



Enhanced Customer Due Diligence

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Banking requirements

- **Main requirements are laid down in:**
 - The 40+9 FATF Recommendations (1990/2002)
 - Customer Due Diligence for Banks – BCBS, October 2001
 - 3rd EU Directive on the prevention of the use of the financial system for the purpose of money laundering and terrorist financing of 26 October 2005
 - The 1992 Annunzio – Wylie Anti Money Laundering Act
 - The 2001 US PATRIOT Act – more in particular Title III “International Money Laundering Abatement and Anti-Terrorist Financing Act of 2001”

Basel Committee on Banking Supervision

- Main document is “*Customer Due Diligence for Banks – BCBS, October 2001*”

- Basic principles:
 - A. Thorough client identification and on-boarding process
 - B. Transactions monitoring and transaction filtering
 - C. Ongoing KYC updates
 - D. Robust risk management

Basic Principles - Thorough client identification and on-boarding process

- Applies to all kind of clients
- Basis for Knowing the Customer
- Dynamic in nature and must therefore continue after on-boarding process
- Different requirements for different purposes...

Basic Principles - Thorough client identification and on-boarding process

Identification requirements

Natural Persons

- legal name and any other names used (such as maiden name);
- correct permanent address (the full address should be obtained; a Post Office box number is not sufficient);
- telephone number, fax number, and e-mail address;
- date and place of birth;
- nationality;
- occupation, public position held and/or name of employer;
- an official personal identification number or other unique identifier contained in an unexpired official document (e.g. passport, identification card, residence permit, social security records, driving licence) that bears a photograph of the customer;
- type of account and nature of the banking relationship;
- signature.

Corporate Entities

- name of institution;
- principal place of institution's business operations;
- mailing address of institution;
- contact telephone and fax numbers;
- some form of official identification number, if available (e.g. tax identification number);
- the original or certified copy of the Certificate of Incorporation and Memorandum and Articles of Association;
- the resolution of the Board of Directors to open an account and identification of those who have authority to operate the account;
- nature and purpose of business and its legitimacy.

Basic Principles - Thorough client identification and on-boarding process

Client due diligence means taking into account all those factors that the bank needs to determine whether a client **is and remains acceptable to the bank. The assessment must be risk-based and sufficiently extensive for the bank to be able to form a reasonable belief and to be confident that it:**

- Knows its client;
- Has insight into the nature and background of the client and their (commercial) activities;
- Is aware of the existence and identity of beneficial owners and beneficiaries (if any);
- Has no reason to believe that the client's funds and assets have an illegitimate source;
- Has insight in the client's needs for products and services;
- Knows which risks it runs in order to manage those risks appropriately.

Basic Principles - Thorough client identification and on-boarding process

Minimum procedures with regard to Client Due Diligence:

- Internal client on-boarding written procedures
- No account opening prior to completion of CDD
- Clearly described deviation and emergency procedures
- Each account (clients) must have a relationship owner – avoid “orphan” accounts
- Regular training and education of staff (particularly client-facing staff)
- Clear and well defined definitions of high, medium and low risk
- Clear escalation procedures to higher levels of management
- Written instructions for enhanced client due diligence procedures
- Clear instructions regarding the responsibilities of client-facing staff and the compliance function
- Procedures for knowing the customer of the bank’s customers (second ring of customers)

- Procedures for CDD in connection with correspondent banking

Basic Principles - Thorough client identification and on-boarding process

Minimum procedures with regard to Client Due Diligence:

- Enhanced due diligence regarding high risk clients
 - Enhanced due diligence must be imposed on a risk sensitive basis
 - Increased number of board members must be identified and screened
 - Identification of Ultimate Beneficiary Owner (UBO) and other main shareholders
 - In-depth understanding of the client's business
 - Understanding of the prospective use and purpose of the account
 - Ultimate decision making on account opening and on-boarding of the client to be made by senior management

 - Enhanced due diligence by default when politically exposed persons (PEPs) are involved as owners of board members

