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Part I – PRELIMINARY

1. Citation

These Regulations may be cited as the Capital Markets (Licensing Requirements) (General) Regulations.

2. Interpretation

In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—

“**Act**” includes a reference to the Capital Markets Act (cAP. 485A) and the Regulations and Guidelines made thereunder;

“**Authority**” has the meaning assigned to it in the Act;

“**close relation**” means a relationship supported by documentary evidence of a spouse, parent, sibling, child, father-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, mother-in-law, brother-in-law, son-in-law, grandchild or spouse of a grandchild;

“**Compensation Committee**” means the Investor Compensation Committee appointed under regulation [71](#);

“**Compensation Fund**” has the meaning assigned to it in section [2](#) of the Act;

“**custodian**” means a bank licensed under the Banking Act ([Cap. 488](#)) or a financial institution approved by the Authority to hold in custody funds, securities, financial instruments or documents of title to assets registered in the name of local investors, East African investors or foreign investors or of an investment portfolio;

“**demutualization**” means the separation of the ownership of an exchange from the right to trade on such exchange;

“**demutualized exchange**” means a securities exchange in which ownership and rights to trade are separate;

“**liquid capital**” in relation to a licensed entity, means the amount which the liquid assets of a licensed entity exceed its liabilities, as may be prescribed by the Authority;

“**private transaction**” means a transfer of a listed security outside a securities exchange authorized by the Authority from one security holder to another whether or not it involves any consideration or change of beneficial interest or is otherwise authorized by the Authority under section [31](#) of the Act;

“**professional**” means a person giving an opinion in respect of listed securities or in relation to a public offer or listing of securities and includes—

- (a) any person responsible for the incorporation of a listed company;
- (b) an advocate, auditor, accountant, investment advisor or stockbroker, underwriter, valuer, engineer, actuary, analyst, economist, management consultant; and
- (c) other experts whose written opinion with respect to the assets, products or business affairs of the issuer appear in a prospectus or is produced to the Authority;

“**rights to trade**” means the rights of access to and the use of trading related facilities provided and maintained by a securities exchange which a securities exchange may grant a licensee of the Authority, subject to the rules of the securities exchange on admission of trading participants;

“**securities laws**” includes the Capital Markets Act ([Cap. 485A](#)), the Central Depositories Act ([Cap. 485C](#)) and the Regulations and Guidelines made thereunder;

“**working capital**” means the difference between the current assets and current liabilities excluding clients’ accounts which shall not fall below twenty per cent of the prescribed minimum shareholders funds or three times the monthly operating costs whichever is higher.

[[L.N. 88/2012](#), r. 2, [L.N. 112/2013](#), r. 2.]

Part II – SECURITIES EXCHANGE

3. Application for approval

- (1) An application for grant of approval to operate as a securities exchange shall be submitted to the Authority in Form 1 set out in the First Schedule.
- (2) The application under paragraph (1) shall be submitted together with—
 - (a) the rules, memorandum and articles of association of the applicant which shall be in a form that is satisfactory to the Authority and restricts the applicant to the business of operating a securities exchange and services incidental thereto;
 - (b) details of the trading system proposed to be adopted by the applicant;
 - (c) the prescribed fees set out in the Second Schedule; and
 - (d) such additional documents as may be required by the Authority.

[L.N. 88/2012, r. 3.]

