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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2019 No. 542**

**The Transparency of Securities Financing Transactions  
and of Reuse (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019**

**PART 4**

**SPECIFIC PROVISION FOR TRADE REPOSITORIES**

**CHAPTER 2**

**ENFORCEMENT PROVISIONS RELATING TO TRADE REPOSITORIES**

**Warning notice**

**26.**—(1) If the FCA proposes to—

- (a) publish a statement in respect of a trade repository under regulation 28; or
- (b) impose a penalty on a trade repository under regulation 29,

it must give the trade repository a warning notice.

(2) A warning notice about a proposal to publish a statement must set out the terms of the statement.

(3) A warning notice about a proposal to impose a penalty must state the amount of the penalty.

**Decision notice**

**27.**—(1) If, having considered any representations made in response to the warning notice, the FCA decides to—

- (a) publish a statement under regulation 28 (whether or not in the terms proposed); or
- (b) impose a penalty under regulation 29 (whether or not of the amount proposed);

it must without delay give the trade repository concerned a decision notice.

(2) In case of a statement, the decision notice must set out the terms of the statement.

(3) In the case of a penalty, the decision notice must state the amount of the penalty.

(4) If the FCA decides to —

- (a) publish a statement in respect of a trade repository under regulation 28; or
- (b) impose a penalty on a trade repository under regulation 29;

the trade repository may refer the matter to the Tribunal.

(5) After a statement under regulation 28 is published, the FCA must send a copy of it to the trade repository concerned and to any person to whom a copy of the decision notice was given under section 393(4) of the FSMA (third party rights) (as applied by regulation 37).

**Public censure**

28. If the FCA considers that a trade repository has contravened a requirement imposed by or under this Part, the SFT regulation or the TRATP Regulations, the FCA may publish a statement to that effect.

**Financial penalties**

29.—(1) If the FCA considers that a trade repository has contravened a requirement imposed by or under this Part, the SFT regulation or the TRATP Regulations, it may impose a penalty of such amount as it considers appropriate on the trade repository.

(2) A penalty imposed under this regulation is payable to the FCA and may be recovered as a debt owed to the FCA.

**Statement of policy**

30.—(1) The FCA must prepare and issue a statement of policy with respect to—

- (a) the imposition of penalties under regulation 29; and
- (b) the amount of penalties under that regulation.

(2) The FCA's policy in determining what the amount of a penalty should be must include having regard to—

- (a) the seriousness of the contravention in question in relation to the nature of the requirement contravened; and
- (b) the extent to which that contravention was deliberate or reckless.

(3) The FCA may at any time alter or replace a statement issued by it under this regulation.

(4) If a statement issued under this regulation is altered or replaced by the FCA, the FCA must issue the altered or replacement statement.

(5) The FCA must, without delay, give the Treasury a copy of any statement which it issues under this regulation.

(6) A statement issued under this regulation by the FCA must be published by the FCA in the way appearing to the FCA to be best calculated to bring it to the attention of the public.

(7) The FCA may charge a reasonable fee for providing a person with a copy of the statement.

(8) In exercising, or deciding whether to exercise, its power under regulation 29 in the case of any particular contravention, the FCA must have regard to any statement of policy published by it under this regulation and in force at the time when the contravention in question occurred.

**Statement of policy: procedure**

31.—(1) Before the FCA issues a statement under regulation 30, the FCA must publish a draft of the proposed statement in the way appearing to the FCA to be best calculated to bring it to the attention of the public.

(2) The draft must be accompanied by a notice that representations about the proposed statement may be made to the FCA within a specified time.

(3) Before issuing the proposed statement the FCA must have regard to any representations made to it in accordance with paragraph (2).

(4) If the FCA issues the proposed statement it must publish an account, in general terms, of—

- (a) the representations made to it in accordance with paragraph (2); and
- (b) its response to them.

(5) If the statement differs from the draft published under paragraph (1) in a way which is, in the opinion of the FCA, significant, the FCA must (in addition to complying with paragraph (4)) publish details of the difference.

(6) The FCA may charge a reasonable fee for providing a person with a copy of a draft published by it under paragraph (1).

(7) This regulation also applies to a proposal to alter or replace a statement.

### **Powers to issue guidance**

**32.**—(1) The FCA may give guidance consisting of such information and advice as it considers appropriate in respect of—

- (a) the operation of this Part, Chapter 3 of the SFT regulation or the TRATP Regulations;
- (b) any matters relating to the functions of the FCA under this Part, Chapter 3 of the SFT regulation or the TRATP Regulations;
- (c) any other matters about which it appears to the FCA to be desirable to give information or advice about this Part, Chapter 3 of the SFT regulation or the TRATP Regulations.

(2) The FCA may—

- (a) publish its guidance;
- (b) offer copies of its published guidance for sale at a reasonable price;
- (c) if it gives guidance in response to a request made by any person, make a reasonable charge for that guidance.

### **Injunctions**

**33.**—(1) If, on the application of the FCA, the court is satisfied—

- (a) that there is a reasonable likelihood that any person will contravene a requirement imposed by or under this Part or by or under Chapter 3 of the SFT regulation; or
- (b) that any person has contravened such a requirement and that there is a reasonable likelihood that the contravention will continue or be repeated,

the court may make an order restraining (or in Scotland an interdict prohibiting) the contravention.

(2) If, on the application of the FCA, the court is satisfied—

- (a) that any person has contravened a requirement imposed by or under this Part or by or under Chapter 3 of the SFT regulation; and
- (b) that there are steps which could be taken for remedying the contravention,

the court may make an order requiring that person, and any other person who appears to have been knowingly concerned in the contravention, to take such steps as the court may direct to remedy it.

(3) If, on the application of the FCA, the court is satisfied that any person may have—

- (a) contravened a requirement imposed by or under this Part or by or under Chapter 3 of the SFT regulation; or
- (b) been knowingly concerned in the contravention of such a requirement,

it may make an order restraining (or in Scotland an interdict prohibiting) them from disposing of, or otherwise dealing with, any assets of theirs which it is satisfied they are reasonably likely to dispose of or otherwise deal with.

(4) The jurisdiction conferred by this regulation is exercisable by the High Court and the Court of Session.

(5) In paragraph (2), references to remedying a contravention include references to mitigating its effect.