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#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2019 No. 541

# EXITING THE EUROPEAN UNION FINANCIAL SERVICES

The Equivalence Determinations for Financial Services and Miscellaneous Provisions (Amendment etc) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019

Made - - - - 11th March 2019

Coming into force in accordance with regulation I

<sup>MI</sup>The Treasury, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 8(1) of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018, make the following Regulations:

A draft of these Regulations has been approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament in accordance with paragraph 1(1) of Schedule 7 to the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018.

# Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 Regulations: power to modify conferred (11.7.2023) by Financial Services and Markets Act 2023 (c. 29), ss. 3, 86(3), Sch. 1 Pt. 2; S.I. 2023/779, reg. 2(d)

#### **Marginal Citations**

**M1** 2018 c. 16.

# Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Equivalence Determinations for Financial Services and Miscellaneous Provisions (Amendment etc) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019.
  - (2) Regulations 7 and 8 and Schedule 2 come into force on exit day.
- (3) The other provisions in these Regulations come into force on the day after the day on which these Regulations are made.
  - (4) For the purposes of these Regulations,
  - [FI(za) "CSD" means a legal person that operates a securities settlement system referred to in point (3) of Section A of the Annex of the CSDR and provides at least one other core service listed in Section A of the Annex;

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- (zb) "CSDR" means Regulation (EU) No 909/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 July 2014 on improving securities settlement in the European Union and on central securities depositories and amending Directives 98/26/EC and 2014/65/EU and Regulation (EU) No 236/2012;]
- (a) an "equivalence direction" is a direction made under regulation 2(1);
- (b) an "equivalence determination" is a determination made by regulations made by the Treasury under retained EU law referred to in Schedule 1 [F2, as amended from time to time,] or under regulations made under the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 other than these Regulations;
- (c) an "exemption direction" is a direction made under regulation 3(1);
- (d) an "exemption determination" is a determination made by regulations made by the Treasury under retained EU law or under regulations under the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 referred to in regulation 3;
- (e) "FCA" means the Financial Conduct Authority;
- (f) "PRA" means the Prudential Regulation Authority;
- (g) "EMIR" means Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2012 on OTC derivatives, central counterparties and trade repositories <sup>F3</sup>... ("EMIR");
- (h) "FSMA" means the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 M2;
- [F4(ha) "MiFIR" means Regulation (EU) No 600/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 on markets in financial instruments and amending Regulation (EU) No 648/2012;]
  - (i) "SFTR" means Regulation (EU) 2015/2365 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2015 on transparency of securities financing transactions and of reuse ("SFTR").
- [F5(5)] Any reference in these Regulations to a specific EU Regulation or EU Decision, or part of an EU Regulation or EU Decision, is to that EU Regulation or EU Decision, or that part of the EU Regulation or EU Decision, as it forms part of retained EU law on IP completion day.]
  - F1 Reg. 1(4)(za)(zb) inserted (30.6.2020) by The Financial Services (Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/628), regs. 1(2), 11(2)(a)(i)
  - F2 Words in reg. 1(4)(b) inserted (30.9.2020) by The Equivalence Determinations for Financial Services (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/1055), regs. 1(2), 12(2)
  - F3 Words in reg. 1(4)(g) omitted (31.12.2020 immediately before IP completiton day) by virtue of The Securities Financing Transactions, Securitisation and Miscellaneous Amendments (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/1385), regs. 1(4), 55
  - F4 Reg. 1(4)(ha) inserted (30.6.2020) by The Financial Services (Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/628), regs. 1(2), 11(2)(a)(ii)
  - F5 Reg. 1(5) substituted (30.6.2020) by The Financial Services (Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/628), regs. 1(2), 11(2)(b)

#### **Commencement Information**

II Reg. 1 in force at 12.3.2019, see reg. 1(3)

#### **Marginal Citations**

M2 2000 c.8. Section 348 was amended by paragraph 26 of Schedule 2 to the Financial Services Act 2010 (c.28), paragraph 18 of Schedule 12 to the Financial Services Act 2012 (c.21), paragraph
 5 of Schedule 8 to the Financial Services (Banking Reform) Act 2013 (c.33), paragraph 45(2) of

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Schedule 2 to the Bank of England and Financial Services Act 2016 (c.14) and S.I. 2016/1239. Section 349 was amended by section 964(4) of Companies Act 2006 (c.46), S.I. 2006/1183, S.I. 2007/1093, S.I. 2011/1043, and paragraph 19 of Schedule 12 to the Financial Services Act 2012. Section 350 was amended by paragraph 20 of Schedule 12 to the Financial Services Act 2012. Section 353 was amended by section 61 of the Consumer Credit Act 2006 (c.14), paragraph 23 of Schedule 12 of Financial Services Act 2012, and S.I. 2013/1881.

# **Equivalence directions**

- **2.**—(1) The Treasury may, by direction, in relation to countries which are EEA states, make a determination set out in Schedule 1 for the purposes set out in that Schedule.
- [<sup>F6</sup>(1A) For the purposes of making determinations under paragraph (1), the Treasury may consider (among other things)—
  - (a) sanctions, embargos or similar measures issued by, for example, the European Union or the United Nations; and
  - (b) whether the relevant EEA state is a "high-risk third country" within the meaning of regulation 33(3) of the Money Laundering, Terrorist Financing and Transfer of Funds (Information on the Payer) Regulations 2017.
- (1B) Directions under paragraph (1) may contain such conditions for or limitations on the applicability of an equivalence direction as the Treasury considers appropriate.]
  - (2) A direction given under paragraph (1)—
    - (a) may have effect only on or after [F7IP completion day]; and
  - I<sup>F8</sup>(b) ceases to have effect on the date on which—
    - (i) it is revoked by a direction under paragraph (1) or by any other enactment; or
    - (ii) regulations made by the Treasury, which contain a determination to the same effect, come into force.]
- (3) The Treasury must lay a copy of any equivalence direction given by it under paragraph (1) before Parliament.
- (4) The Treasury must publish any direction given under paragraph (1) in a way appearing to the Treasury to be best calculated to bring it to the attention of the public.
  - (5) No equivalence direction may be given under paragraph (1) after [F9IP completion day].
- (6) The power of the Treasury under paragraph (1) includes the power to revoke or vary an equivalence direction at any time.
  - F6 Reg. 2(1A)(1B) inserted (30.6.2020) by The Financial Services (Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/628), regs. 1(2), 11(3)(a)
  - F7 Words in reg. 2(2)(a) substituted (30.6.2020) by The Financial Services (Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/628), regs. 1(2), 11(3)(b)
  - F8 Reg. 2(2)(b) substituted (31.12.2020 immediately before IP completion day) by The Financial Services (Miscellaneous) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/710), regs. 1(2), 24; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)
  - Words in reg. 2(5) substituted (30.6.2020) by The Financial Services (Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/628), regs. 1(2), 11(3)(c)

