax credit in the event that the institution reports a loss when the annual financial statements of the institution are formally approved, or in the event of liquidation or insolvency of the institution;
- b an institution is able under the applicable national tax law to offset a tax credit referred to in point (a) against any tax liability of the institution or any other undertaking included in the same consolidation as the institution for tax purposes under that law or any other undertaking subject to the supervision on a consolidated basis in accordance with Chapter 2 of Title II of Part One;
- c where the amount of tax credits referred to in point (b) exceeds the tax liabilities referred to in that point, any such excess is replaced without delay with a direct claim on the central government of the Member State in which the institution is incorporated.

Institutions shall apply a risk weight of 100 % to deferred tax assets where the conditions laid down in points (a), (b) and (c) are met.

### *Article 40*

#### **Deduction of negative amounts resulting from the calculation of expected loss amounts**

The amount to be deducted in accordance with point (d) of Article 36(1) shall not be reduced by a rise in the level of deferred tax assets that rely on future profitability, or other additional tax effects, that could occur if provisions were to rise to the level of expected losses referred to in Section 3 of Chapter 3 of Title II of Part Three.

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## Article 41

### Deduction of defined benefit pension fund assets

1 For the purposes of point (e) of Article 36(1), the amount of defined benefit pension fund assets to be deducted shall be reduced by the following:

- a the amount of any associated deferred tax liability which could be extinguished if the assets became impaired or were derecognised under the applicable accounting framework;
- b the amount of assets in the defined benefit pension fund which the institution has an unrestricted ability to use, provided that the institution has received the prior permission of the competent authority.

Those assets used to reduce the amount to be deducted shall receive a risk weight in accordance with Chapter 2 or 3 of Title II of Part Three, as applicable.

2 EBA shall develop draft regulatory technical standards to specify the criteria according to which a competent authority shall permit an institution to reduce the amount of assets in the defined benefit pension fund as specified in point (b) of paragraph 1.

EBA shall submit those draft regulatory technical standards to the Commission by 28 July 2013.

Power is delegated to the Commission to adopt the regulatory technical standards referred to in the first subparagraph in accordance with Articles 10 to 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010.

## Article 42

### Deduction of holdings of own Common Equity Tier 1 instruments

For the purposes of point (f) of Article 36(1), institutions shall calculate holdings of own Common Equity Tier 1 instruments on the basis of gross long positions subject to the following exceptions:

- (a) institutions may calculate the amount of holdings of own Common Equity Tier 1 instruments on the basis of the net long position provided that both the following conditions are met:
  - (i) the long and short positions are in the same underlying exposure and the short positions involve no counterparty risk;
  - (ii) either both the long and the short positions are held in the trading book or both are held in the non-trading book;
- (b) institutions shall determine the amount to be deducted for direct, indirect and synthetic holdings of index securities by calculating the underlying exposure to own Common Equity Tier 1 instruments included in those indices;
- (c) institutions may net gross long positions in own Common Equity Tier 1 instruments resulting from holdings of index securities against short positions in own Common Equity Tier 1 instruments resulting from short positions in the underlying indices, including where those short positions involve counterparty risk, provided that both the following conditions are met:

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- (i) the long and short positions are in the same underlying indices;
- (ii) either both the long and the short positions are held in the trading book or both are held in the non-trading book.

#### *Article 43*

#### **Significant investment in a financial sector entity**

For the purposes of deduction, a significant investment of an institution in a financial sector entity shall arise where any of the following conditions is met:

- (a) the institution owns more than 10 % of the Common Equity Tier 1 instruments issued by that entity;
- (b) the institution has close links with that entity and owns Common Equity Tier 1 instruments issued by that entity;
- (c) the institution owns Common Equity Tier 1 instruments issued by that entity and the entity is not included in consolidation pursuant to Chapter 2 of Title II of Part One but is included in the same accounting consolidation as the institution for the purposes of financial reporting under the applicable accounting framework.

#### *Article 44*

#### **Deduction of holdings of Common Equity Tier 1 instruments of financial sector entities and where an institution has a reciprocal cross holding designed artificially to inflate own funds**

Institutions shall make the deductions referred to in points (g), (h) and (i) of Article 36(1) in accordance with the following:

- (a) holdings of Common Equity Tier 1 instruments and other capital instruments of financial sector entities shall be calculated on the basis of the gross long positions;
- (b) Tier 1 own-fund insurance items shall be treated as holdings of Common Equity Tier 1 instruments for the purposes of deduction.

#### *Article 45*

#### **Deduction of holdings of Common Equity Tier 1 instruments of financial sector entities**

Institutions shall make the deductions required by points (h) and (i) of Article 36(1) in accordance with the following provisions:

- (a) they may calculate direct, indirect and synthetic holdings of Common Equity Tier 1 instruments of the financial sector entities on the basis of the net long position in the same underlying exposure provided that both the following conditions are met:
  - (i) [F<sup>1</sup>the maturity date of the short position is either the same as, or later than the maturity date of the long position or the residual maturity of the short position is at least one year;]



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- (ii) either both the long position and the short position are held in the trading book or both are held in the non-trading book;
- (b) they shall determine the amount to be deducted for direct, indirect and synthetic holdings of index securities by calculating the underlying exposure to the capital instruments of the financial sector entities in those indices.

#### Article 46

### **Deduction of holdings of Common Equity Tier 1 instruments where an institution does not have a significant investment in a financial sector entity**

1 For the purposes of point (h) of Article 36(1), institutions shall calculate the applicable amount to be deducted by multiplying the amount referred to in point (a) of this paragraph by the factor derived from the calculation referred to in point (b) of this paragraph:

- a the aggregate amount by which the direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of the Common Equity Tier 1, Additional Tier 1 and Tier 2 instruments of financial sector entities in which the institution does not have a significant investment exceeds 10 % of the aggregate amount of Common Equity Tier 1 items of the institution calculated after applying the following to Common Equity Tier 1 items:
  - (i) Articles 32 to 35;
  - (ii) the deductions referred to in points (a) to (g), points (k)(ii) to (v) and point (l) of Article 36(1), excluding the amount to be deducted for deferred tax assets that rely on future profitability and arise from temporary differences;
  - (iii) Articles 44 and 45;
- b the amount of direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of the Common Equity Tier 1 instruments of those financial sector entities in which the institution does not have a significant investment divided by the aggregate amount of direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of the Common Equity Tier 1, Additional Tier 1 and Tier 2 instruments of those financial sector entities.

2 Institutions shall exclude underwriting positions held for five working days or fewer from the amount referred to in point (a) of paragraph 1 and from the calculation of the factor referred to in point (b) of paragraph 1.

3 The amount to be deducted pursuant to paragraph 1 shall be apportioned across all Common Equity Tier 1 instruments held. Institutions shall determine the amount of each Common Equity Tier 1 instrument that is deducted pursuant to paragraph 1 by multiplying the amount specified in point (a) of this paragraph by the proportion specified in point (b) of this paragraph:

- a the amount of holdings required to be deducted pursuant to paragraph 1;
- b the proportion of the aggregate amount of direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of the Common Equity Tier 1 instruments of financial sector entities in which the institution does not have a significant investment represented by each Common Equity Tier 1 instrument held.

4 The amount of holdings referred to in point (h) of Article 36(1) that is equal to or less than 10 % of the Common Equity Tier 1 items of the institution after applying the provisions laid down in points (a)(i) to (iii) of paragraph 1 shall not be deducted and shall be subject to

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the applicable risk weights in accordance with Chapter 2 or 3 of Title II of Part Three and the requirements laid down in Title IV of Part Three, as applicable.

5 Institutions shall determine the amount of each Common Equity Tier 1 instrument that is risk weighted pursuant to paragraph 4 by multiplying the amount specified in point (a) of this paragraph by the amount specified in point (b) of this paragraph:

- a the amount of holdings required to be risk weighted pursuant to paragraph 4;
- b the proportion resulting from the calculation in point (b) of paragraph 3.

#### *Article 47*

#### **Deduction of holdings of Common Equity Tier 1 instruments where an institution has a significant investment in a financial sector entity**

For the purposes of point (i) of Article 36(1), the applicable amount to be deducted from Common Equity Tier 1 items shall exclude underwriting positions held for five working days or fewer and shall be determined in accordance with Articles 44 and 45 and Sub-section 2.

#### *IF<sup>5</sup> Article 47a*

#### **Non-performing exposures**

1 For the purposes of point (m) of Article 36(1), exposure shall include any of the following items, provided they are not included in the trading book of the institution:

- a a debt instrument, including a debt security, a loan, an advance and a demand deposit;
- b a loan commitment given, a financial guarantee given or any other commitment given, irrespective of whether it is revocable or irrevocable, with the exception of undrawn credit facilities that may be cancelled unconditionally at any time and without notice, or that effectively provide for automatic cancellation due to deterioration in the borrower's creditworthiness.

2 For the purposes of point (m) of Article 36(1), the exposure value of a debt instrument shall be its accounting value measured without taking into account any specific credit risk adjustments, additional value adjustments in accordance with Articles 34 and 105, amounts deducted in accordance with point (m) of Article 36(1), other own funds reductions related to the exposure or partial write-offs made by the institution since the last time the exposure was classified as non-performing.

For the purposes of point (m) of Article 36(1), the exposure value of a debt instrument that was purchased at a price lower than the amount owed by the debtor shall include the difference between the purchase price and the amount owed by the debtor.

For the purposes of point (m) of Article 36(1), the exposure value of a loan commitment given, a financial guarantee given or any other commitment given as referred to in point (b) of paragraph 1 of this Article shall be its nominal value, which shall represent the institution's maximum exposure to credit risk without taking account of any funded or unfunded credit protection. The nominal value of a loan commitment given shall be the undrawn amount that the institution has committed to lend and the nominal value of a financial guarantee given shall be the maximum amount the entity could have to pay if the guarantee is called on.

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The nominal value referred to in the third subparagraph of this paragraph shall not take into account any specific credit risk adjustment, additional value adjustments in accordance with Articles 34 and 105, amounts deducted in accordance with point (m) of Article 36(1) or other own funds reductions related to the exposure.

3 For the purposes of point (m) of Article 36(1), the following exposures shall be classified as non-performing:

- a an exposure in respect of which a default is considered to have occurred in accordance with Article 178;
- b an exposure which is considered to be impaired in accordance with the applicable accounting framework;
- c an exposure under probation pursuant to paragraph 7, where additional forbearance measures are granted or where the exposure becomes more than 30 days past due;
- d an exposure in the form of a commitment that, were it drawn down or otherwise used, would likely not be paid back in full without realisation of collateral;
- e an exposure in form of a financial guarantee that is likely to be called by the guaranteed party, including where the underlying guaranteed exposure meets the criteria to be considered as non-performing.

For the purposes of point (a), where an institution has on-balance-sheet exposures to an obligor that are past due by more than 90 days and that represent more than 20 % of all on-balance-sheet exposures to that obligor, all on- and off-balance-sheet exposures to that obligor shall be considered to be non-performing.

4 Exposures that have not been subject to a forbearance measure shall cease to be classified as non-performing for the purposes of point (m) of Article 36(1) where all the following conditions are met:

- a the exposure meets the exit criteria applied by the institution for the discontinuation of the classification as impaired in accordance with the applicable accounting framework and of the classification as defaulted in accordance with Article 178;
- b the situation of the obligor has improved to the extent that the institution is satisfied that full and timely repayment is likely to be made;
- c the obligor does not have any amount past due by more than 90 days.

5 The classification of a non-performing exposure as non-current asset held for sale in accordance with the applicable accounting framework shall not discontinue its classification as non-performing exposure for the purposes of point (m) of Article 36(1).

6 Non-performing exposures subject to forbearance measures shall cease to be classified as non-performing for the purposes of point (m) of Article 36(1) where all the following conditions are met:

- a the exposures have ceased to be in a situation that would lead to their classification as non-performing under paragraph 3;
- b at least one year has passed since the date on which the forbearance measures were granted and the date on which the exposures were classified as non-performing, whichever is later;
- c there is no past-due amount following the forbearance measures and the institution, on the basis of the analysis of the obligor's financial situation, is satisfied about the likelihood of the full and timely repayment of the exposure.

Full and timely repayment shall not be considered likely unless the obligor has executed regular and timely payments of amounts equal to either of the following:

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- a the amount that was past due before the forbearance measure was granted, where there were amounts past due;
- b the amount that has been written-off under the forbearance measures granted, where there were no amounts past due.

7 Where a non-performing exposure has ceased to be classified as non-performing pursuant to paragraph 6, such exposure shall be under probation until all the following conditions are met:

- a at least two years have passed since the date on which the exposure subject to forbearance measures was re-classified as performing;
- b regular and timely payments have been made during at least half of the period that the exposure would be under probation, leading to the payment of a substantial aggregate amount of principal or interest;
- c none of the exposures to the obligor is more than 30 days past due.

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F5** Inserted by [Regulation \(EU\) 2019/630 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 April 2019 amending Regulation \(EU\) No 575/2013 as regards minimum loss coverage for non-performing exposures \(Text with EEA relevance\)](#).

### *Article 47b*

#### **Forbearance measures**

1 Forbearance measure is a concession by an institution towards an obligor that is experiencing or is likely to experience difficulties in meeting its financial commitments. A concession may entail a loss for the lender and shall refer to either of the following actions:

- a a modification of the terms and conditions of a debt obligation, where such modification would not have been granted had the obligor not experienced difficulties in meeting its financial commitments;
- b a total or partial refinancing of a debt obligation, where such refinancing would not have been granted had the obligor not experienced difficulties in meeting its financial commitments.

