

GUERNSEY STATUTORY INSTRUMENT

2025 No. 20

**The Companies (Guernsey) (Recognition of Auditors)
(Exemption and Approval of Rules)
Regulations, 2025**

<i>Made</i>	<i>25th March, 2025</i>
<i>Coming into operation</i>	<i>25th March, 2025</i>
<i>Laid before the States</i>	<i>, 2025</i>

THE COMMITTEE FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 274I, 274V, 535 and 538 of the Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008^a and all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:-

Approval of Rules.

1. In accordance with section 274I(1) of the Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008, the Committee hereby approves the Crown Dependencies Audit Rules and Guidance issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, as amended or re-published (with or without modification) from time to time (“**the Rules**”).

^a Order in Council No. VIII of 2008; this enactment has been amended.

Exemptions from requirements of the ethical standards.

2. (1) In relation to the provision of non-audit services, where the Ethical Standard permits the FRC to exempt a recognised auditor from a requirement, a recognised auditor may request an exemption from the FRC (“**an exemption application**”).

(2) An exemption application shall be made in such form and manner as the FRC may require.

(3) On receipt of an exemption application the FRC may grant an exemption to a recognised auditor where it is satisfied that there is an exceptional basis for doing so and for a period not exceeding two financial years.

Amendment to Companies (Recognition of Auditors) Regulations, 2010.

3. Regulation 5 is deleted.

Amendment to Companies (Recognition of Auditors) (Amendment) Regulations, 2020.

4. Regulation 4 is deleted.

Interpretation.

5. (1) In these regulations -

“**Ethical Standard**” means the FRC’s Ethical Standard, as amended from time to time, and as defined and applied in the Rules,

“**exemption application**” has the meaning given in regulation 2(1),

“FRC” means the Financial Reporting Council, a company limited by guarantee, registered in England with company registration number 2486368, prescribed as a professional oversight body by the Companies (Recognition of Auditors) (Amendment) Regulations, 2016^b,

“recognised auditor” has the meaning given in section 274B of the Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008^c,

“the Rules” has the meaning given in regulation 1.

Citation.

6. These regulations may be cited as the Companies (Guernsey) (Recognition of Auditors) (Exemption and Approval of Rules) Regulations, 2025.

Commencement.

7. These regulations shall come into force on the 25th day of March 2025.

Dated this 25th day of March, 2025



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For and on behalf of the Committee

^b G.S.I. 18 of 2016

^c Order in Council No. VIII of 2008; this enactment has been amended.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the regulations)

These regulations confirm the approval of the Crown Dependencies' Audit Rules and Guidance issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales by the Committee and confer a statutory power on the Financial Reporting Council ("the FRC") to grant, in situations described more particularly in the Ethical Standard issued by the FRC, exemptions to a recognised auditor from requirements of Ethical Standards, with which recognised auditors of market traded companies in Guernsey would otherwise be required to comply under the Rules, there is also a consequential amendment to the Companies (Recognition of Auditors) Regulations, 2010.

These regulations came into force on the 25th March 2025.