#### **Commencement Information**

**I2** Reg. 2 in force at 12.3.2019, see reg. 1(3)

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#### **Exemption directions**

- **3.**—(1) The Treasury may by direction—
  - (a) determine that Articles 4 and 15 of SFTR do not apply to bodies in EEA states which—
    - (i) perform similar functions to members of the European System of Central Banks ("ESCB") or
    - (ii) are charged with, or intervene in, the management of the public debt.
  - (b) extend the exemption referred to in paragraph 1 of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 596/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 on market abuse "MAR") to transactions, orders or behaviour which are carried out by—
    - (i) a member State:
    - (ii) members of the ESCB;
    - (iii) a ministry, agency or special purpose vehicle of one or more member States, or a person acting on their behalf;
    - (iv) in the case of a member state that is a federal state, a member making up the federation;
    - (v) certain public bodies and central banks of third countries;
  - (c) extend the exemption referred to in paragraph 2 of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 596/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 on market abuse to transactions, orders or behaviour which are carried out by—
    - (i) the Commission or any other officially designated body, or any person acting on their behalf;
    - (ii) the Union;
    - (iii) a special purpose vehicle of one or more member states;
    - (iv) the European Investment Bank;
    - (v) the European Financial Stability Facility;
    - (vi) the European Stability Mechanism;
    - (vii) an international financial institution established by two or more member states which has the purpose of mobilising funding and providing financial assistance for the benefit of its members that are experiencing or threatened by severe financial problems;
  - (d) make provision for MAR not to apply to the activity of a member State, the Commission or any other officially designated body, or of any person acting on their behalf, which concerns emission allowances and which is undertaken in pursuit of the Union's climate policy in accordance with Directive 2003/87/EC<sup>M3</sup>;
  - (e) make provision for MAR not to apply to the activities of a member State, the Commission or any other officially designated body, or of any person acting on their behalf, that are undertaken in pursuit of the Union's Common Agricultural Policy or of the Union's Common Fisheries Policy in accordance with acts adopted or with international agreements concluded under the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union M4;
  - (f) determine that "EMIR" does not apply to members of the ESCB or bodies in EEA states which—
    - (i) perform similar functions to members of the ESCB; or
    - (ii) are charged with, or intervene in, the management of the public debt;

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- [F10(g)] extend the scope of paragraph 6 and apply paragraph 7 of Article 1 of Regulation (EU) 600/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 on markets in financial instruments to other central banks of EEA states.]
- (2) An exemption direction—
  - (a) may have effect only on or after [F11IP completion day]; and
  - (b) ceases to have effect after the date on which it is revoked by a further exemption direction or by any other enactment.
- (3) The Treasury must lay a copy of any exemption direction given by them under paragraph (1) before Parliament.
- (4) The Treasury must publish any direction given under paragraph (1) in a way appearing to the Treasury to be best calculated to bring it to the attention of the public.
  - (5) No exemption direction may be given under paragraph (1) after [F12IP completion day].
- (6) The power of the Treasury under paragraph (1) includes the power to revoke or vary an exemption direction at any time.
  - F10 Reg. 3(1)(g) inserted (25.10.2019) by The Financial Services (Miscellaneous) (Amendment) (EU Exit) (No. 3) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/1390), regs. 1(3), 7(a)
  - F11 Words in reg. 3(2)(a) substituted (30.6.2020) by The Financial Services (Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/628), regs. 1(2), 11(4)(a)
  - F12 Words in reg. 3(5) substituted (30.6.2020) by The Financial Services (Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/628), regs. 1(2), 11(4)(b)

#### **Commencement Information**

**I3** Reg. 3 in force at 12.3.2019, see reg. 1(3)

#### **Marginal Citations**

**M3** OJ L 275, 25.10.2003.

**M4** OJ C 326, 26.10.2012.

#### Information and advice

- **4.**—(1) The Treasury may by notice in writing require the Bank of England, the PRA or the FCA to provide information or advice specified, or of a description specified, in the notice.
- (2) The information or advice must be information or advice which the Treasury consider is necessary to enable it to decide whether to make—
  - (a) an equivalence determination,
  - (b) an exemption determination, or
  - (c) any other determination (other than one referred to in regulation 2 or 3) that a third country has regulatory standards in an area of financial services that are equivalent to those in the United Kingdom as permitted by retained EU law.
- (3) The information or advice required by a notice referred to in paragraph (1) must be provided during such reasonable period as may be specified in the notice.
- (4) The Bank of England, the PRA and the FCA may provide information or advice to the Treasury in connection with any determination referred to in regulations 2, 3 or this regulation in the absence of a notice under paragraph (1).

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#### **Commencement Information**

**I4** Reg. 4 in force at 12.3.2019, see reg. 1(3)

# Application of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 in relation to functions under this Regulation

**5.** Sections 348 to 350 and 353 (disclosure of information) of FSMA apply in relation to information received by the Bank of England for the purposes of, or in discharge of, any of its functions under regulation 4.

#### **Commencement Information**

I5 Reg. 5 in force at 12.3.2019, see reg. 1(3)

#### Co-ordination

- **6.**—(1) The Treasury, the Bank of England, the PRA and the FCA must co-ordinate the discharge of their respective functions in relation to equivalence determinations and exemption determinations and provision of information and advice under regulation 4.
- (2) The Treasury, the Bank of England, the PRA and the FCA must prepare and maintain a memorandum describing in general terms—
  - (a) how they propose to exercise their respective functions in relation to equivalence determinations and exemption determinations and comply with their obligations under paragraph (1);
  - (b) how they propose to exercise any other functions relating to equivalence determinations they are given in regulations made under—
    - (i) retained EU law; or
    - (ii) the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018.
- (3) The Treasury must lay before Parliament a copy of the memorandum maintained under paragraph (2).
- (4) The Treasury must publish any memorandum maintained under paragraph (2) in a way appearing to the Treasury to be best calculated to bring it to the attention of the public.