2 At least the following situations shall be considered forbearance measures:

- a new contract terms are more favourable to the obligor than the previous contract terms, where the obligor is experiencing or is likely to experience difficulties in meeting its financial commitments;
- b new contract terms are more favourable to the obligor than contract terms offered by the same institution to obligors with a similar risk profile at that time, where the obligor is experiencing or is likely to experience difficulties in meeting its financial commitments;
- c the exposure under the initial contract terms was classified as non-performing before the modification to the contract terms or would have been classified as non-performing in the absence of modification to the contract terms;
- d the measure results in a total or partial cancellation of the debt obligation;
- e the institution approves the exercise of clauses that enable the obligor to modify the terms of the contract and the exposure was classified as non-performing before the exercise of those clauses, or would be classified as non-performing were those clauses not exercised;

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- f at or close to the time of the granting of debt, the obligor made payments of principal or interest on another debt obligation with the same institution, which was classified as a non-performing exposure or would have been classified as non-performing in the absence of those payments;
  - g the modification to the contract terms involves repayments made by taking possession of collateral, where such modification constitutes a concession.
- 3 The following circumstances are indicators that forbearance measures may have been adopted:
- a the initial contract was past due by more than 30 days at least once during the three months prior to its modification or would be more than 30 days past due without modification;
  - b at or close to the time of concluding the credit agreement, the obligor made payments of principal or interest on another debt obligation with the same institution that was past due by 30 days at least once during the three months prior to the granting of new debt;
  - c the institution approves the exercise of clauses that enable the obligor to change the terms of the contract, and the exposure is 30 days past due or would be 30 days past due were those clauses not exercised.
- 4 For the purposes of this Article, the difficulties experienced by an obligor in meeting its financial commitments shall be assessed at obligor level, taking into account all the legal entities in the obligor's group which are included in the accounting consolidation of the group, and natural persons who control that group.

#### Textual Amendments

- F5** Inserted by [Regulation \(EU\) 2019/630 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 April 2019 amending Regulation \(EU\) No 575/2013 as regards minimum loss coverage for non-performing exposures \(Text with EEA relevance\)](#).

### Article 47c

#### Deduction for non-performing exposures

- 1 For the purposes of point (m) of Article 36(1), institutions shall determine the applicable amount of insufficient coverage separately for each non-performing exposure to be deducted from Common Equity Tier 1 items by subtracting the amount determined in point (b) of this paragraph from the amount determined in point (a) of this paragraph, where the amount referred to in point (a) exceeds the amount referred to in point (b):
- a the sum of:
    - (i) the unsecured part of each non-performing exposure, if any, multiplied by the applicable factor referred to in paragraph 2;
    - (ii) the secured part of each non-performing exposure, if any, multiplied by the applicable factor referred to in paragraph 3;
  - b the sum of the following items provided they relate to the same non-performing exposure:
    - (i) specific credit risk adjustments;
    - (ii) additional value adjustments in accordance with Articles 34 and 105;

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- (iii) other own funds reductions;
- (iv) for institutions calculating risk-weighted exposure amounts using the Internal Ratings Based Approach, the absolute value of the amounts deducted pursuant to point (d) of Article 36(1) which relate to non-performing exposures, where the absolute value attributable to each non-performing exposure is determined by multiplying the amounts deducted pursuant to point (d) of Article 36(1) by the contribution of the expected loss amount for the non-performing exposure to total expected loss amounts for defaulted or non-defaulted exposures, as applicable;
- (v) where a non-performing exposure is purchased at a price lower than the amount owed by the debtor, the difference between the purchase price and the amount owed by the debtor;
- (vi) amounts written-off by the institution since the exposure was classified as non-performing.

The secured part of a non-performing exposure is that part of the exposure which, for the purpose of calculating own funds requirements pursuant to Title II of Part Three, is considered to be covered by a funded credit protection or unfunded credit protection or fully and completely secured by mortgages.

The unsecured part of a non-performing exposure corresponds to the difference, if any, between the value of the exposure as referred to in Article 47a(1) and the secured part of the exposure, if any.

- 2 For the purposes of point (a)(i) of paragraph 1, the following factors shall apply:
  - a 0,35 for the unsecured part of a non-performing exposure to be applied during the period between the first and the last day of the third year following its classification as non-performing;
  - b 1 for the unsecured part of a non-performing exposure to be applied as of the first day of the fourth year following its classification as non-performing.
- 3 For the purposes of point (a)(ii) of paragraph 1, the following factors shall apply:
  - a 0,25 for the secured part of a non-performing exposure to be applied during the period between the first and the last day of the fourth year following its classification as non-performing;
  - b 0,35 for the secured part of a non-performing exposure to be applied during the period between the first and the last day of the fifth year following its classification as non-performing;
  - c 0,55 for the secured part of a non-performing exposure to be applied during the period between the first and the last day of the sixth year following its classification as non-performing;
  - d 0,70 for the part of a non-performing exposure secured by immovable property pursuant to Title II of Part Three or that is a residential loan guaranteed by an eligible protection provider as referred to in Article 201, to be applied during the period between the first and the last day of the seventh year following its classification as non-performing;
  - e 0,80 for the part of a non-performing exposure secured by other funded or unfunded credit protection pursuant to Title II of Part Three to be applied during the period between the first and the last day of the seventh year following its classification as non-performing;

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- f 0,80 for the part of a non-performing exposure secured by immovable property pursuant to Title II of Part Three or that is a residential loan guaranteed by an eligible protection provider as referred to in Article 201, to be applied during the period between the first and the last day of the eighth year following its classification as non-performing;
  - g 1 for the part of a non-performing exposure secured by other funded or unfunded credit protection pursuant to Title II of Part Three to be applied as of the first day of the eighth year following its classification as non-performing;
  - h 0,85 for the part of a non-performing exposure secured by immovable property pursuant to Title II of Part Three or that is a residential loan guaranteed by an eligible protection provider as referred to in Article 201, to be applied during the period between the first and the last day of the ninth year following its classification as non-performing;
  - i 1 for the part of a non-performing exposure secured by immovable property pursuant to Title II of Part Three or that is a residential loan guaranteed by an eligible protection provider as referred to in Article 201, to be applied as of the first day of the tenth year following its classification as non-performing.
- 4 By way of derogation from paragraph 3, the following factors shall apply to the part of the non-performing exposure guaranteed or insured by an official export credit agency:
- a 0 for the secured part of the non-performing exposure to be applied during the period between one year and seven years following its classification as non-performing; and
  - b 1 for the secured part of the non-performing exposure to be applied as of the first day of the eighth year following its classification as non-performing.

5 EBA shall assess the range of practices applied for the valuation of secured non-performing exposures and may develop guidelines to specify a common methodology, including possible minimum requirements for re-valuation in terms of timing and ad hoc methods, for the prudential valuation of eligible forms of funded and unfunded credit protection, in particular regarding assumptions pertaining to their recoverability and enforceability. Those guidelines may also include a common methodology for the determination of the secured part of a non-performing exposure, as referred to in paragraph 1.

Those guidelines shall be issued in accordance with Article 16 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010.

6 By way of derogation from paragraph 2, where an exposure has, between one year and two years following its classification as non-performing, been granted a forbearance measure, the factor applicable in accordance with paragraph 2 on the date on which the forbearance measure is granted shall be applicable for an additional period of one year.

By way of derogation from paragraph 3, where an exposure has, between two and six years following its classification as non-performing, been granted a forbearance measure, the factor applicable in accordance with paragraph 3 on the date on which the forbearance measure is granted shall be applicable for an additional period of one year.

This paragraph shall only apply in relation to the first forbearance measure that has been granted since the classification of the exposure as non-performing.]

#### Textual Amendments

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## Sub-Section 2

### Exemptions from and alternatives to deduction from Common Equity Tier 1 items

#### Article 48

#### Threshold exemptions from deduction from Common Equity Tier 1 items

1 In making the deductions required pursuant to points (c) and (i) of Article 36(1), institutions are not required to deduct the amounts of the items listed in points (a) and (b) of this paragraph which in aggregate are equal to or less than the threshold amount referred to in paragraph 2:

- a deferred tax assets that are dependent on future profitability and arise from temporary differences, and in aggregate are equal to or less than 10 % of the Common Equity Tier 1 items of the institution calculated after applying the following:
  - (i) Articles 32 to 35;
  - (ii) points (a) to (h), points (k)(ii) to (v) and point (l) of Article 36(1), excluding deferred tax assets that rely on future profitability and arise from temporary differences.
- b where an institution has a significant investment in a financial sector entity, the direct, indirect and synthetic holdings of that institution of the Common Equity Tier 1 instruments of those entities that in aggregate are equal to or less than 10 % of the Common Equity Tier 1 items of the institution calculated after applying the following:
  - (i) Article 32 to 35;
  - (ii) points (a) to (h), points (k)(ii) to (v) and point (l), of Article 36(1) excluding deferred tax assets that rely on future profitability and arise from temporary differences.

2 For the purposes of paragraph 1, the threshold amount shall be equal to the amount referred to in point (a) of this paragraph multiplied by the percentage referred to in point (b) of this paragraph:

- a the residual amount of Common Equity Tier 1 items after applying the adjustments and deductions in Articles 32 to 36 in full and without applying the threshold exemptions specified in this Article;
- b 17,65 %.

3 For the purposes of paragraph 1, an institution shall determine the portion of deferred tax assets in the total amount of items that is not required to be deducted by dividing the amount specified in point (a) of this paragraph by the amount specified in point (b) of this paragraph:

- a the amount of deferred tax assets that are dependent on future profitability and arise from temporary differences, and in aggregate are equal to or less than 10 % of the Common Equity Tier 1 items of the institution;
- b the sum of the following:
  - (i) the amount referred to in point (a);
  - (ii) the amount of direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of the own funds instruments of financial sector entities in which the institution has a significant investment, and in aggregate are equal to or less than 10 % of the Common Equity Tier 1 items of the institution.



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The proportion of significant investments in the total amount of items that is not required to be deducted is equal to one minus the proportion referred to in the first subparagraph.

4 The amounts of the items that are not deducted pursuant to paragraph 1 shall be risk weighted at 250 %.

#### Article 49

### **Requirement for deduction where consolidation, supplementary supervision or institutional protection schemes are applied**

1 For the purposes of calculating own funds on an individual basis, a sub-consolidated basis and a consolidated basis, where the competent authorities require or permit institutions to apply method 1, 2 or 3 of Annex I to Directive 2002/87/EC, the competent authorities may permit institutions not to deduct the holdings of own funds instruments of a financial sector entity in which the parent institution, parent financial holding company or parent mixed financial holding company or institution has a significant investment, provided that the conditions laid down in points (a) to (e) of this paragraph are met:

- a the financial sector entity is an insurance undertaking, a re-insurance undertaking or an insurance holding company;
- b that insurance undertaking, re-insurance undertaking or insurance holding company is included in the same supplementary supervision under Directive 2002/87/EC as the parent institution, parent financial holding company or parent mixed financial holding company or institution that has the holding;
- c the institution has received the prior permission of the competent authorities;
- d prior to granting the permission referred to in point (c), and on a continuing basis, the competent authorities are satisfied that the level of integrated management, risk management and internal control regarding the entities that would be included in the scope of consolidation under method 1, 2 or 3 is adequate;
- e the holdings in the entity belong to one of the following:
  - (i) the parent credit institution;
  - (ii) the parent financial holding company;
  - (iii) the parent mixed financial holding company;
  - (iv) the institution;
  - (v) a subsidiary of one of the entities referred to in points (i) to (iv) that is included in the scope of consolidation pursuant to Chapter 2 of Title II of Part One.

The method chosen shall be applied in a consistent manner over time.

2 For the purposes of calculating own funds on an individual basis and a sub-consolidated basis, institutions subject to supervision on a consolidated basis in accordance with Chapter 2 of Title II of Part One shall not deduct holdings of own funds instruments issued by financial sector entities included in the scope of consolidated supervision, unless the competent authorities determine those deductions to be required for specific purposes, in particular structural separation of banking activities and resolution planning.

Applying the approach referred to in the first subparagraph shall not entail disproportionate adverse effects on the whole or parts of the financial system in other

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Member States or in the Union as a whole forming or creating an obstacle to the functioning of the internal market.

[<sup>F2</sup>This paragraph shall not apply when calculating own funds for the purposes of the requirements laid down in Articles 92a and 92b, which shall be calculated in accordance with the deduction framework set out in Article 72e(4).]

3 Competent authorities may, for the purposes of calculating own funds on an individual or sub-consolidated basis permit institutions not to deduct holdings of own funds instruments in the following cases:

a where an institution has a holding in another institution and the conditions referred to in points (i) to (v) are met:

(i) the institutions fall within the same institutional protection scheme referred to in Article 113(7);

(ii) the competent authorities have granted the permission referred to in Article 113(7);

(iii) the conditions laid down in Article 113(7) are satisfied;

(iv) the institutional protection scheme draws up a consolidated balance sheet referred to in point (e) of Article 113(7) or, where it is not required to draw up consolidated accounts, an extended aggregated calculation that is, to the satisfaction of the competent authorities, equivalent to the provisions of Directive 86/635/EEC, which incorporates certain adaptations of the provisions of Directive 83/349/EEC or of Regulation (EC) No 1606/2002, governing the consolidated accounts of groups of credit institutions. The equivalence of that extended aggregated calculation shall be verified by an external auditor and in particular that the multiple use of elements eligible for the calculation of own funds as well as any inappropriate creation of own funds between the members of the institutional protection scheme is eliminated in the calculation. [<sup>F1</sup>The consolidated balance sheet or the extended aggregated calculation shall be reported to the competent authorities with the frequency set out in the implementing technical standards referred to in Article 430(7)];

(v) [<sup>F1</sup>the institutions included in an institutional protection scheme meet together on a consolidated or extended aggregated basis the requirements laid down in Article 92 and carry out reporting of compliance with those requirements in accordance with Article 430.] Within an institutional protection scheme the deduction of the interest owned by co-operative members or legal entities, which are not members of the institutional protection scheme, is not required, provided that the multiple use of elements eligible for the calculation of own funds as well as any inappropriate creation of own funds between the members of the institutional protection scheme and the minority shareholder, when it is an institution, is eliminated.

b where a regional credit institution has a holding in its central or another regional credit institution and the conditions laid down in points (a)(i) to (v) are met.

4 The holdings in respect of which deduction is not made in accordance with paragraph 1, 2 or 3 shall qualify as exposures and shall be risk weighted in accordance with Chapter 2 or 3 of Title II of Part Three, as applicable.

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5 Where an institution applies method 1, 2 or 3 of Annex I to Directive 2002/87/EC, the institution shall disclose the supplementary own funds requirement and capital adequacy ratio of the financial conglomerate as calculated in accordance with Article 6 of and Annex I to that Directive.

6 EBA, EIOPA and the European Supervisory Authority (European Securities and Markets Authority) (ESMA) established by Regulation (EU) No 1095/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 November 2010<sup>(2)</sup> shall, through the Joint Committee, develop draft regulatory technical standards to specify for the purposes of this Article the conditions of application of the calculation methods listed in Annex I, Part II of Directive 2002/87/EC for the purposes of the alternatives to deduction referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article.

