

Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/35 of 10 October 2014  
supplementing Directive 2009/138/EC of the European Parliament  
and of the Council on the taking-up and pursuit of the business of  
Insurance and Reinsurance (Solvency II) (Text with EEA relevance)

TITLE I

[<sup>X1</sup>VALUATION AND RISK-BASED CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS  
(PILLAR I), ENHANCED GOVERNANCE (PILLAR II)  
AND INCREASED TRANSPARENCY (PILLAR III)]

CHAPTER V

SOLVENCY CAPITAL REQUIREMENT STANDARD FORMULA

SECTION 9

*Adjustment for the loss-absorbing capacity of technical provisions and deferred taxes*

*Article 207*

**Adjustment for the loss-absorbing capacity of deferred taxes**

1 The adjustment for the loss-absorbing capacity of deferred taxes shall be equal to the change in the value of deferred taxes of insurance and reinsurance undertakings that would result from an instantaneous loss of an amount that is equal to the sum of the following:

- a the Basic Solvency Capital Requirement referred to in Article 103(a) of Directive 2009/138/EC;
- b the adjustment for the loss-absorbing capacity of technical provisions referred to in Article 206 of this Regulation;
- c the capital requirement for operational risk referred to in Article 103(b) of Directive 2009/138/EC.

[<sup>F12</sup> For the purposes of paragraph 1, deferred taxes shall be valued in accordance with Article 15(1) and (2), without prejudice to paragraphs 2a, 2b and 2c of this Article.]

[<sup>F22a</sup> Where the loss referred to in paragraph 1 would result in an increase in the amount of deferred tax assets, insurance and reinsurance undertakings shall not utilise that increase for the purposes of the adjustment referred to in that paragraph unless they are able to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the supervisory authority that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which that increase can be utilised, taking into account all of the following:

- a any legal or regulatory requirements on the time limits relating to the carry-forward of unused tax losses or the carry-forward of unused tax credits;
- b the magnitude of the loss referred to in paragraph 1 and its impact on the undertaking's current and future financial situation and on insurance product pricing, market profitability, insurance demand, reinsurance coverage and other macro-economic variables;

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- c the increased uncertainty in future profit following the loss referred to in paragraph 1, as well as the increasing degree of uncertainty relating to future taxable profit following that loss, as the projection horizon becomes longer.

2b For the purposes of demonstrating that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available, insurance and reinsurance undertakings shall not apply assumptions that are more favourable than those used for the valuation and utilisation of deferred tax assets in accordance with Article 15.

2c For the purposes of demonstrating that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available, the assumptions applied by insurance and reinsurance undertakings shall meet the following conditions:

- a new business sales in excess of those projected for the purposes of the insurance or reinsurance undertaking's business planning shall not be assumed;
- b new business sales beyond the horizon of the insurance or reinsurance undertaking's business planning and beyond a maximum of five years shall not be assumed;
- c the rates of return on the insurance or reinsurance undertaking's investments following the loss referred to in paragraph 1 shall be assumed to be equal to the implicit returns of the forward rates derived from the relevant risk-free interest rate term structure obtained after that loss, unless the insurance or reinsurance undertaking is able to provide credible evidence of likely returns in excess of those implicit returns;
- d where, without prejudice to point (a), the insurance or reinsurance undertaking sets a projection horizon for profits from new business that is longer than the horizon of its business planning, a finite projection horizon shall be set and appropriate haircuts shall be applied to the profits from new business projected beyond the horizon of the undertaking's business planning. Such haircuts shall be assumed to increase the further into the future the profits are projected.

2d Insurance and reinsurance undertakings may assume the implementation of future management actions following the loss referred to in paragraph 1, provided that the provisions laid down in Article 23 are complied with.]

3 For the purposes of paragraph 1, a decrease in deferred tax liabilities or an increase in deferred tax assets shall result in a negative adjustment for the loss-absorbing capacity of deferred taxes.

4 Where the calculation of the adjustment in accordance with paragraph 1 results in a positive change of deferred taxes, the adjustment shall be nil.

5 Where it is necessary to allocate the loss referred to in paragraph 1 to its causes in order to calculate the adjustment for the loss-absorbing capacity of deferred taxes, insurance and reinsurance undertakings shall allocate the loss to the risks that are captured by the Basic Solvency Capital Requirement and the capital requirement for operational risk. The allocation shall be consistent with the contribution of the modules and sub-modules of the standard formula to the Basic Solvency Capital Requirement. Where an insurance or reinsurance undertaking uses a partial internal model where the adjustment to the loss-absorbing capacity of technical provisions and deferred taxes are not within the scope of the model, the allocation shall be consistent with the contribution of the modules and sub-modules of the standard formula which are outside of the scope of the model to the Basic Solvency Capital Requirement.

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Substituted by [Commission Delegated Regulation \(EU\) 2019/981 of 8 March 2019 amending Delegated Regulation \(EU\) 2015/35 supplementing Directive 2009/138/EC of the European](#)

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Parliament and of the Council on the taking-up and pursuit of the business of Insurance and Reinsurance (Solvency II) (Text with EEA relevance).

- F2** Inserted by Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/981 of 8 March 2019 amending Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/35 supplementing Directive 2009/138/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the taking-up and pursuit of the business of Insurance and Reinsurance (Solvency II) (Text with EEA relevance).

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### Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- [Recital 53 Sentence 1 replacement by EUR 2016/2283 Regulation](#)

### Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole legislation item and associated provisions

- [Art. 1\(18a\) words substituted by S.I. 2024/705 Sch. 2 para. 27\(a\)](#)
- [Art. 1\(18b\)\(a\) substituted by S.I. 2024/705 Sch. 2 para. 27\(b\)\(i\)](#)
- [Art. 1\(18b\)\(a\) word omitted by S.I. 2024/705 Sch. 2 para. 27\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
- [Art. 1\(18b\)\(c\) and word inserted by S.I. 2024/705 Sch. 2 para. 27\(b\)\(iii\)](#)
- [Art. 1\(19\) words substituted by S.I. 2024/705 Sch. 2 para. 27\(c\)](#)
- [Art. 1\(20\) words substituted by S.I. 2024/705 Sch. 2 para. 27\(d\)](#)
- [Art. 1\(21\) words substituted by S.I. 2024/705 Sch. 2 para. 27\(e\)](#)
- [Art. 1\(22\) words substituted by S.I. 2024/705 Sch. 2 para. 27\(f\)](#)
- [Art. 1\(23\) words substituted by S.I. 2024/705 Sch. 2 para. 27\(g\)](#)
- [Art. 177\(2\)\(b\) words omitted by S.I. 2019/407 reg. 11\(25\)\(a\) \(This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 11\(25\)\(39\) omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2019/710, regs. 1\(2\), 22\)](#)
- [Art. 177\(2\)\(h\)\(i\) words omitted by S.I. 2019/407 reg. 11\(25\)\(b\)\(ii\) \(This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 11\(25\)\(39\) omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2019/710, regs. 1\(2\), 22\)](#)
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- [Art. 177\(5\)\(a\) words substituted by S.I. 2019/407 reg. 11\(25\)\(f\) \(This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 11\(25\)\(39\) omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2019/710, regs. 1\(2\), 22\)](#)
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- [Art. 257\(1A\) inserted by S.I. 2024/705 Sch. 2 para. 28\(3\)](#)
- [Art. 257\(6\) inserted by S.I. 2024/705 Sch. 2 para. 28\(7\)](#)