Basic Principles - Transactions monitoring and transaction filtering

Minimum procedures with regard to transaction monitoring and filtering:

- Define client profiles for each client account
- Client profiling must be audited for accuracy and appropriateness
- Have software in place enabling the monitoring of all transactions on all accounts
- Clear follow up and escalation procedures on hits
- Procedures ensuring confidentiality of reporting of unusual transactions to FIU
- Management information (MI) on monitoring hits
 - MI on (false) positive hits
 - MI on follow up actions
 - MI on consequences for client risk categorisation
- Clear procedures for exiting clients whose profile or transactions give rise to suspicion of money laundering or terrorist financing

Basic Principles - Transactions monitoring and transaction filtering

Minimum procedures with regard to transaction monitoring and filtering:

- Screening of all payment transactions against latest and most accurate screening lists issued by Central Banks and Government
- Audit of accuracy of screening lists
- Strict written procedures for filter hits ensuring freezing of money and reporting to FIU
- Regular management information (MI) about hits
 - MI on number of hits divided into positive and false positive hits
 - MI on escalation and decision making
 - MI on consequences of client risk categorisation
- Clear procedures for exiting clients whose profile or transactions give rise to suspicion of money laundering or terrorist financing

Basic Principles – Ongoing KYC process

Minimum procedures with regard to ongoing KYC process:

- A diligent process in place to ensure regular update of the KYC with deadlines regarding the re-assessment of clients
- Clear deadlines for re-assessing the clients' risk profile
- A system in place ensuring diligent monitoring of the clients' reputation and activities
- Regular meetings with clients to update the client information

Basic Principles – Robust risk management

Minimum procedures with regard to robust risk management:

- Primary focus on:
 - Reputation risk
 - Operational risk
 - Legal risk and
 - Concentration risk
- Effective KYC procedures form a pivotal part of risk management
- Internal audit must independently evaluate the quality of risk management

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Correspondent Banking

Issues regarding Client Due Diligence

- **Ultimate beneficiary and/or originator of the transaction is (are) unknown**
- **Reliance must be placed on due diligence conducted by other banks**
- **How does the bank protect its own integrity in regards of money laundering and terrorist financing?**

Correspondent Banking

- **Correspondent and respondent banking is**
 - Entering and maintaining a relationship with other banks
 - Entering into a relationship with other banks is not very different from engaging with a new client
 - A critical review is warranted with regard to
 - The other bank's reputation
 - The law and regulations in the country of domicile
 - The latest FATF country review for the country of domicile
 - Other sources of information about the bank and the country of domicile

Correspondent Banking

Reliance to be placed on other banks

- **Since the bank cannot perform its own client due diligence it must rely on the due diligence performed by the correspondent bank**
 - Monitoring of correspondent bank's ongoing reputation
 - Monitoring of transactions initiated by correspondent bank
 - Perform filtering of each transaction against latest filter lists issued by Central Banks
 - Regularly review the relationship with correspondent banks and determine if the relationship can be pursued

Correspondent Banking

Protecting integrity

- Do not maintain correspondent / respondent banking relationships with banks whose reputation is at stake

- Remain critical with regard to countries of domicile
 - Critical FATF reviews
 - Bad press
 - Change of political situation
 - Known reputation for illicit business

This may result in closing the correspondent banking relationship

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Monitoring and filtering

Important features of monitoring and filtering

- **Client profiling**
- **Transactions monitoring**
- **Transactions filtering**
- **Reporting of unusual transactions**

Monitoring and filtering

Client profiling

- **Normal client behaviour**
- **Highly predictable**
- **Changing behaviour over time**
- **Setting appropriate parameters**

Monitoring and filtering

Monitoring

- **Outlier detection**
- **Message screening**
- **Sequence analysis**
- **Analysing links between clients**



This may result in filing an unusual or suspicious transaction report with the FIU

Monitoring and filtering

Filtering

- **Application of the latest filters**
- **Certain transactions are prohibited as a result of international law and regulations**
- **Freezing of amounts**

This may result in filing an unusual or suspicious transaction report with the FIU



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