EBA, EIOPA and ESMA shall submit those draft regulatory technical standards to the Commission by 28 July 2013.

Power is delegated to the Commission to adopt the regulatory technical standards referred to in the first subparagraph in accordance with Articles 10 to 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010, of Regulation (EU) No 1094/2010 and of Regulation (EU) No 1095/2010 respectively.

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F2** Inserted by [Regulation \(EU\) 2019/876 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 amending Regulation \(EU\) No 575/2013 as regards the leverage ratio, the net stable funding ratio, requirements for own funds and eligible liabilities, counterparty credit risk, market risk, exposures to central counterparties, exposures to collective investment undertakings, large exposures, reporting and disclosure requirements, and Regulation \(EU\) No 648/2012 \(Text with EEA relevance\).](#)

## Section 4

### **Common Equity Tier 1 capital**

#### *Article 50*

### **Common Equity Tier 1 capital**

The Common Equity Tier 1 capital of an institution shall consist of Common Equity Tier 1 items after the application of the adjustments required by Articles 32 to 35, the deductions pursuant to Article 36 and the exemptions and alternatives laid down in Articles 48, 49 and 79.

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## CHAPTER 3

### Additional Tier 1 capital

#### Section 1

#### Additional Tier 1 items and instruments

##### Article 51

#### Additional Tier 1 items

Additional Tier 1 items shall consist of the following:

- (a) capital instruments, where the conditions laid down in Article 52(1) are met;
- (b) the share premium accounts related to the instruments referred to in point (a).

Instruments included under point (a) shall not qualify as Common Equity Tier 1 or Tier 2 items.

##### Article 52

#### Additional Tier 1 instruments

1 Capital instruments shall qualify as Additional Tier 1 instruments only if the following conditions are met:

- [<sup>F1</sup>a the instruments are directly issued by an institution and fully paid up;]
- [<sup>F1</sup>b the instruments are not owned by any of the following:]
  - (i) the institution or its subsidiaries;
  - (ii) an undertaking in which the institution has a participation in the form of ownership, direct or by way of control, of 20 % or more of the voting rights or capital of that undertaking;
- [<sup>F1</sup>c the acquisition of ownership of the instruments is not funded directly or indirectly by the institution;]
- d the instruments rank below Tier 2 instruments in the event of the insolvency of the institution;
- e the instruments are neither secured nor subject to a guarantee that enhances the seniority of the claims by any of the following:
  - (i) the institution or its subsidiaries;
  - (ii) the parent undertaking of the institution or its subsidiaries;
  - (iii) the parent financial holding company or its subsidiaries;
  - (iv) the mixed activity holding company or its subsidiaries;
  - (v) the mixed financial holding company or its subsidiaries;
  - (vi) any undertaking that has close links with entities referred to in points (i) to (v);

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- f the instruments are not subject to any arrangement, contractual or otherwise, that enhances the seniority of the claim under the instruments in insolvency or liquidation;
- g the instruments are perpetual and the provisions governing them include no incentive for the institution to redeem them;
- <sup>[F1]</sup>h where the instruments include one or more early redemption options including call options, the options are exercisable at the sole discretion of the issuer;]
- i the instruments may be called, redeemed or repurchased only where the conditions laid down in Article 77 are met, and not before five years after the date of issuance except where the conditions laid down in Article 78(4) are met;
- <sup>[F1]</sup>j the provisions governing the instruments do not indicate explicitly or implicitly that the instruments would be called, redeemed or repurchased, as applicable, by the institution other than in the case of the insolvency or liquidation of the institution and the institution does not otherwise provide such an indication;]
- k the institution does not indicate explicitly or implicitly that the competent authority would consent to a request to call, redeem or repurchase the instruments;
- l distributions under the instruments meet the following conditions:
  - (i) they are paid out of distributable items;
  - (ii) the level of distributions made on the instruments will not be amended on the basis of the credit standing of the institution or its parent undertaking;
  - (iii) the provisions governing the instruments give the institution full discretion at all times to cancel the distributions on the instruments for an unlimited period and on a non-cumulative basis, and the institution may use such cancelled payments without restriction to meet its obligations as they fall due;
  - (iv) cancellation of distributions does not constitute an event of default of the institution;
  - (v) the cancellation of distributions imposes no restrictions on the institution;
- m the instruments do not contribute to a determination that the liabilities of an institution exceed its assets, where such a determination constitutes a test of insolvency under applicable national law;
- n the provisions governing the instruments require that, upon the occurrence of a trigger event, the principal amount of the instruments be written down on a permanent or temporary basis or the instruments be converted to Common Equity Tier 1 instruments;
- o the provisions governing the instruments include no feature that could hinder the recapitalisation of the institution;
- <sup>[F1]</sup>p where the issuer is established in a third country and has been designated in accordance with Article 12 of Directive 2014/59/EU as part of a resolution group the resolution entity of which is established in the Union or where the issuer is established in a Member State, the law or contractual provisions governing the instruments require that, upon a decision by the resolution authority to exercise the write-down and conversion powers referred to in Article 59 of that Directive, the principal amount of the instruments is to be written down on a permanent basis or the instruments are to be converted to Common Equity Tier 1 instruments;

where the issuer is established in a third country and has not been designated in accordance with Article 12 of Directive 2014/59/EU as part of a resolution group the resolution entity of which is established in the Union, the law or contractual provisions governing the instruments require that, upon a decision by the relevant third-country

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- authority, the principal amount of the instruments is to be written down on a permanent basis or the instruments are to be converted into Common Equity Tier 1 instruments;]
- [<sup>F2</sup>q where the issuer is established in a third country and has been designated in accordance with Article 12 of Directive 2014/59/EU as part of a resolution group the resolution entity of which is established in the Union or where the issuer is established in a Member State, the instruments may only be issued under, or be otherwise subject to the laws of a third country where, under those laws, the exercise of the write-down and conversion powers referred to in Article 59 of that Directive is effective and enforceable on the basis of statutory provisions or legally enforceable contractual provisions that recognise resolution or other write-down or conversion actions;
- r the instruments are not subject to set-off or netting arrangements that would undermine their capacity to absorb losses.]

The condition set out in point (d) of the first subparagraph shall be deemed to be met notwithstanding the fact that the instruments are included in Additional Tier 1 or Tier 2 by virtue of Article 484(3), provided that they rank *pari passu*.

[<sup>F2</sup>For the purposes of point (a) of the first subparagraph, only the part of a capital instrument that is fully paid up shall be eligible to qualify as an Additional Tier 1 instrument.]

- 2 EBA shall develop draft regulatory technical standards to specify all the following:
- a the form and nature of incentives to redeem;
  - b the nature of any write up of the principal amount of an Additional Tier 1 instrument following a write down of its principal amount on a temporary basis;
  - c the procedures and timing for the following:
    - (i) determining that a trigger event has occurred;
    - (ii) writing up the principal amount of an Additional Tier 1 instrument following a write down of its principal amount on a temporary basis;
  - d features of instruments that could hinder the recapitalisation of the institution;
  - e the use of special purpose entities for indirect issuance of own funds instruments.

EBA shall submit those draft regulatory technical standards to the Commission by 28 July 2013.

Power is delegated to the Commission to adopt the regulatory technical standards referred to in the first subparagraph in accordance with Articles 10 to 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010.

#### **Textual Amendments**

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### Article 53

#### **Restrictions on the cancellation of distributions on Additional Tier 1 instruments and features that could hinder the recapitalisation of the institution**

For the purposes of points (l)(v) and (o) of Article 52(1), the provisions governing Additional Tier 1 instruments shall, in particular, not include the following:

- (a) a requirement for distributions on the instruments to be made in the event of a distribution being made on an instrument issued by the institution that ranks to the same degree as, or more junior than, an Additional Tier 1 instrument, including a Common Equity Tier 1 instrument;
- (b) a requirement for the payment of distributions on Common Equity Tier 1, Additional Tier 1 or Tier 2 instruments to be cancelled in the event that distributions are not made on those Additional Tier 1 instruments;
- (c) an obligation to substitute the payment of interest or dividend by a payment in any other form. The institution shall not otherwise be subject to such an obligation.

### Article 54

#### **Write down or conversion of Additional Tier 1 instruments**

1 For the purposes of point (n) of Article 52(1), the following provisions shall apply to Additional Tier 1 instruments:

- a a trigger event occurs when the Common Equity Tier 1 capital ratio of the institution referred to in point (a) of Article 92(1) falls below either of the following:
  - (i) 5,125 %;
  - (ii) a level higher than 5,125 %, where determined by the institution and specified in the provisions governing the instrument;
- b institutions may specify in the provisions governing the instrument one or more trigger events in addition to that referred to in point (a);
- c where the provisions governing the instruments require them to be converted into Common Equity Tier 1 instruments upon the occurrence of a trigger event, those provisions shall specify either of the following:
  - (i) the rate of such conversion and a limit on the permitted amount of conversion;
  - (ii) a range within which the instruments will convert into Common Equity Tier 1 instruments;
- d where the provisions governing the instruments require their principal amount to be written down upon the occurrence of a trigger event, the write down shall reduce all the following:
  - (i) the claim of the holder of the instrument in the insolvency or liquidation of the institution;
  - (ii) the amount required to be paid in the event of the call or redemption of the instrument;

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- (iii) the distributions made on the instrument<sup>[F1;]</sup>
- <sup>[F2]</sup>e where the Additional Tier 1 instruments have been issued by a subsidiary undertaking established in a third country, the 5,125 % or higher trigger referred to in point (a) shall be calculated in accordance with the national law of that third country or contractual provisions governing the instruments, provided that the competent authority, after consulting EBA, is satisfied that those provisions are at least equivalent to the requirements set out in this Article.]
- 2 Write down or conversion of an Additional Tier 1 instrument shall, under the applicable accounting framework, generate items that qualify as Common Equity Tier 1 items.
- 3 The amount of Additional Tier 1 instruments recognised in Additional Tier 1 items is limited to the minimum amount of Common Equity Tier 1 items that would be generated if the principal amount of the Additional Tier 1 instruments were fully written down or converted into Common Equity Tier 1 instruments.
- 4 The aggregate amount of Additional Tier 1 instruments that is required to be written down or converted upon the occurrence of a trigger event shall be no less than the lower of the following:
- a the amount required to restore fully the Common Equity Tier 1 ratio of the institution to 5,125 %;
  - b the full principal amount of the instrument.
- 5 When a trigger event occurs institutions shall do the following:
- a immediately inform the competent authorities;
  - b inform the holders of the Additional Tier 1 instruments;
  - c write down the principal amount of the instruments, or convert the instruments into Common Equity Tier 1 instruments without delay, but no later than within one month, in accordance with the requirement laid down in this Article.
- 6 An institution issuing Additional Tier 1 instruments that convert to Common Equity Tier 1 on the occurrence of a trigger event shall ensure that its authorised share capital is at all times sufficient, for converting all such convertible Additional Tier 1 instruments into shares if a trigger event occurs. All necessary authorisations shall be obtained at the date of issuance of such convertible Additional Tier 1 instruments. The institution shall maintain at all times the necessary prior authorisation to issue the Common Equity Tier 1 instruments into which such Additional Tier 1 instruments would convert upon occurrence of a trigger event.
- 7 An institution issuing Additional Tier 1 instruments that convert to Common Equity Tier 1 on the occurrence of a trigger event shall ensure that there are no procedural impediments to that conversion by virtue of its incorporation or statutes or contractual arrangements.

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## Article 55

### Consequences of the conditions for Additional Tier 1 instruments ceasing to be met

The following shall apply where, in the case of an Additional Tier 1 instrument, the conditions laid down in Article 52(1) cease to be met:

- (a) that instrument shall immediately cease to qualify as an Additional Tier 1 instrument;
- (b) the part of the share premium accounts that relates to that instrument shall immediately cease to qualify as an Additional Tier 1 item.

## Section 2

### Deductions from Additional Tier 1 items

## Article 56

### Deductions from Additional Tier 1 items

Institutions shall deduct the following from Additional Tier 1 items:

- (a) direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by an institution of own Additional Tier 1 instruments, including own Additional Tier 1 instruments that an institution could be obliged to purchase as a result of existing contractual obligations;
- (b) direct, indirect and synthetic holdings of the Additional Tier 1 instruments of financial sector entities with which the institution has reciprocal cross holdings that the competent authority considers to have been designed to inflate artificially the own funds of the institution;
- (c) the applicable amount determined in accordance with Article 60 of direct, indirect and synthetic holdings of the Additional Tier 1 instruments of financial sector entities, where an institution does not have a significant investment in those entities;
- (d) direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of the Additional Tier 1 instruments of financial sector entities where the institution has a significant investment in those entities, excluding underwriting positions held for five working days or fewer;
- (e) [<sup>X2</sup>the amount of items required to be deducted from Tier 2 items pursuant to Article 66 that exceeds the Tier 2 items of the institution;]
- (f) any tax charge relating to Additional Tier 1 items foreseeable at the moment of its calculation, except where the institution suitably adjusts the amount of Additional Tier 1 items insofar as such tax charges reduce the amount up to which those items may be applied to cover risks or losses.

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- X2 Substituted by [Corrigendum to Regulation \(EU\) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms and](#)

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amending Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 (Official Journal of the European Union L 176 of 27 June 2013) (Corrected version in Official Journal of the European Union L 321 of 30 November 2013).

#### Article 57

### **Deductions of holdings of own Additional Tier 1 instruments**

For the purposes of point (a) of Article 56, institutions shall calculate holdings of own Additional Tier 1 instruments on the basis of gross long positions subject to the following exceptions:

- (a) institutions may calculate the amount of holdings of own Additional Tier 1 instruments on the basis of the net long position provided that both the following conditions are met:
  - (i) the long and short positions are in the same underlying exposure and the short positions involve no counterparty risk;
  - (ii) either both the long and the short positions are held in the trading book or both are held in the non-trading book;
- (b) institutions shall determine the amount to be deducted for direct, indirect or synthetic holdings of index securities by calculating the underlying exposure to own Additional Tier 1 instruments in those indices;
- (c) institutions may net gross long positions in own Additional Tier 1 instruments resulting from holdings of index securities against short positions in own Additional Tier 1 instruments resulting from short positions in the underlying indices, including where those short positions involve counterparty risk, provided that both the following conditions are met:
  - (i) the long and short positions are in the same underlying indices;
  - (ii) either both the long and the short positions are held in the trading book or both are held in the non-trading book;

#### Article 58

### **Deduction of holdings of Additional Tier 1 instruments of financial sector entities and where an institution has a reciprocal cross holding designed artificially to inflate own funds**

Institutions shall make the deductions required by points (b), (c) and (d) of Article 56 in accordance with the following:

- (a) holdings of Additional Tier 1 instruments shall be calculated on the basis of the gross long positions;
- (b) Additional Tier 1 own-fund insurance items shall be treated as holdings of Additional Tier 1 instruments for the purposes of deduction.

