

HMT/FCA May 2024 Update – Overseas Fund Regime

HM Treasury and the FCA have issued their May 2024 update on the Overseas Funds Regime (OFR), for which the intention is to allow EEA UCITs funds to access the UK funds market. Whilst the timelines are subject to change, the May update gives a good indication of what is required by when. It is important to note that whilst the UK authorities recognise equivalence for EEA UCITs funds, there are still considerations such as the UK's SDR, and retail point of sale disclosures to be considered, and money market funds are not included.

In addition to the timeline the update includes considerations for:-

- Application process for fund operators to apply under the OFR.
- TMPR arrangements for Money Markets Funds
- Optional rules subject to consultation
- Retail disclosures likely to be required in line with UK funds
- SDR requirements and labelling which may be extended to OFR funds
- Ongoing data collection to support the FCA's oversight of funds marketed in the UK