4. Rules of the securities exchange

- (1) The rules proposed to be adopted by an applicant for approval to operate as a securities exchange shall contain provisions on the—
 - (a) admission to the listing, suspension or de-listing of securities by the securities exchange, through a procedure prescribed by the Authority;
 - (b) conditions governing dealing in securities by its trading participants so as to ensure protection of the rights of investors;
 - (c) prompt disclosure, in a manner that is fair to all investors, of material information of a price sensitive nature and information likely to affect the price of a security including fees on management contracts, to enable appraisal of an issue by investors;
 - (d) protection of investors against abuse of confidential information, misleading information, fraud, deceit, and other adverse practices in the issuing and trading of securities;
 - (e) prohibition of market manipulation in any form;
 - (f) investigation into trading in securities and financial transactions of trading participants and for conducting surprise checks on such trading participants;
 - (g) suspension of trading of any security for the protection of investors or for the conduct of orderly and fair trading;
 - (h) the conduct of securities trading by trading participants and the manner in which information relating to transactions is to be maintained and reported to other trading participants and customers of the securities exchange;
 - (i) segregation from other business accounts of trading participants, of customers' funds and securities;
 - (j) arbitration of disputes and provision for appeal to the Authority by trading participants, investors and listed companies;
 - (k) proper safe keeping of securities in its custody;
 - (l) carrying out of the business of the securities exchange with due regard to interest of the investing public;

- (m) trading rights on a securities exchange;
 - (n) admission of trading participants to the securities exchange, registration of representatives of trading participants with the securities exchange and to provide for different categories of trading participants, where appropriate, and the rights and obligations attaching to each category;
 - (o) conduct of trading participants, their representatives, authorized clerks and dealers;
 - (p) responsibility of trading participants for the actions of their employees and agents in their dealings with the public; and
 - (q) listing of medium and large sized companies in the respective market segments such that investors have a range of investment opportunities in listed securities across all sectors of the economy.
- (2) The provisions made under paragraph (1) shall conform to the provisions of the Act.

[L.N. 88/2012, r. 4.]

5. Membership of securities exchange

- (1) Trading participants of a securities exchange shall be licensees of the Authority with rights to trade at an approved securities exchange.
- (1A) The Authority may prescribe limits on the ownership of a securities exchange by its trading participants.
- (2) A securities exchange may, in accordance with the procedures prescribed in its rules, admit as a trading participant, any person who has been licensed by the Authority to exercise rights to trade—
- (a) if that person satisfies any admission requirements of the securities exchange; and
 - (b) on payment of admission fee approved by the Authority under section 29(2) of the Act,
- and accord that person the applicable rights to the relevant category of admission:

Provided that, a securities exchange may assess an application for admission by a person seeking a licence from the Authority and issue a confirmation that that person shall be admitted upon securing a license from the Authority.

- (3) A trading participant of a securities exchange or a director or a shareholder of a trading participant shall not be a director or hold beneficial interest either directly or indirectly in more than one trading participant of a securities exchange unless the trading participants has been exempted by the Authority on the basis of evidence of adequate internal controls to address conflict of interest.
- (4) In case of a listed trading participant of a securities exchange, an interest of fifteen per cent or more of the voting shares held directly or indirectly shall be deemed to be a person's beneficial interest for purpose of these Regulations.

[L.N. 88/2012, r. 5.]

6. Chairman, directors and chief executive

- (1) A securities exchange shall have a chief executive who shall be in charge of the day to day operations of the securities exchange and an administration of sufficient professional capability to carry out trading, clearing and compliance functions of its trading participants and listed companies.

- (2) No person shall be qualified for appointment as a chief executive of a securities exchange, unless such person has—
- (a) at least ten years' experience at a senior management level in matters relating to law, finance, accounting, economics, banking or insurance; and
 - (b) expertise in matters relating to money, capital markets or finance.
- (3) A securities exchange shall provide in its rules and articles of association that—
- (a) there shall be a fixed term of office for its chairman and chief executive, which shall be three years, renewable once for the chairman and four years renewable once for the chief executive;
 - (b) a board of directors comprising of the chief executive of the securities exchange and at least one third independent and non-executive directors;
 - (c) a maximum of two members of the board of directors who shall be elected from among or to represent the trading participants;
 - (d) the independent and non-executive directors appointed under subparagraph (b) shall be persons who have knowledge and experience in investments, public service and corporate governance and shall represent the interests of investors and the public interest:

Provided that prior to making any such appointment the securities exchange shall submit the names of the persons proposed to be appointed as directors to the Authority for confirmation that the Authority has no objection to the proposed appointments;
 - (e) two members of the board shall be elected by the shareholders of the securities exchange from nominees of companies listed on the securities exchange to represent the listed companies.
- (4) Subject to paragraph (3)(c), (d) and (e), the other persons appointed to the board of directors shall be elected by the shareholders of the exchange in accordance with the Companies Act.
- (5) Deleted by [L.N. 88/2012](#), r. 6.