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## Article 59

### **Deduction of holdings of Additional Tier 1 instruments of financial sector entities**

Institutions shall make the deductions required by points (c) and (d) of Article 56 in accordance with the following:

- (a) they may calculate direct, indirect and synthetic holdings of Additional Tier 1 instruments of the financial sector entities on the basis of the net long position in the same underlying exposure provided that both the following conditions are met:
  - (i) [F<sup>1</sup>the maturity date of the short position is either the same as, or later than the maturity date of the long position or the residual maturity of the short position is at least one year;]
  - (ii) either both the short position and the long position are held in the trading book or both are held in the non-trading book.
- (b) they shall determine the amount to be deducted for direct, indirect and synthetic holdings of index securities by calculating the underlying exposure to the capital instruments of the financial sector entities in those indices.

## Article 60

### **Deduction of holdings of Additional Tier 1 instruments where an institution does not have a significant investment in a financial sector entity**

1 For the purposes of point (c) of Article 56, institutions shall calculate the applicable amount to be deducted by multiplying the amount referred to in point (a) of this paragraph by the factor derived from the calculation referred to in point (b) of this paragraph:

- a the aggregate amount by which the direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of the Common Equity Tier 1, Additional Tier 1 and Tier 2 instruments of financial sector entities in which the institution does not have a significant investment exceeds 10 % of the Common Equity Tier 1 items of the institution calculated after applying the following:
  - (i) Article 32 to 35;
  - (ii) points (a) to (g), points (k)(ii) to (v) and point (l) of Article 36(1), excluding deferred tax assets that rely on future profitability and arise from temporary differences;
  - (iii) Articles 44 and 45;
- b the amount of direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of the Additional Tier 1 instruments of those financial sector entities in which the institution does not have a significant investment divided by the aggregate amount of all direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of the Common Equity Tier 1, Additional Tier 1 and Tier 2 instruments of those financial sector entities.

2 Institutions shall exclude underwriting positions held for five working days or fewer from the amount referred to in point (a) of paragraph 1 and from the calculation of the factor referred to in point (b) of paragraph 1.

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3 The amount to be deducted pursuant to paragraph 1 shall be apportioned across all Additional Tier 1 instruments held. Institutions shall determine the amount of each Additional Tier 1 instrument to be deducted pursuant to paragraph 1 by multiplying the amount specified in point (a) of this paragraph by the proportion specified in point (b) of this paragraph:

- a the amount of holdings required to be deducted pursuant to paragraph 1;
- b the proportion of the aggregate amount of direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of the Additional Tier 1 instruments of financial sector entities in which the institution does not have a significant investment represented by each Additional Tier 1 instrument held.

4 The amount of holdings referred to in point (c) of Article 56 that is equal to or less than 10 % of the Common Equity Tier 1 items of the institution after applying the provisions laid down in points (a)(i), (ii) and (iii) of paragraph 1 shall not be deducted and shall be subject to the applicable risk weights in accordance with Chapter 2 or 3 of Title II of Part Three and the requirements laid down in Title IV of Part Three, as applicable.

5 Institutions shall determine the amount of each Additional Tier 1 instrument that is risk weighted pursuant to paragraph 4 by multiplying the amount specified in point (a) of this paragraph by the amount specified in point (b) of this paragraph:

- a the amount of holdings required to be risk weighted pursuant to paragraph 4;
- b the proportion resulting from the calculation in point (b) of paragraph 3.

### Section 3

#### **Additional Tier 1 capital**

##### *Article 61*

#### **Additional Tier 1 capital**

The Additional Tier 1 capital of an institution shall consist of Additional Tier 1 items after the deduction of the items referred to in Article 56 and the application of Article 79.

### CHAPTER 4

#### **Tier 2 capital**

### Section 1

#### **Tier 2 items and instruments**

##### *Article 62*

#### **Tier 2 items**

Tier 2 items shall consist of the following:

- (a) [<sup>F1</sup>capital instruments where the conditions set out in Article 63 are met, and to the extent specified in Article 64;]

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- (b) the share premium accounts related to instruments referred to in point (a);
- (c) for institutions calculating risk-weighted exposure amounts in accordance with Chapter 2 of Title II of Part Three, general credit risk adjustments, gross of tax effects, of up to 1,25 % of risk-weighted exposure amounts calculated in accordance with Chapter 2 of Title II of Part Three;
- (d) for institutions calculating risk-weighted exposure amounts under Chapter 3 of Title II of Part Three, positive amounts, gross of tax effects, resulting from the calculation laid down in Articles 158 and 159 up to 0,6 % of risk-weighted exposure amounts calculated under Chapter 3 of Title II of Part Three.

Items included under point (a) shall not qualify as Common Equity Tier 1 or Additional Tier 1 items.

### Article 63

#### Tier 2 instruments

[<sup>F1</sup>Capital instruments shall qualify as Tier 2 instruments, provided that the following conditions are met:]

- (a) [<sup>F1</sup>the instruments are directly issued by an institution and fully paid up;]
- (b) [<sup>F1</sup>the instruments are not owned by any of the following:]
  - (i) the institution or its subsidiaries;
  - (ii) an undertaking in which the institution has participation in the form of ownership, direct or by way of control, of 20 % or more of the voting rights or capital of that undertaking;
- (c) [<sup>F1</sup>the acquisition of ownership of the instruments is not funded directly or indirectly by the institution;
- (d) the claim on the principal amount of the instruments under the provisions governing the instruments ranks below any claim from eligible liabilities instruments;]
- (e) [<sup>F1</sup>the instruments are not secured or are not subject to a guarantee that enhances the seniority of the claim by any of the following:]
  - (i) the institution or its subsidiaries;
  - (ii) the parent undertaking of the institution or its subsidiaries;
  - (iii) the parent financial holding company or its subsidiaries;
  - (iv) the mixed activity holding company or its subsidiaries;
  - (v) the mixed financial holding company or its subsidiaries;
  - (vi) any undertaking that has close links with entities referred to in points (i) to (v);
- (f) [<sup>F1</sup>the instruments are not subject to any arrangement that otherwise enhances the seniority of the claim under the instruments;
- (g) the instruments have an original maturity of at least five years;

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- (h) the provisions governing the instruments do not include any incentive for their principal amount to be redeemed or repaid, as applicable by the institution prior to their maturity;
- (i) where the instruments include one or more early repayment options, including call options, the options are exercisable at the sole discretion of the issuer;
- (j) the instruments may be called, redeemed, repaid or repurchased early only where the conditions set out in Article 77 are met, and not before five years after the date of issuance, except where the conditions set out in Article 78(4) are met;
- (k) the provisions governing the instruments do not indicate explicitly or implicitly that the instruments would be called, redeemed, repaid or repurchased early, as applicable, by the institution other than in the case of the insolvency or liquidation of the institution and the institution does not otherwise provide such an indication;
- (l) the provisions governing the instruments do not give the holder the right to accelerate the future scheduled payment of interest or principal, other than in the case of the insolvency or liquidation of the institution;
- (m) the level of interest or dividends payments, as applicable, due on the instruments will not be amended on the basis of the credit standing of the institution or its parent undertaking;
- (n) where the issuer is established in a third country and has been designated in accordance with Article 12 of Directive 2014/59/EU as part of a resolution group the resolution entity of which is established in the Union or where the issuer is established in a Member State, the law or contractual provisions governing the instruments require that, upon a decision by the resolution authority to exercise the write-down and conversion powers referred to in Article 59 of that Directive, the principal amount of the instruments is to be written down on a permanent basis or the instruments are to be converted to Common Equity Tier 1 instruments;  
  
 where the issuer is established in a third country and has not been designated in accordance with Article 12 of Directive 2014/59/EU as a part of a resolution group the resolution entity of which is established in the Union, the law or contractual provisions governing the instruments require that, upon a decision by the relevant third-country authority, the principal amount of the instruments is to be written down on a permanent basis or the instruments are to be converted into Common Equity Tier 1 instruments;]
- (o) [<sup>F2</sup>where the issuer is established in a third country and has been designated in accordance with Article 12 of Directive 2014/59/EU as part of a resolution group the resolution entity of which is established in the Union or where the issuer is established in a Member State, the instruments may only be issued under, or be otherwise subject to the laws of a third country where, under those laws, the exercise of the write-down and conversion powers referred to in Article 59 of that Directive is effective and enforceable on the basis of statutory provisions or legally enforceable contractual provisions that recognise resolution or other write-down or conversion actions;
- (p) the instruments are not subject to set-off or netting arrangements that would undermine their capacity to absorb losses.]

[<sup>F2</sup>For the purposes of point (a) of the first paragraph, only the part of the capital instrument that is fully paid up shall be eligible to qualify as a Tier 2 instrument.]

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### Textual Amendments

- F2** Inserted by Regulation (EU) 2019/876 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 amending Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 as regards the leverage ratio, the net stable funding ratio, requirements for own funds and eligible liabilities, counterparty credit risk, market risk, exposures to central counterparties, exposures to collective investment undertakings, large exposures, reporting and disclosure requirements, and Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 (Text with EEA relevance).

## *[<sup>F1</sup>Article 64*

### **Amortisation of Tier 2 instruments**

- 1 The full amount of Tier 2 instruments with a residual maturity of more than five years shall qualify as Tier 2 items.
- 2 The extent to which Tier 2 instruments qualify as Tier 2 items during the final five years of maturity of the instruments is calculated by multiplying the result derived from the calculation referred to in point (a) by the amount referred to in point (b) as follows:
  - a the carrying amount of the instruments on the first day of the final five-year period of their contractual maturity divided by the number of days in that period;
  - b the number of remaining days of contractual maturity of the instruments.]

## *Article 65*

### **Consequences of the conditions for Tier 2 instruments ceasing to be met**

Where in the case of a Tier 2 instrument the conditions laid down in Article 63 cease to be met, the following shall apply:

- (a) that instrument shall immediately cease to qualify as a Tier 2 instrument;
- (b) the part of the share premium accounts that relate to that instrument shall immediately cease to qualify as Tier 2 items.

## Section 2

### **Deductions from Tier 2 items**

## *Article 66*

### **Deductions from Tier 2 items**

The following shall be deducted from Tier 2 items:

- (a) direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by an institution of own Tier 2 instruments, including own Tier 2 instruments that an institution could be obliged to purchase as a result of existing contractual obligations;
- (b) direct, indirect and synthetic holdings of the Tier 2 instruments of financial sector entities with which the institution has reciprocal cross holdings that the competent

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- authority considers to have been designed to inflate artificially the own funds of the institution;
- (c) the applicable amount determined in accordance with Article 70 of direct, indirect and synthetic holdings of the Tier 2 instruments of financial sector entities, where an institution does not have a significant investment in those entities;
  - (d) direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of the Tier 2 instruments of financial sector entities where the institution has a significant investment in those entities, excluding underwriting positions held for fewer than five working days<sup>[F1];</sup>
  - (e) <sup>[F2]</sup>the amount of items required to be deducted from eligible liabilities items pursuant to Article 72e that exceeds the eligible liabilities items of the institution.]

#### Textual Amendments

- F2** Inserted by [Regulation \(EU\) 2019/876 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 amending Regulation \(EU\) No 575/2013 as regards the leverage ratio, the net stable funding ratio, requirements for own funds and eligible liabilities, counterparty credit risk, market risk, exposures to central counterparties, exposures to collective investment undertakings, large exposures, reporting and disclosure requirements, and Regulation \(EU\) No 648/2012 \(Text with EEA relevance\).](#)

### Article 67

#### Deductions of holdings of own Tier 2 instruments

For the purposes of point (a) of Article 66, institutions shall calculate holdings on the basis of the gross long positions subject to the following exceptions:

- (a) institutions may calculate the amount of holdings on the basis of the net long position provided that both the following conditions are met:
  - (i) the long and short positions are in the same underlying exposure and the short positions involve no counterparty risk;
  - (ii) either both the long and the short positions are held in the trading book or both are held in the non-trading book;
- (b) institutions shall determine the amount to be deducted for direct, indirect and synthetic holdings of index securities by calculating the underlying exposure to own Tier 2 instruments in those indices;
- (c) institutions may net gross long positions in own Tier 2 instruments resulting from holdings of index securities against short positions in own Tier 2 instruments resulting from short positions in the underlying indices, including where those short positions involve counterparty risk, provided that both the following conditions are met:
  - (i) the long and short positions are in the same underlying indices;
  - (ii) either both the long and the short positions are held in the trading book or both are held in the non-trading book.



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### *Article 68*

#### **Deduction of holdings of Tier 2 instruments of financial sector entities and where an institution has a reciprocal cross holding designed artificially to inflate own funds**

Institutions shall make the deductions required by points (b), (c) and (d) of Article 66 in accordance with the following provisions:

- (a) holdings of Tier 2 instruments shall be calculated on the basis of the gross long positions;
- (b) holdings of Tier 2 own-fund insurance items and Tier 3 own-fund insurance items shall be treated as holdings of Tier 2 instruments for the purposes of deduction.

### *Article 69*

#### **Deduction of holdings of Tier 2 instruments of financial sector entities**

Institutions shall make the deductions required by points (c) and (d) of Article 66 in accordance with the following:

- (a) they may calculate direct, indirect and synthetic holdings of Tier 2 instruments of the financial sector entities on the basis of the net long position in the same underlying exposure provided that both the following conditions are met:
  - (i) [F<sup>1</sup>the maturity date of the short position is either the same as, or later than the maturity date of the long position or the residual maturity of the short position is at least one year;]
  - (ii) either both the long position and the short position are held in the trading book or both are held in the non-trading book;
- (b) they shall determine the amount to be deducted for direct, indirect and synthetic holdings of index securities by looking through to the underlying exposure to the capital instruments of the financial sector entities in those indices.