#### **Commencement Information**

**I6** Reg. 6 in force at 12.3.2019, see reg. 1(3)

**PROSPECTIVE** 

#### Amendments to EU tertiary legislation

7. Schedule 2 makes amendments to specified EU tertiary legislation.

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#### **Commencement Information**

I7 Reg. 7 in force at 31.12.2020 on IP completion day (in accordance with 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)), see reg. 1(2)

#### **PROSPECTIVE**

#### Revocation of Regulations establishing the European System of Financial Supervision

- **8.** The following instruments are revoked
  - (a) Regulation (EU) No 1092/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 November 2010 on European Union macro-prudential oversight of the financial system and establishing a European Systemic Risk Board;
  - (b) Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 November 2010 establishing a European Supervisory Authority (European Banking Authority), amending Decision No 716/2009/EC and repealing Commission Decision 2009/78/EC;
  - (c) Regulation (EU) No 1094/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 November 2010 establishing a European Supervisory Authority (European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority), amending Decision No 716/2009/EC and repealing Commission Decision 2009/79/EC;
  - (d) Regulation (EU) No 1095/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 November 2010 establishing a European Supervisory Authority (European Securities and Markets Authority), amending Decision No 716/2009/EC and repealing Commission Decision 2009/77/EC

### **Commencement Information**

I8 Reg. 8 in force at 31.12.2020 on IP completion day (in accordance with 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)), see reg. 1(2)

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#### SCHEDULE 1

Regulation 2

### Equivalence determinations

#### Benchmarks Regulation

- 1.—(1) For the purposes of Article 30(2) of Regulation (EU) 2016/1011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2016 on indices used as benchmarks in financial instruments and financial contracts or to measure the performance of investment funds ("Regulation (EU) 2016/1011"), to determine that the legal framework and supervisory practice of an EEA state ensures that—
  - (a) administrators authorised or registered in that EEA state comply with binding requirements which are equivalent to the requirements under Regulation (EU) 2016/1011, in particular taking account of whether the legal framework and supervisory practice of an EEA state ensures compliance with the International Organisation of Securities Commissions' ("IOSCO") principles for financial benchmarks or, where applicable, with the IOSCO principles for Oil Price Reporting Agencies ("OPRAs"); and
  - (b) the binding requirements are subject to effective supervision and enforcement on an ongoing basis in that EEA state.
  - (2) For the purposes of Article 30(3) of Regulation (EU) 2016/1011, to determine that—
    - (a) binding requirements in an EEA state with respect to specific administrators or specific benchmarks or families of benchmarks are equivalent to the requirements under Regulation (EU) 2016/1011, in particular taking account of whether the legal framework and supervisory practice of an EEA state ensures compliance with—
      - (i) the IOSCO principles for financial benchmarks or,
      - (ii) where applicable, with the IOSCO principles for OPRAs; and
    - (b) such specific administrators or specific benchmarks or families of benchmarks are subject to effective supervision and enforcement on an on-going basis in that EEA state.

#### **Commencement Information**

**I9** Sch. 1 para. 1 in force at 12.3.2019, see reg. 1(3)

# Capital Requirements Regulation

- 2. For the purpose of determining capital requirements under Regulation (EU) 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms ("CRR"), to determine whether an EEA state applies—
  - (a) prudential supervisory and regulatory requirements at least equivalent to those applied in the United Kingdom, for the purposes of [F13]Articles 107(3) and 391] of CRR;
  - (b) supervisory and regulatory arrangements at least equivalent to those applied in the United Kingdom, for the purposes of Articles 114(7), 115(4), 116(5), 132(3) and 142(2) of CRR.
  - F13 Words in Sch. 1 para. 2(a) substituted (30.6.2020) by The Financial Services (Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/628), regs. 1(2), 11(5)(a)

#### **Commencement Information**

**I10** Sch. 1 para. 2 in force at 12.3.2019, see reg. 1(3)

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# Credit Rating Agencies Regulation

- **3.**—(1) For the purposes of Article 5 of Regulation (EC) 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 September 2009 on credit rating agencies ("CRAR"), to determine whether the legal and supervisory framework of an EEA state ensures that credit rating agencies authorised or registered in that EEA state—
  - (a) comply with legally binding requirements which are equivalent to the requirements resulting from CRAR; and
  - (b) are subject to effective supervision and enforcement in that EEA state.
- (2) A third-country legal and supervisory framework may be considered equivalent to CRAR for the purposes of paragraph (1) only if that framework fulfils at least the following conditions—
  - (a) credit rating agencies in that EEA state are subject to authorisation or registration and are subject to effective supervision and enforcement on an ongoing basis;
  - (b) credit rating agencies in that EEA state are subject to legally binding rules which are equivalent to those set out in Articles 6 to 12 of and Annex I to CRAR [F14, with the exception of Articles 6a, 6b, 8a, 8c and 11a, and points 3(ba), 3a and 3b of Section B of Annex I]; and
  - (c) the regulatory regime in that EEA state prevents interference by the supervisory authorities and other public authorities of that EEA state with the content of credit ratings and methodologies.
  - F14 Words in Sch. 1 para. 3(2)(b) inserted (30.9.2020) by The Equivalence Determinations for Financial Services (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/1055), regs. 1(2), 12(3)

#### **Commencement Information**

III Sch. 1 para. 3 in force at 12.3.2019, see reg. 1(3)

