

Regulation (EU) 2015/847 of the European Parliament and of the Council  
of 20 May 2015 on information accompanying transfers of funds and  
repealing Regulation (EC) No 1781/2006 (Text with EEA relevance)

CHAPTER II

**OBLIGATIONS ON PAYMENT SERVICE PROVIDERS**

*SECTION 1*

*Obligations on the payment service provider of the payer*

*Article 4*

**Information accompanying transfers of funds**

- 1 The payment service provider of the payer shall ensure that transfers of funds are accompanied by the following information on the payer:
  - a the name of the payer;
  - b the payer's payment account number; and
  - c the payer's address, official personal document number, customer identification number or date and place of birth.
- 2 The payment service provider of the payer shall ensure that transfers of funds are accompanied by the following information on the payee:
  - a the name of the payee; and
  - b the payee's payment account number.
- 3 By way of derogation from point (b) of paragraph 1 and point (b) of paragraph 2, in the case of a transfer not made from or to a payment account, the payment service provider of the payer shall ensure that the transfer of funds is accompanied by a unique transaction identifier rather than the payment account number(s).
- 4 Before transferring funds, the payment service provider of the payer shall verify the accuracy of the information referred to in paragraph 1 on the basis of documents, data or information obtained from a reliable and independent source.
- 5 Verification as referred to in paragraph 4 shall be deemed to have taken place where:
  - a a payer's identity has been verified in accordance with [F<sup>1</sup>regulation 28 of the 2017 Regulations] and the information obtained pursuant to that verification has been stored in accordance with [F<sup>2</sup>regulation 40 of those Regulations]; or
  - b [F<sup>3</sup>regulation 27(8) of the 2017 Regulations] applies to the payer.
- 6 Without prejudice to the derogations provided for in Articles 5 and 6, the payment service provider of the payer shall not execute any transfer of funds before ensuring full compliance with this Article.

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### Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in Art. 4(5) substituted (31.12.2020) by [The Money Laundering and Transfer of Funds \(Information\) \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019](#) (S.I. 2019/253), regs. 1(2), **16(1)(a)** (with savings in S.I. 2019/680, reg. 11); 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)
- F2** Words in Art. 4(5) substituted (31.12.2020) by [The Money Laundering and Transfer of Funds \(Information\) \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019](#) (S.I. 2019/253), regs. 1(2), **16(1)(b)** (with savings in S.I. 2019/680, reg. 11); 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)
- F3** Words in Art. 4(5) substituted (31.12.2020) by [The Money Laundering and Transfer of Funds \(Information\) \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019](#) (S.I. 2019/253), regs. 1(2), **16(1)(c)** (with savings in S.I. 2019/680, reg. 11); 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

## Article 5

### Transfers of funds within the Union

1 By way of derogation from Article 4(1) and (2), where all payment service providers involved in the payment chain are established in the [<sup>F4</sup>United Kingdom or Gibraltar], transfers of funds shall be accompanied by at least the payment account number of both the payer and the payee or, where Article 4(3) applies, the unique transaction identifier, without prejudice to the information requirements laid down in Regulation (EU) No 260/2012, where applicable.

2 Notwithstanding paragraph 1, the payment service provider of the payer shall, within three working days of receiving a request for information from the payment service provider of the payee or from the intermediary payment service provider, make available the following:

- a for transfers of funds exceeding EUR 1 000, whether those transfers are carried out in a single transaction or in several transactions which appear to be linked, the information on the payer or the payee in accordance with Article 4;
- b for transfers of funds not exceeding EUR 1 000 that do not appear to be linked to other transfers of funds which, together with the transfer in question, exceed EUR 1 000, at least:
  - (i) the names of the payer and of the payee; and
  - (ii) the payment account numbers of the payer and of the payee or, where Article 4(3) applies, the unique transaction identifier.

3 By way of derogation from Article 4(4), in the case of transfers of funds referred to in paragraph 2(b) of this Article, the payment service provider of the payer need not verify the information on the payer unless the payment service provider of the payer:

- a has received the funds to be transferred in cash or in anonymous electronic money; or
- b has reasonable grounds for suspecting money laundering or terrorist financing.

### Textual Amendments

- F4** Words in Art. 5(1) substituted (31.12.2020) by [The Money Laundering and Transfer of Funds \(Information\) \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019](#) (S.I. 2019/253), regs. 1(2), **16(2)** (with savings in S.I. 2019/680, reg. 11); 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

## Article 6

### Transfers of funds to outside the Union

1 In the case of a batch file transfer from a single payer where the payment service providers of the payees are established outside the [<sup>F5</sup>United Kingdom or Gibraltar], Article 4(1) shall not apply to the individual transfers bundled together therein, provided that the batch file contains the information referred to in Article 4(1), (2) and (3), that that information has been verified in accordance with Article 4(4) and (5), and that the individual transfers carry the payment account number of the payer or, where Article 4(3) applies, the unique transaction identifier.

2 By way of derogation from Article 4(1), and, where applicable, without prejudice to the information required in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 260/2012, where the payment service provider of the payee is established outside the [<sup>F6</sup>United Kingdom or Gibraltar], transfers of funds not exceeding EUR 1 000 that do not appear to be linked to other transfers of funds which, together with the transfer in question, exceed EUR 1 000, shall be accompanied by at least:

- a the names of the payer and of the payee; and
- b the payment account numbers of the payer and of the payee or, where Article 4(3) applies, the unique transaction identifier.

By way of derogation from Article 4(4), the payment service provider of the payer need not verify the information on the payer referred to in this paragraph unless the payment service provider of the payer:

- a has received the funds to be transferred in cash or in anonymous electronic money; or
- b has reasonable grounds for suspecting money laundering or terrorist financing.

#### Textual Amendments

**F5** Words in Art. 6(1) substituted (31.12.2020) by [The Money Laundering and Transfer of Funds \(Information\) \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019 \(S.I. 2019/253\)](#), regs. 1(2), **16(3)** (with savings in S.I. 2019/680, reg. 11); 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

**F6** Words in Art. 6(2) substituted (31.12.2020) by [The Money Laundering and Transfer of Funds \(Information\) \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019 \(S.I. 2019/253\)](#), regs. 1(2), **16(3)** (with savings in S.I. 2019/680, reg. 11); 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

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