### *Article 70*

#### **Deduction of Tier 2 instruments where an institution does not have a significant investment in a relevant entity**

1 For the purposes of point (c) of Article 66, institutions shall calculate the applicable amount to be deducted by multiplying the amount referred to in point (a) of this paragraph by the factor derived from the calculation referred to in point (b) of this paragraph:

- a the aggregate amount by which the direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of the Common Equity Tier 1, Additional Tier 1 and Tier 2 instruments of financial sector entities in which the institution does not have a significant investment exceeds 10 % of the Common Equity Tier 1 items of the institution calculated after applying the following:
  - (i) Articles 32 to 35;

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- (ii) points (a) to (g), points (k)(ii) to (v) and point (l) of Article 36(1), excluding the amount to be deducted for deferred tax assets that rely on future profitability and arise from temporary differences;
  - (iii) Articles 44 and 45;
- b the amount of direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of the Tier 2 instruments of financial sector entities in which the institution does not have a significant investment divided by the aggregate amount of all direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of the Common Equity Tier 1, Additional Tier 1 and Tier 2 instruments of those financial sector entities.
- 2 Institutions shall exclude underwriting positions held for five working days or fewer from the amount referred to in point (a) of paragraph 1 and from the calculation of the factor referred to in point (b) of paragraph 1.
- 3 The amount to be deducted pursuant to paragraph 1 shall be apportioned across each Tier 2 instrument held. Institutions shall determine the amount to be deducted from each Tier 2 instrument that is deducted pursuant to paragraph 1 by multiplying the amount specified in point (a) of this paragraph by the proportion specified in point (b) of this paragraph:
- a the total amount of holdings required to be deducted pursuant to paragraph 1;
  - b the proportion of the aggregate amount of direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of the Tier 2 instruments of financial sector entities in which the institution does not have a significant investment represented by each Tier 2 instrument held.
- 4 The amount of holdings referred to in point (c) of Article 66(1) that is equal to or less than 10 % of the Common Equity Tier 1 items of the institution after applying the provisions laid down in points (a)(i) to (iii) of paragraph 1 shall not be deducted and shall be subject to the applicable risk weights in accordance with Chapter 2 or 3 of Title II of Part Three and the requirements laid down in Title IV of Part Three, as applicable.
- 5 Institutions shall determine the amount of each Tier 2 instrument that is risk weighted pursuant to paragraph 4 by multiplying the amount specified in point (a) of this paragraph by the amount specified in point (b) of this paragraph:
- a the amount of holdings required to be risk weighted pursuant to paragraph 4;
  - b the proportion resulting from the calculation in point (b) of paragraph 3.

### Section 3

#### **Tier 2 capital**

#### *Article 71*

#### **Tier 2 capital**

The Tier 2 capital of an institution shall consist of the Tier 2 items of the institution after the deductions referred to in Article 66 and the application of Article 79.

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## CHAPTER 5

### Own funds

#### Article 72

### Own funds

The own funds of an institution shall consist of the sum of its Tier 1 capital and Tier 2 capital.

## <sup>F2</sup>CHAPTER 5a

### Eligible liabilities

#### Section 1

### Eligible liabilities items and instruments

#### Article 72a

### Eligible liabilities items

1 Eligible liabilities items shall consist of the following, unless they fall into any of the categories of excluded liabilities laid down in paragraph 2 of this Article, and to the extent specified in Article 72c:

- a eligible liabilities instruments where the conditions set out in Article 72b are met, to the extent that they do not qualify as Common Equity Tier 1, Additional Tier 1 or Tier 2 items;
- b Tier 2 instruments with a residual maturity of at least one year, to the extent that they do not qualify as Tier 2 items in accordance with Article 64.

2 The following liabilities shall be excluded from eligible liabilities items:

- a covered deposits;
- b sight deposits and short term deposits with an original maturity of less than one year;
- c the part of eligible deposits from natural persons and micro, small and medium-sized enterprises which exceeds the coverage level referred to in Article 6 of Directive 2014/49/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council<sup>(3)</sup>;
- d deposits that would be eligible deposits from natural persons, micro, small and medium-sized enterprises if they were not made through branches located outside the Union of institutions established in the Union;
- e secured liabilities, including covered bonds and liabilities in the form of financial instruments used for hedging purposes that form an integral part of the cover pool and that in accordance with national law are secured in a manner similar to covered bonds, provided that all secured assets relating to a covered bond cover pool remain unaffected, segregated and with enough funding and excluding any part of a secured liability or a liability for which collateral has been pledged that exceeds the value of the assets, pledge, lien or collateral against which it is secured;

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- f any liability that arises by virtue of the holding of client assets or client money including client assets or client money held on behalf of collective investment undertakings, provided that such a client is protected under the applicable insolvency law;
- g any liability that arises by virtue of a fiduciary relationship between the resolution entity or any of its subsidiaries (as fiduciary) and another person (as beneficiary), provided that such a beneficiary is protected under the applicable insolvency or civil law;
- h liabilities to institutions, excluding liabilities to entities that are part of the same group, with an original maturity of less than seven days;
- i liabilities with a remaining maturity of less than seven days, owed to:
  - (i) systems or system operators designated in accordance with Directive 98/26/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council<sup>(4)</sup>;
  - (ii) participants in a system designated in accordance with Directive 98/26/EC and arising from the participation in such a system; or
  - (iii) third-country CCPs recognised in accordance with Article 25 of Regulation (EU) No 648/2012;
- j a liability to any of the following:
  - (i) an employee in relation to accrued salary, pension benefits or other fixed remuneration, except for the variable component of the remuneration that is not regulated by a collective bargaining agreement, and except for the variable component of the remuneration of material risk takers as referred to in Article 92(2) of Directive 2013/36/EU;
  - (ii) a commercial or trade creditor where the liability arises from the provision to the institution or the parent undertaking of goods or services that are critical to the daily functioning of the institution's or parent undertaking's operations, including IT services, utilities and the rental, servicing and upkeep of premises;
  - (iii) tax and social security authorities, provided that those liabilities are preferred under the applicable law;
  - (iv) deposit guarantee schemes where the liability arises from contributions due in accordance with Directive 2014/49/EU;
- k liabilities arising from derivatives;
- l liabilities arising from debt instruments with embedded derivatives.

For the purposes of point (l) of the first subparagraph, debt instruments containing early redemption options exercisable at the discretion of the issuer or of the holder, and debt instruments with variable interests derived from a broadly used reference rate such as Euribor or Libor, shall not be considered as debt instruments with embedded derivatives solely because of such features.

#### *Article 72b*

#### **Eligible liabilities instruments**

1 Liabilities shall qualify as eligible liabilities instruments, provided that they comply with the conditions set out in this Article and only to the extent specified in this Article.

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- 2 Liabilities shall qualify as eligible liabilities instruments, provided that all the following conditions are met:
- a the liabilities are directly issued or raised, as applicable, by an institution and are fully paid up;
  - b the liabilities are not owned by any of the following:
    - (i) the institution or an entity included in the same resolution group;
    - (ii) an undertaking in which the institution has a direct or indirect participation in the form of ownership, direct or by way of control, of 20 % or more of the voting rights or capital of that undertaking;
  - c the acquisition of ownership of the liabilities is not funded directly or indirectly by the resolution entity;
  - d the claim on the principal amount of the liabilities under the provisions governing the instruments is wholly subordinated to claims arising from the excluded liabilities referred to in Article 72a(2); that subordination requirement shall be considered to be met in any of the following situations:
    - (i) the contractual provisions governing the liabilities specify that in the event of normal insolvency proceedings as defined in point (47) of Article 2(1) of Directive 2014/59/EU, the claim on the principal amount of the instruments ranks below claims arising from any of the excluded liabilities referred to in Article 72a(2) of this Regulation;
    - (ii) the applicable law specifies that in the event of normal insolvency proceedings as defined in point (47) of Article 2(1) of Directive 2014/59/EU, the claim on the principal amount of the instruments ranks below claims arising from any of the excluded liabilities referred to in Article 72a(2) of this Regulation;
    - (iii) the instruments are issued by a resolution entity which does not have on its balance sheet any excluded liabilities as referred to in Article 72a(2) of this Regulation that rank *pari passu* or junior to eligible liabilities instruments;
  - e the liabilities are neither secured, nor subject to a guarantee or any other arrangement that enhances the seniority of the claim by any of the following:
    - (i) the institution or its subsidiaries;
    - (ii) the parent undertaking of the institution or its subsidiaries;
    - (iii) any undertaking that has close links with entities referred to in points (i) and (ii);
  - f the liabilities are not subject to set-off or netting arrangements that would undermine their capacity to absorb losses in resolution;
  - g the provisions governing the liabilities do not include any incentive for their principal amount to be called, redeemed or repurchased prior to their maturity or repaid early by the institution, as applicable, except in the cases referred to in Article 72c(3);
  - h the liabilities are not redeemable by the holders of the instruments prior to their maturity, except in the cases referred to in Article 72c(2);
  - i subject to Article 72c(3) and (4), where the liabilities include one or more early repayment options, including call options, the options are exercisable at the sole discretion of the issuer, except in the cases referred to in Article 72c(2);
  - j the liabilities may only be called, redeemed, repaid or repurchased early where the conditions set out in Articles 77 and 78a are met;

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- k the provisions governing the liabilities do not indicate explicitly or implicitly that the liabilities would be called, redeemed, repaid or repurchased early, as applicable by the resolution entity other than in the case of the insolvency or liquidation of the institution and the institution does not otherwise provide such an indication;
- l the provisions governing the liabilities do not give the holder the right to accelerate the future scheduled payment of interest or principal, other than in the case of the insolvency or liquidation of the resolution entity;
- m the level of interest or dividend payments, as applicable, due on the liabilities is not amended on the basis of the credit standing of the resolution entity or its parent undertaking;
- n for instruments issued after 28 June 2021 the relevant contractual documentation and, where applicable, the prospectus related to the issuance explicitly refer to the possible exercise of the write-down and conversion powers in accordance with Article 48 of Directive 2014/59/EU.

For the purposes of point (a) of the first subparagraph, only the parts of liabilities that are fully paid up shall be eligible to qualify as eligible liabilities instruments.

For the purposes of point (d) of the first subparagraph of this Article, where some of the excluded liabilities referred to in Article 72a(2) are subordinated to ordinary unsecured claims under national insolvency law, inter alia, due to being held by a creditor who has close links with the debtor, by being or having been a shareholder, in a control or group relationship, a member of the management body or related to any of those persons, subordination shall not be assessed by reference to claims arising from such excluded liabilities.

3 In addition to the liabilities referred to in paragraph 2 of this Article, the resolution authority may permit liabilities to qualify as eligible liabilities instruments up to an aggregate amount that does not exceed 3,5 % of the total risk exposure amount calculated in accordance with Article 92(3) and (4), provided that:

- a all the conditions set out in paragraph 2 except for the condition set out in point (d) of the first subparagraph of paragraph 2 are met;
- b the liabilities rank *pari passu* with the lowest ranking excluded liabilities referred to in Article 72a(2) with the exception of the excluded liabilities that are subordinated to ordinary unsecured claims under national insolvency law referred to in the third subparagraph of paragraph 2 of this Article; and
- c the inclusion of those liabilities in eligible liabilities items would not give rise to a material risk of a successful legal challenge or of valid compensation claims as assessed by the resolution authority in relation to the principles referred to in point (g) of Article 34(1) and Article 75 of Directive 2014/59/EU.

4 The resolution authority may permit liabilities to qualify as eligible liabilities instruments in addition to the liabilities referred to in paragraph 2, provided that:

- a the institution is not permitted to include in eligible liabilities items liabilities referred to in paragraph 3;
- b all the conditions set out in paragraph 2, except for the condition set out in point (d) of the first subparagraph of paragraph 2, are met;
- c the liabilities rank *pari passu* or are senior to the lowest ranking excluded liabilities referred to in Article 72a(2), with the exception of the excluded liabilities subordinated to ordinary unsecured claims under national insolvency law referred to in the third subparagraph of paragraph 2 of this Article;

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- d on the balance sheet of the institution, the amount of the excluded liabilities referred to in Article 72a(2) which rank *pari passu* or below those liabilities in insolvency does not exceed 5 % of the amount of the own funds and eligible liabilities of the institution;
- e the inclusion of those liabilities in eligible liabilities items would not give rise to a material risk of a successful legal challenge or of valid compensation claims as assessed by the resolution authority in relation to the principles referred to in point (g) of Article 34(1) and Article 75 of Directive 2014/59/EU.

5 The resolution authority may only permit an institution to include liabilities referred to either in paragraph 3 or 4 as eligible liabilities items.

6 The resolution authority shall consult the competent authority when examining whether the conditions set out in this Article are fulfilled.

7 EBA shall develop draft regulatory technical standards to specify:

- a the applicable forms and nature of indirect funding of eligible liabilities instruments;
- b the form and nature of incentives to redeem for the purposes of the condition set out in point (g) of the first subparagraph of paragraph 2 of this Article and Article 72c(3).

Those draft regulatory technical standards shall be fully aligned with the delegated act referred to in point (a) of Article 28(5) and in point (a) of Article 52(2).

EBA shall submit those draft regulatory technical standards to the Commission by 28 December 2019.

Power is delegated to the Commission to supplement this Regulation by adopting the regulatory technical standards referred to in the first subparagraph in accordance with Articles 10 to 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010.

#### *Article 72c*

#### **Amortisation of eligible liabilities instruments**

1 Eligible liabilities instruments with a residual maturity of at least one year shall fully qualify as eligible liabilities items.

Eligible liabilities instruments with a residual maturity of less than one year shall not qualify as eligible liabilities items.

2 For the purposes of paragraph 1, where a eligible liabilities instrument includes a holder redemption option exercisable prior to the original stated maturity of the instrument, the maturity of the instrument shall be defined as the earliest possible date on which the holder can exercise the redemption option and request redemption or repayment of the instrument.

3 For the purposes of paragraph 1, where an eligible liabilities instrument includes an incentive for the issuer to call, redeem, repay or repurchase the instrument prior to the original stated maturity of the instrument, the maturity of the instrument shall be defined as the earliest possible date on which the issuer can exercise that option and request redemption or repayment of the instrument.

4 For the purposes of paragraph 1, where an eligible liabilities instrument includes early redemption options that are exercisable at the sole discretion of the issuer prior to the original stated maturity of the instrument, but where the provisions governing the instrument do not include any incentive for the instrument to be called, redeemed, repaid or repurchased prior to

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its maturity and do not include any option for redemption or repayment at the discretion of the holders, the maturity of the instrument shall be defined as the original stated maturity.