[L.N. 88/2012, r. 6, L.N. 194/2022, r. 2.]

7. Requirements for approval of a securities exchange trading system

- (1) A trading system to be adopted by a securities exchange shall be approved by the Authority before such system is implemented.
- (2) The trading system referred to in paragraph (1) shall provide for—
- (a) a trading facility at which all bids to purchase and offers to sell are exposed to each other and at which members of the public are granted an opportunity to witness trading;
 - (b) a transparent and efficient pricing mechanism which—
 - (i) displays the best offer and bid prices;
 - (ii) provides for automatic matching;
 - (iii) displays the highest and lowest prices, the latest transactions as well as the volume of securities traded;
 - (iv) has an audit trail and trace back mechanism for all transactions;
 - (v) has sufficient internal controls and security measures to ensure that only authorized persons have access;
 - (vi) provides for integration with a central depository system; and

(vii) maintains records of all transactions and retrieves such records as may be necessary.

8. Submission of annual budget

- (1) A securities exchange shall submit its annual budget to the Authority not later than thirty days before the commencement of its financial year.
- (2) Any revisions to the budget shall be submitted to the Authority not later than fifteen days before the commencement of its financial year.
- (3) The annual budget shall—
 - (a) disclose details of revenue and expenditure as prescribed under these Regulations;
 - (b) make provision for a minimum of twenty per cent of the total annual listing fees receivable each financial year to support the development of the securities exchange infrastructure and investor education programme.

9. Self-regulation

- (1) Every securities exchange shall have—
 - (a) a procedure and appropriate system of exercising self-regulation over its trading participants;
 - (b) a code of conduct for its trading participants;
 - (c) adequate trading surveillance and compliance capacity; and
 - (d) a procedure for dispute resolution.
- (2) A securities exchange shall implement a system of self regulation with respect to its trading participants and shall ensure the day to day management of trading, settlement, delivery and all other activities of its trading participants are in accordance with—
 - (a) the rules of the securities exchange approved by the Authority; and
 - (b) laws, regulations and guidelines relating to securities issued by the Authority.
- (3) The rules of a securities exchange shall, where applicable, support the self-regulatory functions of the securities exchange and in particular shall be designed to—
 - (a) promote investor protection;
 - (b) promote fair treatment of its trading participants and any person who applies for admission as a trading participant;
 - (c) exclude a person who is not fit and proper from being its trading participant or being appointed as its chief executive, director or officer;
 - (d) promote proper regulation and supervision of its trading participants;
 - (e) promote appropriate standards of conduct of its trading participants;
 - (f) manage any conflict of interest which may arise between its interest and the interest of investors and the general public;
 - (g) ensure that its trading participants and officers duly comply with the securities laws, regulations and guidelines issued by the Authority and where relevant, the rules of the securities exchange, or approved central depository;
 - (h) require trading participants to report in a timely manner any breaches of applicable rules;

- (i) prevent the use of any information by its trading participants or officers which may result in such trading participants or officer making an unfair gain; expel, suspend, discipline or sanction a trading participant if a trading participant contravenes securities laws, regulations and guidelines issued by the Authority or where relevant, the rules of the securities exchange, or an approved central depository;
 - (j) require a trading participant to report any action, restriction or limitation imposed on its operations by another securities exchange, central depository or the Authority; and
 - (k) allow an aggrieved trading participant to appeal against any decision of the securities exchange acting in its capacity as a recognized self-regulatory organization.
- (4) An applicant shall, as a condition for approval to operate a securities exchange—
- (a) exercise self-regulatory responsibility over its trading participants; and
 - (b) put in place independent management of and budgetary structures for the commercial and regulatory functions of the securities exchange.

[L.N. 88/2012, r. 7.]