# [F15Central Securities Depositories Regulation

- **3A.**—(1) For the purposes of Article 25(9) of CSDR, to determine that an EEA state has legal and supervisory arrangements which ensure that—
  - (a) CSDs authorised in that EEA state comply with legally binding requirements which are in effect equivalent to the requirements laid down in CSDR,
  - (b) CSDs authorised in that EEA state are subject to effective supervision, oversight and enforcement in that EEA state on an ongoing basis, and
  - (c) the legal framework of that EEA state provides for an effective equivalent system for the recognition of CSDs authorised under the legal regimes of other states.
- (2) For the purposes of paragraph (1), the Treasury may also consider whether the legal and supervisory arrangements of that EEA state reflect the internationally agreed CPSS-IOSCO standards, in so far as the latter do not conflict with the requirements laid down in domestic legislation including CSDR.]
  - F15 Sch. 1 para. 3A inserted (30.6.2020) by The Financial Services (Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/628), regs. 1(2), 11(5)(b)

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#### **EMIR**

- **4.**—(1) For the purposes of Article 2A of EMIR, to determine that a third-country market complies with legally binding requirements which are—
  - (a) equivalent to the requirements laid down in the law of the United Kingdom which were relied on by the United Kingdom immediately before [F16IP completion day] to implement Title III of [F17Directive 2014/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 on markets in financial instruments and amending Directive 2002/92/EC and Directive 2011/61/EU]; and
  - (b) subject to effective supervision and enforcement in that EEA state on an ongoing basis for the purposes of Article 2A(1) of EMIR.
- (2) For the purposes of Article 13 of EMIR, to determine that the legal, supervisory and enforcement arrangements of an EEA state—
  - (a) are equivalent to the requirements laid down under Articles 4, 9, 10 and 11 of EMIR;
  - (b) ensure protection of professional secrecy that is equivalent to that set out in that Regulation; and
  - (c) are being effectively applied and enforced in an equitable and non-distortive manner so as to ensure effective supervision and enforcement in that EEA state.
  - F16 Words in Sch. 1 para. 4(1)(a) substituted (30.6.2020) by The Financial Services (Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/628), regs. 1(2), 11(5)(f)(i)
  - F17 Words in Sch. 1 para. 4(1)(a) substituted (6.9.2019) by The Financial Services (Electronic Money, Payment Services and Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/1212), regs. 1(2), 19(2)

#### **Commencement Information**

- **I12** Sch. 1 para. 4 in force at 12.3.2019, see reg. 1(3)
- [F184A.—(1) For the purposes of Article 75(1) of EMIR, to determine that the legal and supervisory arrangements of an EEA state ensure that—
  - (a) trade repositories authorised in that EEA state comply with legally binding requirements which are equivalent to those laid down in EMIR including, where relevant, compliance with the requirements to give direct and immediate access to the data held by the trade repository to the entities referred to in Article 81(3) of EMIR,
  - (b) effective supervision and enforcement of trade repositories takes place in that EEA state on an ongoing basis, and
  - (c) guarantees of professional secrecy exist, including the protection of business secrets shared with third parties by the authorities, and that they are at least equivalent to those set out in EMIR.
- (2) Directions under regulation 2(1) must also specify the relevant authorities in that EEA state that are entitled to access data held by trade repositories established in the United Kingdom.
  - F18 Sch. 1 paras. 4A, 4B inserted (30.6.2020) by The Financial Services (Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/628), regs. 1(2), 11(5)(c)
- **4B.** For the purposes of Article 76a of EMIR, and upon the submission of a request by the relevant authorities of an EEA state, the Treasury may determine whether the legal framework of an EEA state of the requesting authority fulfils all of the following conditions—

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- (a) trade repositories established in that EEA state are duly authorised,
- (b) effective supervision and enforcement of trade repositories takes place in that EEA state on an ongoing basis,
- (c) guarantees of professional secrecy exist, including the protection of business secrets shared with third parties by the authorities, and they are at least equivalent to those set out in EMIR, and
- (d) trade repositories authorised in that EEA state are subject to a legally binding and enforceable obligation to grant the entities referred to in Article 81(3) of EMIR direct and immediate access to the data.]

F18 Sch. 1 paras. 4A, 4B inserted (30.6.2020) by The Financial Services (Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/628), regs. 1(2), 11(5)(c)

#### Markets in Financial Instruments

- 5.—(1) For the purposes of Article 23 of [F19]MiFIR] and paragraph 8 of Schedule 3 to MIFIR, to determine whether the legal and supervisory framework of an EEA state ensures that a trading venue or regulated market, as appropriate, authorised in that country complies with legally binding requirements which are equivalent to the requirements resulting from MAR, Title II of MiFIR, and the law of the United Kingdom which was relied on by the United Kingdom immediately before [F20]IP completion day] to implement Title III of Directive 2014/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 on markets in financial instruments M5 and Directive 2004/109/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the harmonisation of transparency requirements in relation to information about issuers whose securities are admitted to trading on a regulated market ("Transparency Directive) M6, in accordance with paragraph 8(2) of Schedule 3 to Regulation (EU) 600/2014, and which are subject to effective supervision and enforcement in that EEA state.
- (2) For the purposes of Article 28 of MiFIR, to determine that the legal and supervisory framework of an EEA state ensures that a trading venue authorised in that country complies with legally binding requirements which are equivalent to the requirements for the trading venues referred to in paragraph 1(a), (b) or (c) of Article 28 of MiFIR, resulting from MiFIR, the law of the United Kingdom which was relied on by the United Kingdom immediately before [F21 IP completion day] to implement Directive 2014/65/EU, and Regulation (EU) No 596/2014, and which are subject to effective supervision and enforcement in that EEA state, in accordance with Article 28(4) of MiFIR.
- (3) A determination made under [F22sub-paragraph (2)] may be limited to a category of trading venues.
  - F19 Word in Sch. 1 para. 5(1) substituted (30.6.2020) by The Financial Services (Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/628), regs. 1(2), 11(5)(d)
  - **F20** Words in Sch. 1 para. 5(1) substituted (30.6.2020) by The Financial Services (Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/628), regs. 1(2), 11(5)(f)(ii)
  - **F21** Words in Sch. 1 para. 5(2) substituted (30.6.2020) by The Financial Services (Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/628), regs. 1(2), 11(5)(f)(iii)
  - F22 Words in Sch. 1 para. 5(3) substituted (25.10.2019) by The Financial Services (Miscellaneous) (Amendment) (EU Exit) (No. 3) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/1390), regs. 1(3), 7(b)

#### **Commencement Information**

**I13** Sch. 1 para. 5 in force at 12.3.2019, see reg. 1(3)

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#### **Marginal Citations**

**M5** OJ L 173, 12.6.2014, p. 349–496, as amended.

**M6** OJ L390, 31.12.2004, p. 38, as amended.

- **6.** For the purposes of Article 33 of MiFIR, to determine that the legal, supervisory and enforcement arrangements of an EEA state—
  - (a) are equivalent to the requirements resulting from Articles 28 and 29 of MiFIR;
  - (b) ensure protection of professional secrecy that is equivalent to that set out in MiFIR;
  - (c) are being effectively applied and enforced in an equitable and non-distortive manner so as to ensure effective supervision and enforcement in that EEA state.

