



MODULE	AU: Authorisation
CHAPTER	AU-1: Requirement to Hold a License

AU-1.3 Definition of Regulated Financing Company Services

AU-1.3.1

Regulated financing company services are any of the following activities, carried on by way of business:

- (a) Offering instalment credit;
- (b) Offering revolving credit facilities (such as credit cards);
- (c) Offering Shari'a financing contracts; and
- (d) Issuing/administering means of payment (charge or prepaid cards, whether physical or digital). ~~travellers' cheques, electronic purses.~~

AU-1.3.1B

A financing company licensee may choose to offer a limited range of financing activity as determined by its business plan provided that such activity includes short term instalment credits only.

Issuing Means of Payment

AU-1.3.14

~~Means the selling or issuing of payment instruments, or the selling or issuing of stored value (e.g. travellers' cheques, electronic purses).~~ [This Paragraph has been deleted in XX].



MODULE	AU:	Authorisation
CHAPTER	AU-2:	Licensing Conditions

AU-2.5 Condition 5: Financial Resources

AU-2.5.2

~~In accordance with Module CA (Capital Adequacy) licensees must maintain a minimum level of paid-up capital of BD 5,000,000 (or its equivalent in foreign currency, where legally permitted and agreed with the CBB). A greater amount of capital may be required by the CBB on a case-by-case basis. Licensees must also maintain a minimum gearing ratio of 20%. Licensees must fully comply with the capital requirements contained in Module CA (Capital Adequacy).~~

MODULE	CA: Capital Requirements
CHAPTER	CA-1: Regulatory Capital

CA-1.1 General Requirements

Minimum Capital Requirement

CA-1.1.1

A licensee must maintain a minimum paid-up capital of BD5,000,000 ~~(or an equivalent amount in a currency acceptable to the CBB)~~. A greater amount of capital may be required by the CBB on a case-by-case basis. A licensee offering a limited scope of short-term instalment credit activity may be allowed, as determined by the CBB, to maintain a lower capital based on the nature, scale and size of operations. ~~Licensees must also maintain a minimum gearing ratio of 20%.~~

MODULE	GR: General Requirements
CHAPTER	GR-4: Controllers

GR-4.3 Suitability of Controllers

GR-4.3.3

A natural person ~~will not be allowed to~~ **must not** own or control more than 15% of the voting capital of a licensee. Such person must satisfy the conditions in Paragraph GR-4.3.6 below.

GR-4.3.4

An unregulated legal person (including companies, trusts, partnerships) ~~will not be allowed to~~ **must not** own or control more than 20% of the voting capital of a licensee. All such persons must satisfy the conditions in Paragraph GR-4.3.7 below.

GR-4.3.4A

Financing company licensees offering limited scope of activities may be exempted from the requirements of GR-4.3.3 and GR-4.3.4.

MODULE	HC: High-Level Controls
CHAPTER	HC-1: The Board

HC-1.8 Committees of the Board

HC-1.8.1	<p>The board must establish create specialised committees when and as such committees are needed. In addition to the Audit, Remuneration and Nominating Committees described elsewhere in this Module, these may include an Executive Committee to review and make recommendations to the whole board on the licensee's actions, or a Risk Committee to identify and minimize specific risks of the licensee's business. For <u>financing company licensees</u> offering limited scope of activities, an Audit Committee is required at minimum.</p>
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MODULE	HC:	High-Level Controls
CHAPTER	HC-1:	Management Structure

HC-6.2 Establishment of Management Structure

HC-6.2.1

The board must appoint senior management whose authority must include management and operation of current activities of the licensee, reporting to and under the direction of the board. The senior management must include at a minimum:

- (a) A CEO;
- (b) A chief financial officer;
- (c) A corporate secretary; **and**
- (d) An internal auditor; **and**
- (e) Compliance Officer/MLRO.

~~and must also include such other approved persons as the board considers appropriate.~~