



Financial Services and Markets Act 2000

2000 CHAPTER 8

PART V

PERFORMANCE OF REGULATED ACTIVITIES

[^{F1}Performance of controlled functions without approval

[^{F1}63A Power to impose penalties

- (1) If the [^{F2}appropriate regulator] is satisfied that—
 - (a) a person (“P”) has at any time performed a controlled function without approval, and
 - (b) at that time P knew, or could reasonably be expected to have known, that P was performing a controlled function without approval,it may impose a penalty on P of such amount as it considers appropriate.
- (2) For the purposes of this section P performs a controlled function without approval at any time if at that time—
 - (a) P performs a controlled function under an arrangement entered into by an authorised person (“A”), or by a contractor of A, in relation to the carrying on by A of a regulated activity; and
 - [^{F3}(b) P, when performing the function, is not acting in accordance with an approval given under section 59.]
- (3) The [^{F2}appropriate regulator] may not impose a penalty under this section after the end of the limitation period unless, before the end of that period, it has given a warning notice to the person concerned under section 63B(1).
- (4) “The limitation period” means the [^{F4}relevant period] beginning with the first day on which the [^{F2}appropriate regulator] knew that the person concerned had performed a controlled function without approval.

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(5) For this purpose the [^{F2}appropriate regulator] is to be treated as knowing that a person has performed a controlled function without approval if it has information from which that can reasonably be inferred.

[The appropriate regulator” —

- ^{F5}(5A) (a) in relation to a controlled function which is of a description specified in rules made by the FCA, means the FCA, and
(b) in relation to a controlled function which is of a description specified in rules made by the PRA, means the PRA.]

[The relevant period” is—

- ^{F6}(5B) (a) in relation to the performance of a controlled function without approval before the day on which this subsection comes into force, the period of 3 years, and
(b) in relation to the performance of a controlled function without approval on or after that day, the period of 6 years.]

(6) Any [^{F7}other] expression which is used both in this section and section 59 has the same meaning in this section as in that section.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Ss. 63A-63D and preceding cross-heading inserted (8.6.2010) by [Financial Services Act 2010 \(c. 28\)](#), [ss. 11, 26\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- F2** Words in s. 63A substituted (1.4.2013) by [Financial Services Act 2012 \(c. 21\)](#), s. 122(3), [Sch. 5 para. 8\(a\)](#) (with [Sch. 20](#)); S.I. 2013/423, art. 3, Sch.
- F3** S. 63A(2)(b) substituted (7.3.2016) by [Financial Services \(Banking Reform\) Act 2013 \(c. 33\)](#), s. 148(5), [Sch. 3 para. 4](#); S.I. 2015/490, art. 2(1)(b) (with savings and transitional provisions in S.I. 2015/492 (as amended by S.I. 2015/1660))
- F4** Words in s. 63A(4) substituted (25.7.2014) by [Financial Services \(Banking Reform\) Act 2013 \(c. 33\)](#), [ss. 28\(2\)](#), 148(5); S.I. 2014/1819, art. 2(1)(c)
- F5** S. 63A(5A) inserted (1.4.2013) by [Financial Services Act 2012 \(c. 21\)](#), s. 122(3), [Sch. 5 para. 8\(b\)](#) (with [Sch. 20](#)); S.I. 2013/423, art. 3, Sch.
- F6** S. 63A(5B) inserted (25.7.2014) by [Financial Services \(Banking Reform\) Act 2013 \(c. 33\)](#), [ss. 28\(3\)](#), 148(5); S.I. 2014/1819, art. 2(1)(c)
- F7** Word in s. 63A(6) inserted (1.4.2013) by [Financial Services Act 2012 \(c. 21\)](#), s. 122(3), [Sch. 5 para. 8\(c\)](#) (with [Sch. 20](#)); S.I. 2013/423, art. 3, Sch.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Ss. 63A-63C applied (with modifications) (1.4.2013) by [The Financial Services Act 2012 \(Transitional Provisions\) \(Enforcement\) Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/441\)](#), arts. 1(1), [2\(2\)](#)
- C2** S. 63A(4) applied (with modifications) (1.4.2013) by [The Financial Services Act 2012 \(Transitional Provisions\) \(Enforcement\) Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/441\)](#), arts. 1(1), [2\(3\)](#)
- C3** S. 63A(5) applied (with modifications) (1.4.2013) by [The Financial Services Act 2012 \(Transitional Provisions\) \(Enforcement\) Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/441\)](#), arts. 1(1), [2\(4\)](#)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