#### **Commencement Information**

**I14** Sch. 1 para. 6 in force at 12.3.2019, see reg. 1(3)

7. For the purposes of Article 38(3) of MiFIR, to determine that the legal and supervisory framework of an EEA state ensures that a trading venue and CCP authorised in that EEA state complies with legally binding requirements which are equivalent to the requirements referred to in the second subparagraph of paragraph 3 of Article 38 of MiFIR and which are subject to effective supervision and enforcement in that EEA state.

#### **Commencement Information**

I15 Sch. 1 para. 7 in force at 12.3.2019, see reg. 1(3)

- [F238.—(1) For the purpose of Article 47(1) of MiFIR, to determine that the legal and supervisory arrangements of an EEA state ensure that firms authorised in that EEA state comply with legally binding prudential and business conduct requirements which have equivalent effect to the requirements set out in MiFIR, in the law of the United Kingdom which was relied on by the United Kingdom immediately before IP completion day to implement Directive 2013/36/EU and Directive 2014/65/EU, and in the implementing measures adopted under MiFIR and under those Directives and that the legal framework of that EEA state provides for an effective equivalent system for the recognition of investment firms authorised under third-country legal regimes.
- (2) In sub-paragraph (1), the prudential and business conduct framework of an EEA state may be considered to have equivalent effect where that framework fulfils all the following conditions—
  - (a) firms providing investment services and activities in that state are subject to authorisation and to effective supervision and enforcement on an ongoing basis,
  - (b) firms providing investment services and activities in that state are subject to sufficient capital requirements and appropriate requirements applicable to shareholders and members of their management body,
  - (c) firms providing investment services and activities are subject to adequate organisational requirements in the area of internal control functions,
  - (d) firms providing investment services and activities are subject to appropriate conduct of business rules, and
  - (e) it ensures market transparency and integrity by preventing market abuse in the form of insider dealing and market manipulation.]

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F23 Sch. 1 para. 8 substituted (30.6.2020) by The Financial Services (Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/628), regs. 1(2), 11(5)(e)

# [F24 Prospectus Regulation] and Transparency Directive

- **F24** Words in Sch. 1 para. 9 heading substituted (6.9.2019) by The Prospectus (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/1234), regs. 1(2), **27(2)(a)** (with savings in S.I. 2019/680, reg. 11 (as amended by S.I. 2019/1234, reg. 29(2)))
- **9.**—(1) For the purposes of rules made by the Financial Conduct Authority that are "prospectus rules" as defined by section 73A(4) of FSMA ("prospectus rules), to determine that a third country ensures the equivalence of prospectuses drawn up in that country with [F25Regulation (EU) No 2017/1129 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 June 2017 on the prospectus to be published when securities are offered to the public or admitted to trading on a regulated market, and repealing Directive 2003/71/EC ("the Prospectus Regulation")].
  - (2) Such equivalence may arise by reason of—
    - (a) the third country's national law, or
    - (b) practices and procedures based on international standards set by international organisations including the disclosure standards of IOSCO.
  - (3) For the purposes of—
    - (a) rules made by the FCA that are prospectus rules or "transparency rules" as defined by section 89A(5) of FSMA, and
  - [F26(b) Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/980 of 14 March 2019 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1129 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the format, content, scrutiny and approval of the prospectus to be published when securities are offered to the public or admitted to trading on a regulated market, and repealing Commission Regulation (EC) No 809/2004,]
- (4) The determination in paragraph (3) may only be made if the financial statements drawn up in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles of the third country enable investors to make a similar assessment of the assets and liabilities, financial position, profit and losses and prospects of the issuer as financial statements drawn up in accordance with UK-adopted international accounting standards, with the result that investors are likely to make the same decisions about the acquisition, retention or disposal of securities of an issuer.

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- (7) For the purposes of rules made by the FCA that are "transparency rules" as defined by section 89A(5) of FSMA, to determine that, by reason of its domestic law, regulations, administrative provisions, or of the practices or procedures based on the international standards set by international organisations, the third country where the issuer is registered ensures the equivalence of the information requirements provided for in the law of the United Kingdom which was relied on by the United Kingdom immediately before [F28]P completion day] to implement Directive 2004/109/EC.
- [F29(8)] For the purpose of Article 29(3) of the Prospectus Regulation, to determine that the information requirements imposed by the national law of a third country are equivalent to the requirements under the Prospectus Regulation.]

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- **F25** Words in Sch. 1 para. 9(1) substituted (6.9.2019) by The Prospectus (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/1234), regs. 1(2), **27(2)(b)** (with savings in S.I. 2019/680, reg. 11 (as amended by S.I. 2019/1234, reg. 29(2))))
- **F26** Sch. 1 para. 9(3)(b) substituted (6.9.2019) by The Prospectus (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/1234), regs. 1(2), 27(2)(c) (with savings in S.I. 2019/680, reg. 11 (as amended by S.I. 2019/1234, reg. 29(2)))
- **F27** Sch. 1 para. 9(5)(6) omitted (6.9.2019) by virtue of The Prospectus (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/1234), regs. 1(2), **27(2)(d)** (with savings in S.I. 2019/680, reg. 11 (as amended by S.I. 2019/1234, reg. 29(2)))
- F28 Words in Sch. 1 para. 9(7) substituted (30.6.2020) by The Financial Services (Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/628), regs. 1(2), 11(5)(f)(iv)
- **F29** Sch. 1 para. 9(8) inserted (6.9.2019) by The Prospectus (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/1234), regs. 1(2), **27(2)(e)** (with savings in S.I. 2019/680, reg. 11 (as amended by S.I. 2019/1234, reg. 29(2)))

