

## **Financial Services Act 2008**

# **Application Form for a Financial Services Licence to act as a Professional Officer**

Completed applications, together with any supporting material, should be sent to:

Authorisations Department
Isle of Man Financial Services Authority
P O Box 58
Finch Hill House
Bucks Road
Douglas
Isle of Man
IM99 1DT

#### **Licence Application - Guidance Notes**

Please complete all sections of the form. Where something is not applicable please write "N/A" beside the question.

The form can be downloaded from the Isle of Man Financial Services Authority's ('the Authority') website in Microsoft Word format to be completed electronically, with boxes that will expand to fit the text. You must not alter or delete any questions (the questions are read-only to protect against accidental alteration). You must not re-type or reformat the form. Alternatively you can print the form and complete it using block capitals and black ink. You may provide information on additional sheets if necessary. The application form itself and any additional sheets containing supplementary information must be signed and dated.

Please read the Authority's <u>Licensing Policy for Regulated Activities under the Financial Services Act</u> 2008 before making this application.

The Authority's staff are available for consultation on a formal or an informal basis in the course of the preparation of an application for a licence and will try to give appropriate guidance where it is sought. However, in order that the role of the staff of the Authority is not misunderstood, the Authority wishes to emphasise that:-

- (i) the preparation and submission of an application for a licence is the responsibility of the applicant;
- (ii) the decision whether or not to issue a licence is the responsibility of the Authority; and
- (iii) the Authority normally takes legal advice on questions of law that confront it and applicants for licences must similarly be prepared to seek legal advice on questions of law where it has any doubts about the applicability of the law.

The Authority has determined that an application for a licence must be made on this form. Any deviation from this form may invalidate the application.

If an application is incomplete or does not disclose all information which may affect the Authority's assessment, this may result in significant delays in processing. The Authority does not accept responsibility for any loss caused to the applicant by any delay.

It should be noted that by virtue of section 40 of <u>The Financial Services Act 2008</u> ('the Act) a person commits an offence if, for the purposes of obtaining a licence, he knowingly or recklessly gives any information which is false in a material particular, or if he fails to furnish information which that person is required to furnish to the Authority. Any person guilty of an offence under any provision of the Act shall be liable:

- (a) on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding £5,000; or to a term of custody not exceeding six months, or to both;
- (b) on conviction on information, to a fine or to a term of custody not exceeding 2 years, or to both.

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## **Section 1: Applicant Details**

1.	Full name of applicant			
2.	Home address			
3.	Business address (if different from above)			
4.	Website			
5.	E-mail address			
6.	Telephone number			
7.	Fax number			
8.	Annual reporting date			
9.	9. What level of insurance cover is held or is proposed?			
			Level of indemnity	Excess
	Professional Indemnity			
	Directors and Officers			

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10. Name(s) and address(es) of banks with whom business accounts are maintained (as appropriate), or at which it is intended to open such accounts. List the applicant's main bankers first.				
		dress	Ad	Name
				11. Name and address of the applicant's accountant, including the contact person.
				12. If appropriate, name and address of the applicant's advocates, including the contact person.
	No	Yes	13. Is there any outstanding litigation against the applicant or has the applicant issued any current proceedings? If yes, provide details on a separate sheet.	
	No	Yes	or civil judgements against the	14. Have there been any convictions of
			applicant? If yes, provide details on a separate sheet.	
	No	Yes	_	15. Has the applicant at any time with
			indication from a banker that its account has not been kept in a satisfactory manner? If yes, explain the circumstances on a separate sheet.	
	No	Yes	or civil judgements against the on a separate sheet.  In the last 6 years received an account has not been kept in a	applicant's accountant, including the contact person.  12. If appropriate, name and address of the applicant's advocates, including the contact person.  13. Is there any outstanding litigation the applicant issued any current details on a separate sheet.  14. Have there been any convictions of applicant? If yes, provide details on the applicant at any time with indication from a banker that its a satisfactory manner? If yes, explain