- Act power to apply conferred (temp. until 15.5.2039) by [2014 c. 21 s. 79\(4\)](#)
- Act power to apply conferred (temp. until 15.5.2039) by [2014 c. 21 s. 81\(10\)](#)

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- Pt. 17 Ch. 3B inserted by [2023 c. 29 s. 64\(3\)](#)
- Pt. 20C inserted by [2016 c. 14 s. 30\(3\)](#)
- s. 31(1)(aa) inserted by [2021 c. 22 s. 22\(2\)](#)
- s. 32A inserted by [2021 c. 22 s. 22\(3\)](#)
- s. 32A power to apply (with modifications) conferred by [2021 c. 22 s. 23\(10\)](#)
- s. 36A and cross-heading inserted by [2021 c. 22 s. 22\(4\)](#)
- s. 71J and cross-heading inserted by [2021 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 4](#)
- s. 86(9A) inserted by [S.I. 2019/707 reg. 8\(9\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 8(6)-(10) omitted (6.9.2019) by virtue of S.I. 2019/1234, regs. 1(2), 13(c))
- s. 87A(11) inserted by [S.I. 2019/707 reg. 10\(5\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 10(4)(5) omitted (6.9.2019) by virtue of S.I. 2019/1234, regs. 1(2), 15(b))
- s. 124(10)(c)(i) word omitted by [S.I. 2019/310 reg. 5\(11\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 5(11)(b) omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1385, regs. 1(4), 51(2)(e))
- s. 129(7)(a) word inserted by [S.I. 2019/310 reg. 5\(12\)\(a\)\(i\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 5(12)(a)(b) omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1385, regs. 1(4), 51(2)(f))
- s. 129(7)(c) omitted and word by [S.I. 2019/310 reg. 5\(12\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 5(12)(a)(b) omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1385, regs. 1(4), 51(2)(f))
- s. 204A(3)(fa) inserted by [S.I. 2024/705 Sch. 2 para. 1](#)
- s. 214(5A) inserted by [2021 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 8](#)
- s. 261E(A1) inserted by [2023 c. 29 s. 64\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 367A inserted by [2021 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 10](#)
- s. 395(13)(h)(i) inserted by [2021 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 12\(2\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 395(13)(bc)-(be) word inserted by [2021 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 12\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 395(14) inserted by [2021 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 12\(3\)](#)
- s. 427A(3) words substituted by [2002 c. 40 Sch. 17 para. 59](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. The Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 does not contain a section 427A.)
- Sch. 1ZA para. 32(c) and word inserted by [2021 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 18](#)
- Sch. 2A para. 19(2)(b)(iia) inserted by [2023 c. 29 Sch. 10 para. 19\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 2A2B power to apply (with modifications) conferred by [2021 c. 22 s. 23\(10\)](#)
- Sch. 2A power to apply (with modifications) conferred by [2021 c. 22 s. 23\(10\)](#)
- Sch. 2B inserted by [2021 c. 22 Sch. 7](#)
- Sch. 2B power to apply (with modifications) conferred by [2021 c. 22 s. 23\(10\)](#)
- Sch. 11A para. 5(3) inserted by [S.I. 2019/707 reg. 38\(5\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 38(2)-(5)(7)(8) omitted (6.9.2019) by virtue of S.I. 2019/1234, regs. 1(2), 20)

- Sch. 17A para. 12 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/662 reg. 13\(1\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Reg. 13(1) substituted (25.6.2020) by S.I. 2020/646, regs. 1(2)(c), 11(3))