#### **Commencement Information**

**I16** Sch. 1 para. 9 in force at 12.3.2019, see reg. 1(3)

# Securities Financing Transactions Regulation

- **10.**—(1) For the purpose of Article 19(1) of SFTR, to determine that the legal and supervisory arrangements of an EEA state ensure that—
  - (a) trade repositories authorised in that EEA state comply with legally binding requirements which are equivalent to those laid down in SFTR;
  - (b) effective supervision of trade repositories and effective enforcement of their obligations takes place in that EEA state on an ongoing basis;
  - (c) guarantees of professional secrecy exist, including the protection of business secrets shared with third parties by the authorities, and those guarantees are at least equivalent to those laid down in SFTR; and
  - (d) trade repositories authorised in that EEA state are subject to a legally binding and enforceable obligation to give direct and immediate access to the data to the entities referred to in Article 12(2) of SFTR.
- (2) A determination made under sub-paragraph (1) must identify the third-country authorities that are entitled to access the data on securities financing transactions held in trade repositories established in the United Kingdom.
- (3) For the purpose of Article 21(1) of SFTR, to determine that the legal, supervisory and enforcement arrangements of an EEA state—
  - (a) are equivalent to the requirements laid down in Article 4 of SFTR;
  - (b) ensure protection of professional secrecy equivalent to that laid down in that Regulation;
  - (c) are being effectively applied and enforced in an equitable and non-distortive manner in order to ensure effective supervision and enforcement in that EEA state; and
  - (d) ensure that the entities referred to in Article 12(2) of SFTR have either—
    - (i) direct access to the details on data on securities financing transactions pursuant to Article 19(1) of SFTR; or
    - (ii) indirect access to the details on securities financing transactions pursuant to Article 20 of SFTR.

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#### **Commencement Information**

II7 Sch. 1 para. 10 in force at 12.3.2019, see reg. 1(3)

# Short Selling Regulation

11. For the purpose of Article 17 of Regulation (EU) 236/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on short selling and certain aspects of credit default swaps, to determine that the legal and supervisory framework of an EEA state satisfies the conditions in Article 17(2) of the Short Selling Regulation.

#### **Commencement Information**

**I18** Sch. 1 para. 11 in force at 12.3.2019, see reg. 1(3)

# Solvency 2 Regulation

- 12.—(1) For the purposes of Articles 378, 379 and 380 of the Solvency 2 Regulation, to determine that—
  - (a) the solvency regime of an EEA state that applies to reinsurance activities of undertakings with the head office in that EEA state is equivalent to that laid down in the relevant UK law,
  - (b) the supervisory regime of an EEA state is equivalent to that laid down in the relevant UK law, and
  - (c) the prudential regime of an EEA state is equivalent to that laid down in the relevant UK law.
- (2) The Treasury may only make a determination for the purposes of sub-paragraph (1) in relation to a country if it is satisfied that—
  - (a) in the case of a determination under sub-paragraph (1)(a), the criteria set out in Article 378 of the Solvency 2 Regulation are fulfilled;
  - (b) in the case of a determination under sub-paragraph (1)(b), the criteria set out in Article 379 of the Solvency 2 Regulation are fulfilled; and
  - (c) in the case of a determination under sub-paragraph (1)(c), the criteria set out in Article 380 of the Solvency 2 Regulation are fulfilled.
  - (3) The Treasury may also determine that—
    - (a) the solvency regime of a third country applied to reinsurance activities of undertakings with their head office in that third country is temporarily equivalent to that laid down in the relevant UK law if the criteria set out in Article 378A(5) of the Solvency 2 Regulation are fulfilled;
    - (b) the solvency regime of a third country that applies to undertakings with their head office in that third country is provisionally equivalent to that laid down in the relevant UK law if the criteria set out in Article 379A(4) of the Solvency 2 Regulation are fulfilled;
    - (c) the prudential regime of a third country that applies to undertakings the parent undertaking of which has its head office outside the United Kingdom is temporarily equivalent to that laid down in the relevant UK law if the criteria set out in Article 380A(4) of the Solvency 2 Regulation are fulfilled.
- (4) A determination of equivalence under paragraph (3) shall have effect for the period specified in Articles 378A(7), 379A(6) and (8) and 380A(6) and (7) of the Solvency 2 Regulation.
  - (5) For the purposes of this paragraph—

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- (a) the "relevant UK law" means United Kingdom enactments or rules which implemented the following provisions of the Solvency 2 Directive (within the meaning of Article 1(61) of the Solvency 2 Regulation)—
  - (i) in the case of a determination under paragraph (2)(a) or (3)(a), Title I of the Solvency 2 Directive,
  - (ii) in the case of a determination under paragraph (2)(b) or (3)(b), Title I, Chapter IV of the Solvency 2 Directive,
  - (iii) in the case of a determination under paragraph (2)(c) or (3)(c), Title III of the Solvency 2 Directive;
- (b) the "Solvency 2 Directive" means Directive 2009/138/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2009 on the taking-up and pursuit of the business of insurance and reinsurance M7 as it had effect immediately before [F30] P completion day];
- (c) the "Solvency 2 Regulation" means 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.

**F30** Words in Sch. 1 para. 12(5)(b) substituted (30.6.2020) by The Financial Services (Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/628), regs. 1(2), 11(5)(f)(v)

#### **Commencement Information**

**I19** Sch. 1 para. 12 in force at 12.3.2019, see reg. 1(3)

#### **Marginal Citations**

M7 OJ L 335, 17.12.2009, p. 1, as amended.

