



# Financial Services and Markets Act 2000

## 2000 CHAPTER 8

### PART XVII

#### COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES

#### CHAPTER III

#### AUTHORISED UNIT TRUST SCHEMES

##### *Powers of intervention*

#### 257 Directions.

- (1) The [F<sup>1</sup>FCA] may give a direction under this section if it appears to the [F<sup>1</sup>FCA] that—
- (a) one or more of the requirements for the making of an authorisation order are no longer satisfied;
  - [F<sup>2</sup>(b) the manager or trustee of an authorised unit trust scheme has contravened, or is likely to contravene, a requirement imposed—
    - (i) by or under this Act; F<sup>3</sup> ...
    - (ii) by [F<sup>4</sup>UCITS-related direct EU legislation;] or
    - [F<sup>5</sup>(iii) by the MMF Regulation or any directly applicable regulation or decision made under that Regulation [F<sup>6</sup>which constitutes [F<sup>7</sup>assimilated direct] legislation];]
  - (c) the manager or trustee of such a scheme has, in purported compliance with any such requirement, knowingly or recklessly given the [F<sup>1</sup>FCA] information which is false or misleading in a material particular; or
  - (d) none of paragraphs (a) to (c) applies, but it is desirable to give a direction in order to protect the interests of participants or potential participants in such a scheme.
- (2) A direction under this section may—

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- (a) require the manager of the scheme to cease the issue or redemption, or both the issue and redemption, of units under the scheme;
  - (b) require the manager and trustee of the scheme to wind it up.
- (3) If the authorisation order is revoked, the revocation does not affect any direction under this section which is then in force.
- (4) A direction may be given under this section in relation to a scheme in the case of which the authorisation order has been revoked if a direction under this section was already in force at the time of revocation.
- (5) If a person contravenes a direction under this section, [<sup>F8</sup>section 138D] applies to the contravention as it applies to a contravention mentioned in that section.
- (6) The [<sup>F1</sup>FCA] may, either on its own initiative or on the application of the manager or trustee of the scheme concerned, revoke or vary a direction given under this section if it appears to the [<sup>F1</sup>FCA]—
- (a) in the case of revocation, that it is no longer necessary for the direction to take effect or continue in force;
  - (b) in the case of variation, that the direction should take effect or continue in force in a different form.

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Word in ss. 254-262 substituted (1.4.2013) by [Financial Services Act 2012 \(c. 21\), s. 122\(3\), Sch. 18 para. 9\(1\)\(2\)](#) (with [Sch. 20](#)); [S.I. 2013/423, art. 3, Sch.](#)
- F2** S. 257(1)(b) substituted (1.7.2011) by [The Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities Regulations 2011 \(S.I. 2011/1613\), reg. 2\(20\)](#)
- F3** Word in s. 257(1)(b)(i) omitted (28.6.2018 for specified purposes, 21.7.2018 in so far as not already in force) by virtue of [The Money Market Funds Regulations 2018 \(S.I. 2018/698\), regs. 1\(2\), 2\(9\)\(a\)](#)
- F4** Words in s. 257(1)(b)(ii) substituted (31.12.2020) by [The Collective Investment Schemes \(Amendment etc.\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019 \(S.I. 2019/325\), regs. 1\(2\), 12\(a\)](#) (with savings in [S.I. 2019/680, reg. 11](#)); [2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1\(1\)](#)
- F5** S. 257(1)(b)(iii) inserted (28.6.2018 for specified purposes, 21.7.2018 in so far as not already in force) by [The Money Market Funds Regulations 2018 \(S.I. 2018/698\), regs. 1\(2\), 2\(9\)\(c\)](#)
- F6** Words in s. 257(1)(b)(iii) inserted (31.12.2020) by [The Collective Investment Schemes \(Amendment etc.\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019 \(S.I. 2019/325\), regs. 1\(2\), 12\(b\)](#) (with savings in [S.I. 2019/680, reg. 11](#)); [2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1\(1\)](#)
- F7** Words in s. 257(1)(b)(iii) substituted (1.1.2024) by [The Retained EU Law \(Revocation and Reform\) Act 2023 \(Consequential Amendment\) Regulations 2023 \(S.I. 2023/1424\), reg. 1\(2\), Sch. para. 44\(4\)\(i\)](#)
- F8** Words in s. 257(5) substituted (1.4.2013) by [Financial Services Act 2012 \(c. 21\), s. 122\(3\), Sch. 18 para. 12](#) (with [Sch. 20](#)); [S.I. 2013/423, art. 3, Sch.](#)

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 257(1) extended (1.12.2001) by [S.I. 2001/2636, arts. 1\(2\)\(b\), 69\(1\)](#); [S.I. 2001/3538, art. 2\(1\)](#)
- C2** S. 257(6) extended (1.12.2001) by [S.I. 2001/2636, arts. 1\(2\)\(b\), 69\(3\)](#); [S.I. 2001/3538, art. 2\(1\)](#)

#### Commencement Information

- I1** S. 257 wholly in force at 1.12.2001; s. 257 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 431(2); s. 257 in force for specified purposes at 3.9.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2632, art. 2\(2\), Sch. Pt. 2](#); s. 257 in force in so far as not already in force at 1.12.2001 by [S.I. 2001/3538, art. 2\(1\)](#)

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

- Act applied (with modifications) by [S.I. 2023/1347 reg. 8](#)
- 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. 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))