#### *Article 72d*

### **Consequences of the eligibility conditions ceasing to be met**

Where, in the case of an eligible liabilities instrument, the applicable conditions set out in Article 72b cease to be met, the liabilities shall immediately cease to qualify as eligible liabilities instruments.

Liabilities referred to in Article 72b(2) may continue to count as eligible liabilities instruments as long as they qualify as eligible liabilities instruments under Article 72b(3) or (4).

#### *Section 2*

### ***Deductions from eligible liabilities items***

#### *Article 72e*

### **Deductions from eligible liabilities items**

1 Institutions that are subject to Article 92a shall deduct the following from eligible liabilities items:

- a direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of own eligible liabilities instruments, including own liabilities that that institution could be obliged to purchase as a result of existing contractual obligations;
- b direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of eligible liabilities instruments of G-SII entities with which the institution has reciprocal cross holdings that the competent authority considers to have been designed to artificially inflate the loss absorption and recapitalisation capacity of the resolution entity;
- c the applicable amount determined in accordance with Article 72i of direct, indirect and synthetic holdings of eligible liabilities instruments of G-SII entities, where the institution does not have a significant investment in those entities;
- d direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of eligible liabilities instruments of G-SII entities, where the institution has a significant investment in those entities, excluding underwriting positions held for five business days or fewer.

2 For the purposes of this Section, all instruments ranking *pari passu* with eligible liabilities instruments shall be treated as eligible liabilities instruments, with the exception of instruments ranking *pari passu* with instruments recognised as eligible liabilities pursuant to Article 72b(3) and (4).

3 For the purposes of this Section, institutions may calculate the amount of holdings of the eligible liabilities instruments referred to in Article 72b(3) as follows:

$$h = \sum_i (H_i \times \frac{h_i}{L_i})$$

where:



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h	=	the amount of holdings of the eligible liabilities instruments referred to in Article 72b(3);
i	=	the index denoting the issuing institution;
H <sub>i</sub>	=	the total amount of holdings of eligible liabilities of the issuing institution i referred to in Article 72b(3);
l <sub>i</sub>	=	the amount of liabilities included in eligible liabilities items by the issuing institution i within the limits specified in Article 72b(3) according to the latest disclosures by the issuing institution; and
L <sub>i</sub>	=	the total amount of the outstanding liabilities of the issuing institution i referred to in Article 72b(3) according to the latest disclosures by the issuer.

4 Where an EU parent institution or a parent institution in a Member State that is subject to Article 92a has direct, indirect or synthetic holdings of own funds instruments or eligible liabilities instruments of one or more subsidiaries which do not belong to the same resolution group as that parent institution, the resolution authority of that parent institution, after duly considering the opinion of the resolution authorities of any subsidiaries concerned, may permit the parent institution to deduct such holdings by deducting a lower amount specified by the resolution authority of that parent institution. That adjusted amount shall be at least equal to the amount (m) calculated as follows:

$$m_i = \max\{0; OP_i + LP_i - \max\{0; \beta \cdot [O_i + L_i - r_i \cdot aRWA_i]\}\}$$

where:

i	=	the index denoting the subsidiary;
OP <sub>i</sub>	=	the amount of own funds instruments issued by subsidiary i and held by the parent institution;
LP <sub>i</sub>	=	the amount of eligible liabilities items issued by subsidiary i and held by the parent institution;
β	=	percentage of own funds instruments and eligible liabilities items issued by subsidiary i and held by the parent undertaking;
O <sub>i</sub>	=	the amount of own funds of subsidiary i, not taking into account the deduction calculated in accordance with this paragraph;
L <sub>i</sub>	=	the amount of eligible liabilities of subsidiary i, not taking into account the deduction calculated in accordance with this paragraph;
r <sub>i</sub>	=	the ratio applicable to subsidiary i at the level of its resolution group in accordance with point (a) of Article 92a(1) of this Regulation and Article 45d of Directive 2014/59/EU; and
aRWA <sub>i</sub>	=	the total risk exposure amount of the G-SII entity i calculated in accordance with Article 92(3) and (4), taking into account the adjustments set out in Article 12a.

Where the parent institution is allowed to deduct the adjusted amount in accordance with the first subparagraph, the difference between the amount of holdings of own funds instruments and eligible liabilities instruments referred to in the first subparagraph and that adjusted amount shall be deducted by the subsidiary.

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### *Article 72f*

#### **Deduction of holdings of own eligible liabilities instruments**

For the purposes of point (a) of Article 72e(1), institutions shall calculate holdings on the basis of the gross long positions subject to the following exceptions:

- (a) institutions may calculate the amount of holdings on the basis of the net long position, provided that both the following conditions are met:
  - (i) the long and short positions are in the same underlying exposure and the short positions involve no counterparty risk;
  - (ii) either both the long and the short positions are held in the trading book or both are held in the non-trading book;
- (b) institutions shall determine the amount to be deducted for direct, indirect and synthetic holdings of index securities by calculating the underlying exposure to own eligible liabilities instruments in those indices;
- (c) institutions may net gross long positions in own eligible liabilities instruments resulting from holdings of index securities against short positions in own eligible liabilities instruments resulting from short positions in underlying indices, including where those short positions involve counterparty risk, provided that both the following conditions are met:
  - (i) the long and short positions are in the same underlying indices;
  - (ii) either both the long and the short positions are held in the trading book or both are held in the non-trading book.

### *Article 72g*

#### **Deduction base for eligible liabilities items**

For the purposes of points (b), (c) and (d) of Article 72e(1), institutions shall deduct the gross long positions subject to the exceptions laid down in Articles 72h and 72i.

### *Article 72h*

#### **Deduction of holdings of eligible liabilities of other G-SII entities**

Institutions not making use of the exception set out in Article 72j shall make the deductions referred to in points (c) and (d) of Article 72e(1) in accordance with the following:

- (a) they may calculate direct, indirect and synthetic holdings of eligible liabilities instruments on the basis of the net long position in the same underlying exposure, provided that both the following conditions are met:
  - (i) the maturity date of the short position is either the same as, or later than the maturity date of the long position or the residual maturity of the short position is at least one year;

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- (ii) either both the long position and the short position are held in the trading book or both are held in the non-trading book;
- (b) they shall determine the amount to be deducted for direct, indirect and synthetic holdings of index securities by looking through to the underlying exposure to the eligible liabilities instruments in those indices.

#### *Article 72i*

#### **Deduction of eligible liabilities where the institution does not have a significant investment in G-SII entities**

1 For the purposes of point (c) of Article 72e(1), institutions shall calculate the applicable amount to be deducted by multiplying the amount referred to in point (a) of this paragraph by the factor derived from the calculation referred to in point (b) of this paragraph:

- a the aggregate amount by which the direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of the Common Equity Tier 1, Additional Tier 1, Tier 2 instruments of financial sector entities and eligible liabilities instruments of G-SII entities in none of which the institution has a significant investment exceeds 10 % of the Common Equity Tier 1 items of the institution after applying the following:
  - (i) Articles 32 to 35;
  - (ii) points (a) to (g), points (k)(ii) to (k)(v) and point (l) of Article 36(1), excluding the amount to be deducted for deferred tax assets that rely on future profitability and arise from temporary differences;
  - (iii) Articles 44 and 45;
- b the amount of direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of the eligible liabilities instruments of G-SII entities in which the institution does not have a significant investment divided by the aggregate amount of the direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of the Common Equity Tier 1, Additional Tier 1, Tier 2 instruments of financial sector entities and eligible liabilities instruments of G-SII entities in none of which the resolution entity has a significant investment.

2 Institutions shall exclude underwriting positions held for five business days or fewer from the amounts referred to in point (a) of paragraph 1 and from the calculation of the factor in accordance with point (b) of paragraph 1.

3 The amount to be deducted pursuant to paragraph 1 shall be apportioned across each eligible liabilities instrument of a G-SII entity held by the institution. Institutions shall determine the amount of each eligible liabilities instrument that is deducted pursuant to paragraph 1 by multiplying the amount specified in point (a) of this paragraph by the proportion specified in point (b) of this paragraph:

- a the amount of holdings required to be deducted pursuant to paragraph 1;
- b the proportion of the aggregate amount of direct, indirect and synthetic holdings by the institution of the eligible liabilities instruments of G-SII entities in which the institution does not have a significant investment represented by each eligible liabilities instrument held by the institution.

4 The amount of holdings referred to in point (c) of Article 72e(1) that is equal to or less than 10 % of the Common Equity Tier 1 items of the institution after applying the provisions laid down in points (a)(i), (a)(ii) and (a)(iii) of paragraph 1 of this Article shall not be deducted

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and shall be subject to the applicable risk weights in accordance with Chapter 2 or 3 of Title II of Part Three and the requirements laid down in Title IV of Part Three, as applicable.

5 Institutions shall determine the amount of each eligible liabilities instrument that is risk weighted pursuant to paragraph 4 by multiplying the amount of holdings required to be risk weighted pursuant to paragraph 4 by the proportion resulting from the calculation specified in point (b) of paragraph 3.

#### *Article 72j*

##### **Trading book exception from deductions from eligible liabilities items**

1 Institutions may decide not to deduct a designated part of their direct, indirect and synthetic holdings of eligible liabilities instruments, that in aggregate and measured on a gross long basis is equal to or less than 5 % of the Common Equity Tier 1 items of the institution after applying Articles 32 to 36, provided that all the following conditions are met:

- a the holdings are in the trading book;
- b the eligible liabilities instruments are held for no longer than 30 business days.

2 The amounts of the items that are not deducted pursuant to paragraph 1 shall be subject to own funds requirements for items in the trading book.

3 Where, in the case of holdings not deducted in accordance with paragraph 1, the conditions set out in that paragraph cease to be met, the holdings shall be deducted in accordance with Article 72g without applying the exceptions laid down in Articles 72h and 72i.

#### *Section 3*

##### ***Own funds and eligible liabilities***

#### *Article 72k*

##### **Eligible liabilities**

The eligible liabilities of an institution shall consist of the eligible liabilities items of the institution after the deductions referred to in Article 72e.

#### *Article 72l*

##### **Own funds and eligible liabilities**

The own funds and eligible liabilities of an institution shall consist of the sum of its own funds and its eligible liabilities.]

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## CHAPTER 6

### [<sup>F1</sup>General requirements for own funds and eligible liabilities]

#### Article 73

#### [<sup>F1</sup>Distributions on instruments]

[<sup>F1</sup>1 Capital instruments and liabilities for which an institution has the sole discretion to decide to pay distributions in a form other than cash or own funds instruments shall not be eligible to qualify as Common Equity Tier 1, Additional Tier 1, Tier 2 or eligible liabilities instruments, unless the institution has received the prior permission of the competent authority.

2 Competent authorities shall grant the prior permission referred to in paragraph 1 only where they consider all the following conditions to be met:

- a the ability of the institution to cancel payments under the instrument would not be adversely affected by the discretion referred to in paragraph 1, or by the form in which distributions could be made;
- b the ability of the capital instrument or of the liability to absorb losses would not be adversely affected by the discretion referred to in paragraph 1, or by the form in which distributions could be made;
- c the quality of the capital instrument or liability would not otherwise be reduced by the discretion referred to in paragraph 1, or by the form in which distributions could be made.

The competent authority shall consult the resolution authority regarding an institution's compliance with those conditions before granting the prior permission referred to in paragraph 1.

3 Capital instruments and liabilities for which a legal person other than the institution issuing them has the discretion to decide or require that the payment of distributions on those instruments or liabilities shall be made in a form other than cash or own funds instruments shall not be eligible to qualify as Common Equity Tier 1, Additional Tier 1, Tier 2 or eligible liabilities instruments.

4 Institutions may use a broad market index as one of the bases for determining the level of distributions on Additional Tier 1, Tier 2 and eligible liabilities instruments.]

5 Paragraph 4 shall not apply where the institution is a reference entity in that broad market index unless both the following conditions are met:

- a the institution considers movements in that broad market index not to be significantly correlated to the credit standing of the institution, its parent institution or parent financial holding company or parent mixed financial holding company or parent mixed activity holding company;
- b the competent authority has not reached a different determination from that referred to in point (a).

[<sup>F16</sup> Institutions shall report and disclose the broad market indices on which their capital instruments and eligible liabilities instruments rely.]

7 EBA shall develop draft regulatory technical standards to specify the conditions according to which indices shall be deemed to qualify as broad market indices for the purposes of paragraph 4.

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EBA shall submit those draft regulatory technical standards to the Commission by 28 July 2013.

Power is delegated to the Commission to adopt the regulatory technical standards referred to in the first subparagraph in accordance with Articles 10 to 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010.

#### *Article 74*

### **Holdings of capital instruments issued by regulated financial sector entities that do not qualify as regulatory capital**

Institutions shall not deduct from any element of own funds direct, indirect or synthetic holdings of capital instruments issued by a regulated financial sector entity that do not qualify as regulatory capital of that entity. Institutions shall apply risk weights to such holdings in accordance with Chapter 2 or 3 of Title II of Part Three, as applicable.

#### *Article 75*

### **Deduction and maturity requirements for short positions**

[<sup>F1</sup>The maturity requirements for short positions referred to in point (a) of Article 45, point (a) of Article 59, point (a) of Article 69 and point (a) of Article 72h shall be considered to be met in respect of positions held where all the following conditions are met:]

- (a) the institution has the contractual right to sell on a specific future date to the counterparty providing the hedge the long position that is being hedged;
- (b) the counterparty providing the hedge to the institution is contractually obliged to purchase from the institution on that specific future date the long position referred to in point (a).

#### *Article 76*

### **Index holdings of capital instruments**

[<sup>F11</sup> For the purposes of point (a) of Article 42, point (a) of Article 45, point (a) of Article 57, point (a) of Article 59, point (a) of Article 67, point (a) of Article 69 and point (a) of Article 72h, institutions may reduce the amount of a long position in a capital instrument by the portion of an index that is made up of the same underlying exposure that is being hedged, provided that all the following conditions are met:

- a either both the long position being hedged and the short position in an index used to hedge that long position are held in the trading book or both are held in the non-trading book;
- b the positions referred to in point (a) are held at fair value on the balance sheet of the institution;
- c the short position referred to in point (a) qualifies as an effective hedge under the internal control processes of the institution;
- d the competent authorities assess the adequacy of the internal control processes referred to in point (c) on at least an annual basis and are satisfied with their continuing appropriateness.