#### **PROSPECTIVE**

# SCHEDULE 2

Regulation 7

# Commission Tertiary Legislation

#### **EMIR**

- 1. In Article 1 of the following Commission Implementing Decisions, for "regulated markets as defined in point (14) of Article 4(1) of Directive 2004/39/EC" substitute "UK regulated markets as defined in Article 2(1)(13A) of Regulation (EU) 600/2014 of 15 May 2014 on markets in financial instruments"
  - (a) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/1073 of 1 July 2016 on the equivalence of designated contract markets in the United States of America in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council;
  - (b) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/2270 of 15 December 2016 on the equivalence of approved exchanges in Singapore in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council;
  - (c) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/2271 of 15 December 2016 on the equivalence of financial instrument exchanges and commodity exchanges in Japan in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council;

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- (d) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/2272 of 15 December 2016 on the equivalence of financial markets in Australia in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council;
- (e) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/2273 of 15 December 2016 on the equivalence of recognised exchanges in Canada in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council.

#### **Commencement Information**

120 Sch. 2 para. 1 in force at 31.12.2020 on IP completion day (in accordance with 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)), see reg. 1(2)

# Markets in financial instruments

- **2.**—(1) In Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2017/2320 of 13 December 2017 on the equivalence of the legal and supervisory framework of the United States of America for national securities exchanges and alternative trading systems in accordance with Directive 2014/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council M8—
  - (a) in Article 1, for the words from "considered" to the end, substitute—

"considered-

- (a) to be equivalent to the requirements for UK regulated markets as defined in Regulation (EU) 600/2014, resulting from—
  - (i) Regulation (EU) 596/2014;
  - (ii) Title II of Regulation (EU) 600/2014; and
  - (iii) the law of the United Kingdom which was relied on by the United Kingdom immediately before [F31 IP completion day] to implement Title III of Directive 2014/65/EU and Directive 2004/109/EC, and
- (b) to be subject to effective supervision and enforcement.";
- (b) in the Annex to the Decision, for "regulated markets as defined in Directive 2014/65/EU", both times it appears, substitute "UK regulated markets as defined in Regulation (EU) 600/2014".
- (2) In the Commission Implementing Decisions listed in sub-paragraph (3), in Article 1, for the words from "considered" to the end, substitute—

"considered-

- (a) to be equivalent to the requirements for UK regulated markets as defined in Regulation (EU) 600/2014, resulting from—
  - (i) Regulation (EU) 596/2014;
  - (ii) Title II of Regulation (EU) 600/2014; and
  - (iii) the law of the United Kingdom which was relied on by the United Kingdom immediately before [F32IP completion day] to implement Title III of Directive 2014/65/EU and Directive 2004/109/EC and
- (b) to be subject to effective supervision and enforcement.";
- (3) The Commission Implementing Decisions listed in this sub-paragraph are—
  - (a) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2017/2318 of 13 December 2017 on the equivalence of the legal and supervisory framework in Australia applicable to financial

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- markets in accordance with Directive 2014/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council;
- (b) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2017/2319 of 13 December 2017 on the equivalence of the legal and supervisory framework applicable to recognised exchange companies in Hong Kong Special Administrative Region in accordance with Directive 2014/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council.
- F31 Words in Sch. 2 para. 2(1)(a) substituted (30.12.2020) by The Financial Services and Economic and Monetary Policy (Consequential Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/1301), regs. 1, 3, Sch. para. 29(a)
- F32 Words in Sch. 2 para. 2(2) substituted (30.12.2020) by The Financial Services and Economic and Monetary Policy (Consequential Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/1301), regs. 1, 3, Sch. para. 29(b)

#### **Commencement Information**

Sch. 2 para. 2 in force at 31.12.2020 on IP completion day (in accordance with 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para.
 1(1)), see reg. 1(2)

#### **Marginal Citations**

**M8** OJ L 331, 14.12.2017, p. 94.

- **3.** In Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2017/2238 of 5 December 2017 on the equivalence of the legal and supervisory framework applicable to designated contract markets and swap execution facilities in the United States of America in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 600/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council—
  - (a) in Article 1, for "Directive 2014/65/EC" substitute "that Regulation")";
  - (b) in the Annex to the decision, for "Directive 2014/65/EU" both times it occurs, substitute "Regulation (EU) 600/2014".

# **Commencement Information**

I22 Sch. 2 para. 3 in force at 31.12.2020 on IP completion day (in accordance with 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)), see reg. 1(2)

- **4.** In Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/2047 of 20 December 2018 on the equivalence of the legal and supervisory framework applicable to stock exchanges in Switzerland in accordance with Directive 2014/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council, in Article 1—
  - (a) for "Directive 2014/65/EC" substitute "that Regulation";
  - (b) for "Directive 2004/39/EC" substitute "the law of the United Kingdom which was relied on by the United Kingdom immediately before [F33IP completion day] to implement Directive 2004/39/EC".
  - F33 Words in Sch. 2 para. 4(b) substituted (30.12.2020) by The Financial Services and Economic and Monetary Policy (Consequential Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/1301), regs. 1, 3, Sch. para. 29(c)

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#### **Commencement Information**

Sch. 2 para. 4 in force at 31.12.2020 on IP completion day (in accordance with 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)), see reg. 1(2)

# Capital Requirements Regulation

**5.** In Commission Implementing Decision 2014/908 of 12 December 2014 on the equivalence of the supervisory and regulatory requirements of certain third countries and territories for the purposes of the treatment of exposures according to Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council, in Articles 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, for "Union" each time it occurs, substitute "United Kingdom".

#### **Commencement Information**

I24 Sch. 2 para. 5 in force at 31.12.2020 on IP completion day (in accordance with 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)), see reg. 1(2)

# Solvency 2

- **6.** In Commission Delegated Decision (EU) 2015/1602 of 5 June 2015 on the equivalence of the solvency and prudential regime for insurance and reinsurance undertakings in force in Switzerland based on Articles 172(2), 227(4) and 260(3) of Directive 2009/138/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council—
  - (a) in Articles 1, 2 and 3, after "requirements of", each time it occurs, insert "United Kingdom enactments and rules which implemented";
  - (b) after Article 3, insert—

# "Article 3A

In this decision, references to the United Kingdom enactments and rules which implemented provisions in Directive 2009/138/EC are to the law of the United Kingdom or any part of the United Kingdom which was relied on immediately before [F34IP completion day] to implement Directive 2009/138/EC and its implementing measures. F35

