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#### SCHEDULE 5

Regulation 16(2)

Fees connected with alternative arrangements etc.

## Interpretation

**1.** In this Schedule "participating payment service provider" means a payment service provider that is a party to a switching service that is an alternative arrangement.

## **Application**

**2.** Any duty imposed upon a participating payment service provider by this Schedule only applies in connection with its participation in that switching service.

### Fees connected with the alternative arrangement

- **3.**—(1) At the request of a consumer, a participating payment service provider must provide the consumer free of charge with details of any standing orders and direct debits applicable to the accounts that the consumer holds with it.
- (2) Any fee payable by the consumer applied by a participating payment service provider in respect of the termination of a framework contract for the payment account held with that participating payment service provider must be determined in accordance with [F1 regulation 51] (termination of framework contract) of the Payment Services Regulations.
- (3) Any fee charged to a consumer by a participating payment service provider for any service provided in connection with the switching of a payment account must be—
  - (a) reasonable; and
  - (b) no more than the actual costs to the participating payment service provider of providing the relevant service.

#### **Textual Amendments**

**F1** Words in Sch. 5 para. 3(2) substituted (13.1.2018) by The Payment Services Regulations 2017 (S.I. 2017/752), reg. 1(6), **Sch. 8 para. 25(e)** (with reg. 3)

## **Financial loss for consumers**

- **4.**—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), a participating payment service provider must ensure that any financial loss that the consumer incurs as a direct result of the non-compliance of the participating payment service provider with any requirement provided for in the alternative arrangement must reimburse the consumer the full extent of the loss without delay.
- (2) The duty to reimburse provided for in sub-paragraph (1) does not apply in the case of unavoidable losses arising as a result of—
  - (a) abnormal and unforeseeable circumstances beyond the control of the participating payment service provider; or
  - (b) the participating payment service provider's compliance with any statutory obligation.

## Information about the alternative arrangement

**5.**—(1) A participating payment service provider must make available to consumers the following information about the alternative arrangement—

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- (a) the roles played by participating payment service providers when switching payment accounts;
- (b) the time limits that apply for the completion of any tasks provided for in the alternative arrangement;
- (c) any fees that are to be be charged;
- (d) details of any information that the consumer is required to provide;
- (e) details of the consumer's right to make a complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service.
- (2) The information referred to in sub-paragraph (1) must be made available
  - (a) free of charge on paper or another durable medium at all premises of the participating payment service provider that are accessible to consumers; and
  - (b) in electronic form on the participating payment service provider's website at all times.

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