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2 Where the competent authority has granted its prior permission, an institution may use a conservative estimate of the underlying exposure of the institution to instruments included in indices as an alternative to an institution calculating its exposure to the items referred to in one or more of the following points:

- a own Common Equity Tier 1, Additional Tier 1, Tier 2 and eligible liabilities instruments included in indices;
- b Common Equity Tier 1, Additional Tier 1 and Tier 2 instruments of financial sector entities, included in indices;
- c eligible liabilities instruments of institutions, included in indices.

3 Competent authorities shall grant the prior permission referred to in paragraph 2 only where the institution has demonstrated to their satisfaction that it would be operationally burdensome for the institution to monitor its underlying exposure to the items referred to in one or more of the points of paragraph 2, as applicable.]

4 EBA shall develop draft regulatory technical standards to specify:

- a when an estimate used as an alternative to the calculation of underlying exposure referred to in paragraph 2 is sufficiently conservative;
- b the meaning of operationally burdensome for the purposes of paragraph 3.

EBA shall submit those draft regulatory technical standards to the Commission by 28 July 2013.

Power is delegated to the Commission to adopt the regulatory technical standards referred to in the first subparagraph in accordance with Articles 10 to 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010.

#### *[<sup>F1</sup>Article 77*

### **Conditions for reducing own funds and eligible liabilities**

1 An institution shall obtain the prior permission of the competent authority to do any of the following:

- a reduce, redeem or repurchase Common Equity Tier 1 instruments issued by the institution in a manner that is permitted under applicable national law;
- b reduce, distribute or reclassify as another own funds item the share premium accounts related to own funds instruments;
- c effect the call, redemption, repayment or repurchase of Additional Tier 1 or Tier 2 instruments prior to the date of their contractual maturity.

2 An institution shall obtain the prior permission of the resolution authority to effect the call, redemption, repayment or repurchase of eligible liabilities instruments that are not covered by paragraph 1, prior to the date of their contractual maturity.]

#### *[<sup>F1</sup>Article 78*

### **Supervisory permission to reduce own funds**

1 The competent authority shall grant permission for an institution to reduce, call, redeem, repay or repurchase Common Equity Tier 1, Additional Tier 1 or Tier 2 instruments, or to reduce, distribute or reclassify related share premium accounts, where either of the following conditions is met:

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- a before or at the same time as any of the actions referred to in Article 77(1), the institution replaces the instruments or the related share premium accounts referred to in Article 77(1) with own funds instruments of equal or higher quality at terms that are sustainable for the income capacity of the institution;
- b the institution has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the competent authority that the own funds and eligible liabilities of the institution would, following the action referred to in Article 77(1) of this Regulation, exceed the requirements laid down in this Regulation and in Directives 2013/36/EU and 2014/59/EU by a margin that the competent authority considers necessary.

Where an institution provides sufficient safeguards as to its capacity to operate with own funds above the amounts required in this Regulation and in Directive 2013/36/EU, the competent authority may grant that institution a general prior permission to take any of the actions set out in Article 77(1) of this Regulation, subject to criteria that ensure that any such future action will be in accordance with the conditions set out in points (a) and (b) of this paragraph. That general prior permission shall be granted only for a specified period, which shall not exceed one year, after which it may be renewed. The general prior permission shall be granted for a certain predetermined amount, which shall be set by the competent authority. In the case of Common Equity Tier 1 instruments, that predetermined amount shall not exceed 3 % of the relevant issue and shall not exceed 10 % of the amount by which Common Equity Tier 1 capital exceeds the sum of the Common Equity Tier 1 capital requirements laid down in this Regulation, in Directives 2013/36/EU and 2014/59/EU by a margin that the competent authority considers necessary. In the case of Additional Tier 1 or Tier 2 instruments, that predetermined amount shall not exceed 10 % of the relevant issue and shall not exceed 3 % of the total amount of outstanding Additional Tier 1 or Tier 2 instruments, as applicable.

Competent authorities shall withdraw the general prior permission where an institution breaches any of the criteria provided for the purposes of that permission.

2 When assessing the sustainability of the replacement instruments for the income capacity of the institution referred to in point (a) of paragraph 1, competent authorities shall consider the extent to which those replacement capital instruments would be more costly for the institution than those capital instruments or share premium accounts they would replace.

3 Where an institution takes an action referred to in point (a) of Article 77(1) and the refusal of redemption of Common Equity Tier 1 instruments referred to in Article 27 is prohibited by applicable national law, the competent authority may waive the conditions set out in paragraph 1 of this Article, provided that the competent authority requires the institution to limit the redemption of such instruments on an appropriate basis.

4 Competent authorities may permit institutions to call, redeem, repay or repurchase Additional Tier 1 or Tier 2 instruments or related share premium accounts during the five years following their date of issuance where the conditions set out in paragraph 1 and one of the following conditions is met:

- a there is a change in the regulatory classification of those instruments that would be likely to result in their exclusion from own funds or reclassification as own funds of lower quality, and both the following conditions are met:
  - (i) the competent authority considers such a change to be sufficiently certain;
  - (ii) the institution demonstrates to the satisfaction of the competent authority that the regulatory reclassification of those instruments was not reasonably foreseeable at the time of their issuance;



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- b there is a change in the applicable tax treatment of those instruments which the institution demonstrates to the satisfaction of the competent authority is material and was not reasonably foreseeable at the time of their issuance;
  - c the instruments and related share premium accounts are grandfathered under Article 494b;
  - d before or at the same time as the action referred to in Article 77(1), the institution replaces the instruments or related share premium accounts referred to in Article 77(1) with own funds instruments of equal or higher quality at terms that are sustainable for the income capacity of the institution and the competent authority has permitted that action on the basis of the determination that it would be beneficial from a prudential point of view and justified by exceptional circumstances;
  - e the Additional Tier 1 or Tier 2 instruments are repurchased for market making purposes.
- 5 EBA shall develop draft regulatory technical standards to specify the following:
- a the meaning of ‘sustainable for the income capacity of the institution’;
  - b the appropriate bases of limitation of redemption referred to in paragraph 3;
  - c the process including the limits and procedures for granting approval in advance by competent authorities for an action listed in Article 77(1), and data requirements for an application by an institution for the permission of the competent authority to carry out an action listed therein, including the process to be applied in the case of redemption of shares issued to members of cooperative societies, and the time period for processing such an application.

EBA shall submit those draft regulatory technical standards to the Commission by 28 July 2013.

Power is delegated to the Commission to adopt the regulatory technical standards referred to in the first subparagraph in accordance with Articles 10 to 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010.]

## *1<sup>F2</sup>Article 78a*

### **Permission to reduce eligible liabilities instruments**

- 1 The resolution authority shall grant permission for an institution to call, redeem, repay or repurchase eligible liabilities instruments where one of the following conditions is met:
- a before or at the same time as any of the actions referred to in Article 77(2), the institution replaces the eligible liabilities instruments with own funds or eligible liabilities instruments of equal or higher quality at terms that are sustainable for the income capacity of the institution;
  - b the institution has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the resolution authority that the own funds and eligible liabilities of the institution would, following the action referred to in Article 77(2) of this Regulation, exceed the requirements for own funds and eligible liabilities laid down in this Regulation and in Directives 2013/36/EU and 2014/59/EU by a margin that the resolution authority, in agreement with the competent authority, considers necessary;
  - c the institution has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the resolution authority that the partial or full replacement of the eligible liabilities with own funds instruments is necessary to ensure compliance with the own funds requirements laid down in this Regulation and in Directive 2013/36/EU for continuing authorisation.

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Where an institution provides sufficient safeguards as to its capacity to operate with own funds and eligible liabilities above the amount of the requirements laid down in this Regulation and in Directives 2013/36/EU and 2014/59/EU, the resolution authority, after consulting the competent authority, may grant that institution a general prior permission to effect calls, redemptions, repayments or repurchases of eligible liabilities instruments, subject to criteria that ensure that any such future action will be in accordance with the conditions set out in points (a) and (b) of this paragraph. That general prior permission shall be granted only for a specified period, which shall not exceed one year, after which it may be renewed. The general prior permission shall be granted for a certain predetermined amount, which shall be set by the resolution authority. Resolution authorities shall inform the competent authorities about any general prior permission granted.

The resolution authority shall withdraw the general prior permission where an institution breaches any of the criteria provided for the purposes of that permission.

2 When assessing the sustainability of the replacement instruments for the income capacity of the institution referred to in point (a) of paragraph 1, resolution authorities shall consider the extent to which those replacement capital instruments or replacement eligible liabilities would be more costly for the institution than those they would replace.

3 EBA shall develop draft regulatory technical standards to specify the following:

- a the process of cooperation between the competent authority and the resolution authority;
- b the procedure, including the time limits and information requirements, for granting the permission in accordance with the first subparagraph of paragraph 1;
- c the procedure, including the time limits and information requirements, for granting the general prior permission in accordance with the second subparagraph of paragraph 1;
- d the meaning of ‘sustainable for the income capacity of the institution’.

For the purposes of point (d) of the first subparagraph of this paragraph, the draft regulatory technical standards shall be fully aligned with the delegated act referred to in Article 78.

EBA shall submit those draft regulatory technical standards to the Commission by 28 December 2019.

Power is delegated to the Commission to supplement this Regulation by adopting the regulatory technical standards referred to in the first subparagraph in accordance with Articles 10 to 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010.]

#### Textual Amendments

- F2** Inserted by [Regulation \(EU\) 2019/876 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 amending Regulation \(EU\) No 575/2013 as regards the leverage ratio, the net stable funding ratio, requirements for own funds and eligible liabilities, counterparty credit risk, market risk, exposures to central counterparties, exposures to collective investment undertakings, large exposures, reporting and disclosure requirements, and Regulation \(EU\) No 648/2012 \(Text with EEA relevance\).](#)

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## Article 79

### [<sup>F1</sup>Temporary waiver from deduction from own funds and eligible liabilities]

[<sup>F1</sup> Where an institution holds capital instruments or liabilities that qualify as own funds instruments in a financial sector entity or as eligible liabilities instruments in an institution and where the competent authority considers those holdings to be for the purposes of a financial assistance operation designed to reorganise and restore the viability of that entity or that institution, the competent authority may waive on a temporary basis the provisions on deduction that would otherwise apply to those instruments.]

2 EBA shall develop draft regulatory technical standards to specify the concept of temporary for the purposes of paragraph 1 and the conditions according to which a competent authority may deem those temporary holdings to be for the purposes of a financial assistance operation designed to reorganise and save a relevant entity.

EBA shall submit those draft regulatory technical standards to the Commission by 28 July 2013.

Power is delegated to the Commission to adopt the regulatory technical standards referred to in the first subparagraph in accordance with Articles 10 to 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010.

### [<sup>F2</sup>Article 79a

#### Assessment of compliance with the conditions for own funds and eligible liabilities instruments

Institutions shall have regard to the substantial features of instruments and not only their legal form when assessing compliance with the requirements laid down in Part Two. The assessment of the substantial features of an instrument shall take into account all arrangements related to the instruments, even where those are not explicitly set out in the terms and conditions of the instruments themselves, for the purpose of determining that the combined economic effects of such arrangements are compliant with the objective of the relevant provisions.]

#### Textual Amendments

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## Article 80

### [<sup>F1</sup>Continuing review of the quality of own funds and eligible liabilities instruments]

[<sup>F1</sup> EBA shall monitor the quality of own funds and eligible liabilities instruments issued by institutions across the Union and shall notify the Commission immediately where there is

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significant evidence that those instruments do not meet the respective eligibility criteria set out in this Regulation.

Competent authorities shall, without delay and upon request by EBA, forward all information to EBA that EBA considers relevant concerning new capital instruments or new types of liabilities issued in order to enable EBA to monitor the quality of own funds and eligible liabilities instruments issued by institutions across the Union.]

2 A notification shall include the following:

- a a detailed explanation of the nature and extent of the shortfall identified;
- b technical advice on the action by the Commission that EBA considers to be necessary;
- c significant developments in the methodology of EBA for stress testing the solvency of institutions.

[<sup>F13</sup> EBA shall provide technical advice to the Commission on any significant changes it considers to be required to the definition of own funds and eligible liabilities as a result of any of the following:]

- a relevant developments in market standards or practice;
- b changes in relevant legal or accounting standards;
- c significant developments in the methodology of EBA for stress testing the solvency of institutions.

4 EBA shall provide technical advice to the Commission by 1 January 2014 on possible treatments of unrealised gains measured at fair value other than including them in Common Equity Tier 1 without adjustment. Such recommendations shall take into account relevant developments in international accounting standards and in international agreements on prudential standards for banks.

## TITLE II

### MINORITY INTEREST AND ADDITIONAL TIER 1 AND TIER 2 INSTRUMENTS ISSUED BY SUBSIDIARIES

#### Article 81

#### Minority interests that qualify for inclusion in consolidated Common Equity Tier 1 capital

[<sup>F11</sup> Minority interests shall comprise the sum of Common Equity Tier 1 items of a subsidiary where the following conditions are met:

- a the subsidiary is one of the following:
  - (i) an institution;
  - (ii) an undertaking that is subject by virtue of applicable national law to the requirements of this Regulation and Directive 2013/36/EU;
  - (iii) an intermediate financial holding company in a third country that is subject to prudential requirements as stringent as those applied to credit institutions of that third country and where the Commission has decided in accordance with Article 107(4) that those prudential requirements are at least equivalent to those of this Regulation;

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- b the subsidiary is included fully in the consolidation pursuant to Chapter 2 of Title II of Part One;
- c the Common Equity Tier 1 items, referred to in the introductory part of this paragraph, are owned by persons other than the undertakings included in the consolidation pursuant to Chapter 2 of Title II of Part One.]

2 Minority interests that are funded directly or indirectly, through a special purpose entity or otherwise, by the parent undertaking of the institution, or its subsidiaries shall not qualify as consolidated Common Equity Tier 1 capital.