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## **Section 2: Regulated Activities**

1.	Does the applicant intend to provide corporate services, trust services or both?	
2.	Complete the relevant tables below. The applicant should ensemble companies and / or trusts, to which services are provided, is in	

Corporate Services	
As at the date of this application, state:	
The total number of companies for which the applicant acts as director	
The total number of companies for which the applicant acts as company secretary	
The total number of foundations for which the applicant acts	
The total number of partnerships for which the applicant acts	

	Trust Services	
	As at the date of this application, state the number of trusts of provides regulated activities as:	or foundations to which the applicant
	Trustee	
	Protector	
	Enforcer	
3.	What was the applicant's approximate income for the previous 12 months, derived from acting as a director/company secretary and for any trust roles?	
4.	What is the applicant's expected income, derived from acting as a professional officer, for the next 12 months?	
5.	Is the applicant actively seeking additional appointments?	
6.	Are the applicant's appointments focussed in a particular industry? If so, please provide further details on an additional sheet.	

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#### Section 3: Documents which form part of the application

In addition to the application form and associated appendix, the following documents should accompany the application:

Document	Attached	Notes
Fitness and Propriety Form ('F&P')		An F&P is required in respect of the applicant. Please refer to the Regulatory Guidance - Fitness and Propriety for further information.
The application fee payment should be made by BACS. Please confirm if the payment has been made.		Bank: Isle of Man Bank Limited Sort Code: 55-91-00 A/C Name: Isle of Man Government Financial Services Authority Account No: 12557838 Payment Reference: Name of Applicant followed by "AF"
Client Agreements / Terms of Business		A copy of the proposed standard agreement or terms of business to be issued in the course of the applicant's business.
Professional Indemnity / Directors and Officers Insurance Policy		Evidence, by way of a policy schedule, that appropriate cover is in place.

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#### Appendix 1 – Financial Services Act 2008 Declaration

The applicant must sign this declaration. A licence under section 7 of the Financial Services Act 2008 ('the Act') will not be issued until a completed declaration in this form has been received by the Isle of Man Financial Services Authority ('the Authority').

#### Data Protection Notice

The Authority is registered with the Information Commissioner as a data controller under Isle of Man data protection legislation. The Authority collects and processes personal data to carry out its functions under relevant legislation and may share personal data with other parties where there is a legal basis for doing so. Information on how the Authority collects and processes personal data can be found in the **Privacy Policy** on the Authority's website:

https://www.iomfsa.im/terms-conditions/privacy-policy/

Please call +44 (0)1624 646000 if you have any queries.

I declare that the information supplied in the attached application is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief at the time of this making this declaration.

I further declare that I am, to the best of my knowledge, able to pay my debts.

I hereby apply to be licensed by the Authority in accordance with section 7 of the Act.

I agree to provide any further information that the Authority may require when considering this application.

I agree to notify the Authority of any other information which is material to this application, and also to notify the Authority immediately of any material changes in the information provided in this application which may occur after the date of submission of the application and prior to the date on which a licence is granted or the date on which I am notified that his application has been unsuccessful.

I understand and accept that the Authority may wish to make enquiries - both now and on a continuing basis - to satisfy itself as to my initial and continuing fitness and propriety. Accordingly, I authorise the bankers named in this application, together with any other person, body or institution (including the Police) that the Authority may approach, to provide such information, as the Authority believes may be relevant to its assessment.

I confirm that I have read and understood the Authority's <u>Licensing Policy for Regulated Activities under the Financial Services Act 2008</u>.

I confirm that I have read and understood the <u>Financial Services Rule Book</u> issued by the Authority pursuant to the Act and I declare that my business is, or will be, conducted in accordance with that Rule Book.

I confirm that I have read and understood the Anti-money Laundering and Countering the Financial of Terrorism Code 2015 and declare that my activities as a professional officer are, or will be, conducted in accordance with this Code.

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Signed	Applicant	
Name		
Date		

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