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# Financial Services and Markets Act 2000

# **2000 CHAPTER 8**

# PART III

AUTHORISATION AND EXEMPTION

#### Authorisation

## 31 Authorised persons.

- (1) The following persons are authorised for the purposes of this Act—
  - (a) a person who has a Part IV permission to carry on one or more regulated activities;
  - (b) an EEA firm qualifying for authorisation under Schedule 3;
  - (c) a Treaty firm qualifying for authorisation under Schedule 4;
  - (d) a person who is otherwise authorised by a provision of, or made under, this Act.
- (2) In this Act "authorised person" means a person who is authorised for the purposes of this Act.

## **Commencement Information**

I1 S. 31 wholly in force at 1.12.2001; s. 31 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 431(2); s. 31(1)(b) in force for specified purposes at 25.2.2001 by S.I. 2001/516, art. 2(c), Sch. Pt. 3; s. 31(1)(b) in force for specified purposes at 18.6.2001 by S.I. 2001/1820, art. 2, Sch.; s. 31(1)(c) in force for specified purposes at 3.9.2001 by S.I. 2001/2632, art. 2(2), Sch. Pt. 2; s. 31 in force in so far as not already in force at 1.12.2001 by S.I. 2001/3538, art. 2(1)

## 32 Partnerships and unincorporated associations.

(1) If a firm is authorised—

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- (a) it is authorised to carry on the regulated activities concerned in the name of the firm; and
- (b) its authorisation is not affected by any change in its membership.
- (2) If an authorised firm is dissolved, its authorisation continues to have effect in relation to any [<sup>F1</sup>individual or] firm which succeeds to the business of the dissolved firm.
- [<sup>F2</sup>(3) For the purposes of this section, an individual or firm is to be regarded as succeeding to the business of a dissolved firm only if succession is to the whole or substantially the whole of the business of the former firm.]
  - (4) "Firm" means—
    - (a) a partnership; or
    - (b) an unincorporated association of persons.
  - (5) "Partnership" does not include a partnership which is constituted under the law of any place outside the United Kingdom and is a body corporate.

#### **Textual Amendments**

- **F1** Words in s. 32(2) inserted (12.7.2007) by The Regulatory Reform (Financial Services and Markets Act 2000) Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/1973), **art. 3(a)**
- F2 S. 32(3) substituted (12.7.2007) by The Regulatory Reform (Financial Services and Markets Act 2000) Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/1973), art. 3(b)

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