### *[<sup>F1</sup> Article 82*

#### **Qualifying Additional Tier 1, Tier 1, Tier 2 capital and qualifying own funds**

Qualifying Additional Tier 1, Tier 1, Tier 2 capital and qualifying own funds shall comprise the minority interest, Additional Tier 1 or Tier 2 instruments, as applicable, plus the related retained earnings and share premium accounts, of a subsidiary where the following conditions are met:

- (a) the subsidiary is either of the following:
  - (i) an institution;
  - (ii) an undertaking that is subject by virtue of the applicable national law to the requirements of this Regulation and Directive 2013/36/EU;
  - (iii) an intermediate financial holding company in a third country that is subject to prudential requirements as stringent as those applied to credit institutions of that third country and where the Commission has decided in accordance with Article 107(4) that those prudential requirements are at least equivalent to those of this Regulation;
- (b) the subsidiary is included fully in the scope of consolidation pursuant to Chapter 2 of Title II of Part One;
- (c) those instruments are owned by persons other than the undertakings included in the consolidation pursuant to Chapter 2 of Title II of Part One.]

### *Article 83*

#### **Qualifying Additional Tier 1 and Tier 2 capital issued by a special purpose entity**

[<sup>F1</sup> Additional Tier 1 and Tier 2 instruments issued by a special purpose entity, and the related share premium accounts, are included until 31 December 2021 in qualifying Additional Tier 1, Tier 1 or Tier 2 capital or qualifying own funds, as applicable, only where the following conditions are met:]

- a the special purpose entity issuing those instruments is included fully in the consolidation pursuant to Chapter 2 of Title II of Part One;
- b the instruments, and the related share premium accounts, are included in qualifying Additional Tier 1 capital only where the conditions laid down in Article 52(1) are satisfied;
- c the instruments, and the related share premium accounts, are included in qualifying Tier 2 capital only where the conditions laid down in Article 63 are satisfied;

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- d the only asset of the special purpose entity is its investment in the own funds of the parent undertaking or a subsidiary thereof that is included fully in the consolidation pursuant to Chapter 2 of Title II of Part One, the form of which satisfies the relevant conditions laid down in Articles 52(1) or 63, as applicable.

Where the competent authority considers the assets of a special purpose entity other than its investment in the own funds of the parent undertaking or a subsidiary thereof that is included in the scope of consolidation pursuant to Chapter 2 of Title II of Part One, to be minimal and insignificant for such an entity, the competent authority may waive the condition specified in point (d) of the first subparagraph.

2 EBA shall develop draft regulatory technical standards to specify the types of assets that can relate to the operation of special purpose entities and the concepts of minimal and insignificant referred to in the second subparagraph of paragraph 1.

EBA shall submit those draft regulatory technical standards to the Commission by 28 July 2013.

Power is delegated to the Commission to adopt the regulatory technical standards referred to in the first subparagraph in accordance with Articles 10 to 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010.

#### Article 84

##### **Minority interests included in consolidated Common Equity Tier 1 capital**

1 Institutions shall determine the amount of minority interests of a subsidiary that is included in consolidated Common Equity Tier 1 capital by subtracting from the minority interests of that undertaking the result of multiplying the amount referred to in point (a) by the percentage referred to in point (b):

- a the Common Equity Tier 1 capital of the subsidiary minus the lower of the following:
  - (i) the amount of Common Equity Tier 1 capital of that subsidiary required to meet the sum of the requirement laid down in point (a) of Article 92(1), the requirements referred to in Articles 458 and 459, the specific own funds requirements referred to in Article 104 of Directive 2013/36/EU the combined buffer requirement defined in point (6) of Article 128 of Directive 2013/36/EU, the requirements referred to in Article 500 and any additional local supervisory regulations in third countries insofar as those requirements are to be met by Common Equity Tier 1 capital;
  - (ii) the amount of consolidated Common Equity Tier 1 capital that relates to that subsidiary that is required on a consolidated basis to meet the sum of the requirement laid down in point (a) of Article 92(1), the requirements referred to in Articles 458 and 459, the specific own funds requirements referred to in Article 104 of Directive 2013/36/EU, the combined buffer requirement defined in point (6) of Article 128 of Directive 2013/36/EU, the requirements referred to in Article 500 and any additional local supervisory regulations in third countries insofar as those requirements are to be met by Common Equity Tier 1 capital.
- b the minority interests of the subsidiary expressed as a percentage of all Common Equity Tier 1 instruments of that undertaking plus the related share premium accounts, retained earnings and other reserves.

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2 The calculation referred to in paragraph 1 shall be undertaken on a sub-consolidated basis for each subsidiary referred to in Article 81(1).

An institution may choose not to undertake this calculation for a subsidiary referred to in Article 81(1). Where an institution takes such a decision, the minority interest of that subsidiary may not be included in consolidated Common Equity Tier 1 capital.

3 Where a competent authority derogates from the application of prudential requirements on an individual basis, as laid down in Article 7, minority interest within the subsidiaries to which the waiver is applied shall not be recognised in own funds at the sub-consolidated or at the consolidated level, as applicable.

4 EBA shall develop draft regulatory technical standards to specify the sub-consolidation calculation required in accordance with paragraph 2 of this Article, Articles 85 and 87.

EBA shall submit those draft regulatory technical standards to the Commission by 28 July 2013.

Power is delegated to the Commission to adopt the regulatory technical standards referred to in the first subparagraph in accordance with Articles 10 to 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010.

5 Competent authorities may grant a waiver from the application of this Article to a parent financial holding company that satisfies all the following conditions:

- a its principal activity is to acquire holdings;
- b it is subject to prudential supervision on a consolidated basis;
- c it consolidates a subsidiary institution in which it has only a minority holding by virtue of the control relationship defined in Article 1 of Directive 83/349/EEC;
- d more than 90 % of the consolidated required Common Equity Tier 1 capital arises from the subsidiary institution referred to in point c) calculated on a sub-consolidated basis.

Where, after 28 June 2013, a parent financial holding company that meets the conditions laid down in the first subparagraph becomes a parent mixed financial holding company, competent authorities may grant the waiver referred to in the first subparagraph to that parent mixed financial holding company provided that it meets the conditions laid down in that subparagraph.

6 Where credit institutions permanently affiliated in a network to a central body and institutions established within an institutional protection scheme subject to the conditions laid down in Article 113(7) have set up a cross-guarantee scheme that provides that there is no current or foreseen material, practical or legal impediment to the transfer of the amount of own funds above the regulatory requirements from the counterparty to the credit institution, these institutions are exempted from the provisions of this Article regarding deductions and may recognise any minority interest arising within the cross-guarantee scheme in full.

## Article 85

### Qualifying Tier 1 instruments included in consolidated Tier 1 capital

1 Institutions shall determine the amount of qualifying Tier 1 capital of a subsidiary that is included in consolidated own funds by subtracting from the qualifying Tier 1 capital of that undertaking the result of multiplying the amount referred to in point (a) by the percentage referred to in point (b):

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- a the Tier 1 capital of the subsidiary minus the lower of the following:
  - (i) the amount of Tier 1 capital of the subsidiary required to meet the sum of the requirement laid down in point (b) of Article 92(1), the requirements referred to in Articles 458 and 459, the specific own funds requirements referred to in Article 104 of Directive 2013/36/EU, the combined buffer requirement defined in point (6) of Article 128 of Directive 2013/36/EU, the requirements referred to in Article 500 and any additional local supervisory regulations in third countries insofar as those requirements are to be met by Tier 1 Capital;
  - (ii) the amount of consolidated Tier 1 capital that relates to the subsidiary that is required on a consolidated basis to meet the sum of the requirement laid down in point (b) of Article 92(1), the requirements referred to in Articles 458 and 459, the specific own funds requirements referred to in Article 104 of Directive 2013/36/EU, the combined buffer requirement defined in point (6) of Article 128 of Directive 2013/36/EU, the requirements referred to in Article 500 and any additional local supervisory regulations in third countries insofar as those requirements are to be met by Tier 1 Capital;
- b the qualifying Tier 1 capital of the subsidiary expressed as a percentage of all Tier 1 instruments of that undertaking plus the related share premium accounts, retained earnings and other reserves.

2 The calculation referred to in paragraph 1 shall be undertaken on a sub-consolidated basis for each subsidiary referred to in Article 81(1).

An institution may choose not to undertake this calculation for a subsidiary referred to in Article 81(1). Where an institution takes such a decision, the qualifying Tier 1 capital of that subsidiary may not be included in consolidated Tier 1 capital.

3 Where a competent authority derogates from the application of prudential requirements on an individual basis, as laid down in Article 7, Tier 1 instruments within the subsidiaries to which the waiver is applied shall not be recognised as own funds at the sub-consolidated or at the consolidated level, as applicable.

#### *Article 86*

### **Qualifying Tier 1 capital included in consolidated Additional Tier 1 capital**

Without prejudice to Article 84 (5) or (6), institutions shall determine the amount of qualifying Tier 1 capital of a subsidiary that is included in consolidated Additional Tier 1 capital by subtracting from the qualifying Tier 1 capital of that undertaking included in consolidated Tier 1 capital the minority interests of that undertaking that are included in consolidated Common Equity Tier 1 capital.

#### *Article 87*

### **Qualifying own funds included in consolidated own funds**

1 Institutions shall determine the amount of qualifying own funds of a subsidiary that is included in consolidated own funds by subtracting from the qualifying own funds of that undertaking the result of multiplying the amount referred to in point (a) by the percentage referred to in point (b):

- a the own funds of the subsidiary minus the lower of the following:



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- (i) the amount of own funds of the subsidiary required to meet the sum of the requirement laid down in point (c) of Article 92(1), the requirements referred to in Articles 458 and 459, the specific own funds requirements referred to in Article 104 of Directive 2013/36/EU, the combined buffer requirement defined in point (6) of Article 128 of Directive 2013/36/EU, the requirements referred to in Article 500 and any additional local supervisory regulations in third countries;
  - (ii) the amount of own funds that relates to the subsidiary that is required on a consolidated basis to meet the sum of the requirement laid down in point (c) of Article 92(1), the requirements referred to in Articles 458 and 459, the specific own funds requirements referred to in Article 104 of Directive 2013/36/EU, the combined buffer requirement defined in point (6) of Article 128 of Directive 2013/36/EU, the requirements referred to in Article 500 and any additional local supervisory own funds requirement in third countries;
- b the qualifying own funds of the undertaking, expressed as a percentage of all own funds instruments of the subsidiary that are included in Common Equity Tier 1, Additional Tier 1 and Tier 2 items and the related share premium accounts, the retained earnings and other reserves.

2 The calculation referred to in paragraph 1 shall be undertaken on a sub-consolidated basis for each subsidiary referred to in Article 81(1).

An institution may choose not to undertake this calculation for a subsidiary referred to in Article 81(1). Where an institution takes such a decision, the qualifying own funds of that subsidiary may not be included in consolidated own funds.

3 Where a competent authority derogates from the application of prudential requirements on an individual basis, as laid down in Article 7, own funds instruments within the subsidiaries to which the waiver is applied shall not be recognised as own funds at the sub-consolidated or at the consolidated level, as applicable.

#### *Article 88*

#### **Qualifying own funds instruments included in consolidated Tier 2 capital**

Without prejudice to Article 84(5) or (6), institutions shall determine the amount of qualifying own funds of a subsidiary that is included in consolidated Tier 2 capital by subtracting from the qualifying own funds of that undertaking that are included in consolidated own funds the qualifying Tier 1 capital of that undertaking that is included in consolidated Tier 1 capital.

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## TITLE III

### QUALIFYING HOLDINGS OUTSIDE THE FINANCIAL SECTOR

#### Article 89

##### **Risk weighting and prohibition of qualifying holdings outside the financial sector**

1 A qualifying holding, the amount of which exceeds 15 % of the eligible capital of the institution, in an undertaking which is not one of the following shall be subject to the provisions laid down in paragraph 3:

- a a financial sector entity;
- b an undertaking, that is not a financial sector entity, carrying on activities which the competent authority considers to be any of the following:
  - (i) a direct extension of banking;
  - (ii) ancillary to banking;
  - (iii) leasing, factoring, the management of unit trusts, the management of data processing services or any other similar activity.

2 The total amount of the qualifying holdings of an institution in undertakings other than those referred to in points (a) and (b) of paragraph 1 that exceeds 60 % of its eligible capital shall be subject to the provisions laid down in paragraph 3.

3 Competent authorities shall apply the requirements laid down in point (a) or (b) to qualifying holdings of institutions referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2:

- a for the purpose of calculating the capital requirement in accordance with Part Three, institutions shall apply a risk weight of 1 250 % to the greater of the following:
  - (i) the amount of qualifying holdings referred to in paragraph 1 in excess of 15 % of eligible capital;
  - (ii) the total amount of qualifying holdings referred to in paragraph 2 that exceed 60 % of the eligible capital of the institution;
- b the competent authorities shall prohibit institutions from having qualifying holdings referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 the amount of which exceeds the percentages of eligible capital laid down in those paragraphs.

Competent authorities shall publish their choice of (a) or (b).

4 For the purposes of point (b) of paragraph 1, EBA shall issue guidelines specifying the following concepts:

- a activities that are a direct extension of banking;
- b activities ancillary to banking;
- c similar activities.

Those guidelines shall be adopted in accordance with Article 16 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010.

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## Article 90

### Alternative to 1 250 % risk weight

As an alternative to applying a 1 250 % risk weight to the amounts in excess of the limits specified in Article 89(1) and (2), institutions may deduct those amounts from Common Equity Tier 1 items in accordance with point (k) of Article 36(1).

## Article 91

### Exceptions

1 Shares of undertakings not referred to in points (a) and (b) of Article 89(1) shall not be included in calculating the eligible capital limits specified in that Article where any of the following conditions is met:

- a those shares are held temporarily during a financial assistance operation as referred to in Article 79;
- b the holding of those shares is an underwriting position held for five working days or fewer;
- c those shares are held in the own name of the institution and on behalf of others.

2 Shares which are not financial fixed assets as referred to in Article 35(2) of Directive 86/635/EEC shall not be included in the calculation specified in Article 89.]

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- (1) [<sup>X1</sup>OJ L 331, 15.12.2010, p. 48.]
- (2) [<sup>X1</sup>OJ L 331, 15.12.2010, p. 84.]
- (3) [<sup>X1</sup>]<sup>F2</sup>Directive 2014/49/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 on deposit guarantee schemes (OJ L 173, 12.6.2014, p. 149).]]
- (4) [<sup>X1</sup>]<sup>F2</sup>Directive 98/26/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 May 1998 on settlement finality in payment and securities settlement systems (OJ L 166, 11.6.1998, p. 45).]]

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