

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 (Text with EEA relevance)

TITLE III

CENTRAL SECURITIES DEPOSITORIES

CHAPTER II

Requirements for CSDs

Section 2

Conduct of business rules

Article 32

General provisions

- 1 A CSD shall have clearly defined goals and objectives that are achievable, such as in the areas of minimum service levels, risk-management expectations and business priorities.
- 2 A CSD shall have transparent rules for the handling of complaints.

Article 33

Requirements for participation

- 1 For each securities settlement system it operates a CSD shall have publicly disclosed criteria for participation which allow fair and open access for all legal persons that intend to become participants. Such criteria shall be transparent, objective, and non-discriminatory so as to ensure fair and open access to the CSD with due regard to risks to financial stability and the orderliness of markets. Criteria that restrict access shall be permitted only to the extent that their objective is to justifiably control a specified risk for the CSD.
- 2 A CSD shall treat requests for access promptly by providing a response to such requests within one month at the latest and shall make the procedures for treating access requests publicly available.
- 3 A CSD shall deny access to a participant meeting the criteria referred to in paragraph 1 only where duly justified in writing and based on a comprehensive risk assessment.

In the event of a refusal, the requesting participant has the right to complain to the competent authority of the CSD that has refused access.

That competent authority shall duly examine the complaint by assessing the reasons for refusal and shall provide the requesting participant with a reasoned reply.

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That competent authority shall consult the competent authority of the place of establishment of the requesting participant on its assessment of the complaint. Where the authority of the requesting participant disagrees with the assessment provided, any one of the two competent authorities may refer the matter to ESMA, which may act in accordance with the powers conferred on it under Article 19 of Regulation (EU) No 1095/2010.

Where the refusal by the CSD to grant access to the requesting participant is deemed to be unjustified, the competent authority of the CSD that has refused access shall issue an order requiring that CSD to grant access to the requesting participant.

4 A CSD shall have objective and transparent procedures for the suspension and orderly exit of participants that no longer meet the criteria for participation referred to in paragraph 1.

5 ESMA shall, in close cooperation with the members of the ESCB, develop draft regulatory technical standards to specify the risks to be taken into account by CSDs when carrying out a comprehensive risk assessment, and by competent authorities when assessing the reasons for refusal in accordance with paragraph 3 and the elements of the procedure referred to in paragraph 3.

ESMA shall submit those draft regulatory technical standards to the Commission by 18 June 2015.

Power is delegated to the Commission to adopt the regulatory technical standards referred to in the first subparagraph in accordance with Articles 10 to 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1095/2010.

6 ESMA shall, in close cooperation with the members of the ESCB, develop draft implementing technical standards to establish standard forms and templates for the procedure referred to in paragraph 3.

ESMA shall submit those draft implementing technical standards to the Commission by 18 June 2015.

Power is conferred on the Commission to adopt the implementing technical standards referred to in the first subparagraph in accordance with Article 15 of Regulation (EU) No 1095/2010.

Article 34

Transparency

1 For each securities settlement system it operates, as well as for each of the other core services it performs, a CSD shall publicly disclose the prices and fees associated with the core services listed in Section A of the Annex that they provide. It shall disclose the prices and fees of each service and function provided separately, including discounts and rebates and the conditions to benefit from those reductions. It shall allow its clients separate access to the specific services provided.

2 A CSD shall publish its price list so as to facilitate the comparison of offers and to allow clients to anticipate the price they shall have to pay for the use of services.

3 A CSD shall be bound by its published pricing policy for its core services.

4 A CSD shall provide its clients with information that allows reconciling invoices with the published price lists.

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5 A CSD shall disclose to all clients information that allows them to assess the risks associated with the services provided.

6 A CSD shall account separately for costs and revenues of the core services provided and shall disclose that information to the competent authority.

7 A CSD shall account for the cost and revenue of the ancillary services provided as a whole and shall disclose that information to the competent authority.

8 In order to ensure effective application of Union competition rules and enable the identification, inter alia, of cross-subsidisation of ancillary services by core services, a CSD shall maintain analytical accounting for its activities. Such analytical accounts shall at least separate the costs and revenues associated with each of its core services from those associated with ancillary services.

Article 35

Communication procedures with participants and other market infrastructures

CSDs shall use in their communication procedures with participants of the securities settlement systems they operate, and with the market infrastructures they interface with international open communication procedures and standards for messaging and reference data in order to facilitate efficient recording, payment and settlement.

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- Art. 2.1(45) words omitted by [S.I. 2018/1320 reg. 6\(2\)\(u\)\(ii\)](#)
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- Art. 2(56) inserted by [S.I. 2021/1376 reg. 26\(2\)](#)
- Art. 20(1)(d) words substituted by [S.I. 2018/1320 reg. 11\(9\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
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- Art. 25(4)(d) substituted by [S.I. 2018/1320 reg. 13\(d\)\(iii\)](#)
- Art. 25(5)(a)(b) omitted by [S.I. 2018/1320 reg. 13\(e\)\(ii\)](#)
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- Art. 30(1)(i) words substituted by S.I. 2018/1320 reg. 14(5)(a)(ii)
- Art. 46(1)(d) words substituted by S.I. 2021/1376 reg. 26(3)
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- Art. 54(3)(e) words substituted by S.I. 2021/1376 reg. 26(4)(a)(i)
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