- **F34** Words in Sch. 2 para. 6(b) substituted (30.12.2020) by The Financial Services and Economic and Monetary Policy (Consequential Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/1301), regs. 1, 3, Sch. para. 29(d)
- F35 Words in Sch. 2 para. 6(b) omitted (31.12.2020 immediately before IP completion day) by virtue of The Financial Services (Electronic Money, Payment Services and Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/1212), regs. 1(3), 19(3); 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

#### **Commencement Information**

Sch. 2 para. 6 in force at 31.12.2020 on IP completion day (in accordance with 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)), see reg. 1(2)

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- 7. In Commission Delegated Decision (EU) 2016/309 of 26 November 2015 on the equivalence of the supervisory regime for insurance and reinsurance undertakings in force in Bermuda to the regime laid down in Directive 2009/138/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and amending Commission Delegated Decision (EU) 2015/2290—
  - (a) in Articles 1, 2 and 3, after "laid down in", each time it occurs, insert "United Kingdom enactments and rules which implemented";
  - (b) after Article 3, insert—

# "Article 3A

In this decision, references to the United Kingdom enactments and rules which implemented provisions in Directive 2009/138/EC are to the law of the United Kingdom or any part of the United Kingdom which was relied on immediately before [F36IP completion day] to implement Directive 2009/138/EC and its implementing measures.

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- **F36** Words in Sch. 2 para. 7(b) substituted (30.12.2020) by The Financial Services and Economic and Monetary Policy (Consequential Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/1301), regs. 1, 3, Sch. para. 29(e)
- F37 Words in Sch. 2 para. 7(b) omitted (31.12.2020 immediately before IP completion day) by virtue of The Financial Services (Electronic Money, Payment Services and Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/1212), regs. 1(3), 19(3); 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

#### **Commencement Information**

- Sch. 2 para. 7 in force at 31.12.2020 on IP completion day (in accordance with 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)), see reg. 1(2)
- **8.** In Commission Delegated Decision (EU) 2016/310 of 26 November 2015 on the equivalence of the solvency regime for insurance and reinsurance undertakings in force in Japan to the regime laid down in Directive 2009/138/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council—
  - (a) in Articles 1 and 2, after "laid down in", each time it occurs, insert "United Kingdom enactments and rules which implemented";
  - (b) after Article 2, insert—

#### "Article 2A

In this decision, references to the United Kingdom enactments and rules which implemented provisions in Directive 2009/138/EC are to the law of the United Kingdom or any part of the United Kingdom which was relied on immediately before [F38 IP completion day] to implement Directive 2009/138/EC and its implementing measures. F39

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- **F38** Words in Sch. 2 para. 8(b) substituted (30.12.2020) by The Financial Services and Economic and Monetary Policy (Consequential Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/1301), regs. 1, 3, Sch. para. 29(f)
- **F39** Words in Sch. 2 para. 8(b) omitted (31.12.2020 immediately before IP completion day) by virtue of The Financial Services (Electronic Money, Payment Services and Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/1212), regs. 1(3), **19(3)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

#### **Commencement Information**

- Sch. 2 para. 8 in force at 31.12.2020 on IP completion day (in accordance with 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)), see reg. 1(2)
- **9.** In Commission Delegated Decision (EU) 2015/2290 of 12 June 2015 on the provisional equivalence of the solvency regimes in force in Australia, Bermuda, Brazil, Canada, Mexico and the United States and applicable to insurance and reinsurance undertakings with head offices in those countries—
  - (a) in Article 1, after "laid down in", each time it occurs, insert "United Kingdom enactments and rules which implemented";
  - (b) after Article 1, insert—

# "Article 1A

In Article 1, references to the United Kingdom enactments and rules which implemented provisions in Directive 2009/138/EC are to the law of the United Kingdom or any part of the United Kingdom which was relied on immediately before [F40]IP completion day] to implement Directive 2009/138/EC and its implementing measures. F41...

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- **F40** Words in Sch. 2 para. 9(b) substituted (30.12.2020) by The Financial Services and Economic and Monetary Policy (Consequential Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/1301), regs. 1, 3, Sch. para. 29(g)
- **F41** Words in Sch. 2 para. 9(b) omitted (31.12.2020 immediately before IP completion day) by virtue of The Financial Services (Electronic Money, Payment Services and Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/1212), regs. 1(3), **19(3)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

#### **Commencement Information**

Sch. 2 para. 9 in force at 31.12.2020 on IP completion day (in accordance with 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)), see reg. 1(2)

#### Prospectus Directive

**10.** In Commission Regulation (EC) No 1289/2008 of 12 December 2008 amending Commission Regulation (EC) No 809/2004 implementing Directive 2003/71/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards elements related to prospectuses and advertisements, omit Article 2.

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129 Sch. 2 para. 10 in force at 31.12.2020 on IP completion day (in accordance with 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)), see reg. 1(2)

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations are made in exercise of the powers in section 8(1) of the of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (c. 16). They make provision to address failures of retained EU law to operate effectively and other deficiencies arising from the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union. In particular, these Regulations address deficiencies under paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d) of section 8(2) of the Act and transfer functions under section 8(6) of the Act. On and after exit day, EEA states will be third countries to the UK. Third country status is relevant to several aspects of financial services law, where it is mitigated for countries that are found to have equivalent legislation and regulatory enforcement to that in the UK.

Regulation 2 provides a time-limited power to HM Treasury to determine by direction that the legal and supervisory framework of a member state of the European Union or the European Economic Area is equivalent to the framework in the United Kingdom for the purpose of provisions in retained EU law listed in Schedule 1.

Regulation 3 provides a time-limited power to HM Treasury to determine by direction that central banks and certain other bodies in the EEA are exempt from certain provisions in retained EU law. Regulation 8 revokes the EU Regulations that established the European Supervisory Agencies and the European Systemic Risk Board.

Schedule 2 corrects deficiencies in decisions in retained EU law made under the equivalence regimes listed in Schedule 1.

An impact assessment of the effect that this instrument will have on the costs of business, the voluntary sector and the public sector is available from HM Treasury, 1 Horse Guards Road, London SW1A 2HQ and is published alongside this instrument at www.legislation.gov.uk.

#### **Status:**

This version of this Instrument contains provisions that are prospective.

# **Changes to legislation:**

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