10. Records to be maintained

Every securities exchange shall for a period of seven years maintain and preserve the following records and documents, for a period of seven years—

- (a) minutes of the meeting of—
 - (i) its shareholders;
 - (ii) its board of directors; and
 - (iii) any standing committee or committees of its board of directors;
- (b) a register of trading participant members including the full names and physical addresses of all directors and shareholders of such trading participants;
- (c) a register of representatives, authorized clerks, dealers, authorized assistants and floor traders;
- (d) a record of securities transactions by sectors for each market segment;
- (e) a statistical information on market turnover and capitalization on a monthly basis for each market segment;
- (f) a register of—
 - (i) all listed securities including the names of issuers and number of securities listed by each issuer;
 - (ii) all substantial shareholders;
 - (iii) holders of notifiable interest under regulation 75;
- (g) records of receipts and disbursement of the investors compensation fund;
- (h) annual audited accounts of its trading participants;
- (i) annual reports of all listed companies;
- (j) records containing any trading limits, margin requirements or related financial and operational limits it imposes on its trading participants on a monthly basis;
- (k) financial records of all transactions of the securities exchange including receipts and payouts, cash and bank transactions which shall also be maintained in an electronic form including—
 - (i) ledgers;

- (ii) journals; and
- (iii) bank statements and reconciliation accounts.

[L.N. 88/2012, r. 8.]

11. [Deleted by L.N. 88/2012, r. 9.]

12. Reporting obligations

- (1) A securities exchange shall within four months after the end of each financial year make available to the Authority, and to the investors, a summary of information on companies listed at the securities exchange.
- (2) The information referred to in paragraph (1) shall include the—
 - (a) published accounts of companies listed on such securities exchange including balance sheet and profit and loss statements;
 - (b) date of incorporation, date of listing, names of directors, share capital, number and value of shares issued, and any changes in the share capital;
 - (c) details of securities transacted and the prices (high, low and mid-market) at which such securities have been transacted during the year; and
 - (d) earnings per share, dividend per share, shareholding structure (institutional, individual and foreign investors), principal or controlling shareholders and total number of shareholders.
- (3) A securities exchange shall maintain information in both print and electronic form, regarding each company listed at the securities exchange and such information shall include the—
 - (a) name of the issuer and date of incorporation;
 - (b) date of listing;
 - (c) names of directors;
 - (d) principal/controlling shareholders;
 - (e) total number of shareholders;
 - (f) authorized and paid-up share capital;
 - (g) changes in authorized or paid-up share capital;
 - (h) core and auxiliary line of business;
 - (i) balance sheet and profit and loss accounts for the last five years;
 - (j) volume and price movements (high and low) of the listed security; and
 - (k) earnings per share and dividend per share.
- (4) A securities exchange shall, by the last day of March in each year, furnish the Authority with a report of its activities during the preceding calendar year and such report shall contain information on—
 - (a) changes in its rules and by-laws, if any;
 - (b) changes in the membership of its board of directors;
 - (c) composition and mandates of all the committees set up and changes (if any) in the membership of its existing ones;
 - (d) admission, suspension or expulsion of trading participants;

- (e) disciplinary action against trading participants including appointment of statutory manager;
 - (f) arbitration of disputes;
 - (g) securities listed, suspended or de-listed;
 - (h) market turnover and capitalization per sector; and
 - (i) any other matters that the Authority may request.
- (5) A securities exchange shall submit to the Authority, through electronic means, and make public a daily report on the securities transacted, the price movements on each security including low, high and average prices, and the volume of transactions in each security.
- (6) A securities exchange shall furnish the Authority within thirty days after the end of each quarter, with a report of all securities transactions for each day, including private transactions, the value of each transaction, names of the parties for each private transaction and the holders of notifiable interest disclosed to the securities exchange under Part XI of these Regulations.
- (7) (a) A financial statement of a securities exchange shall include the disclosures prescribed in the Third Schedule.
- (b) The annual accounts of a securities exchange shall be audited by an independent auditor appointed by the board of directors, with the consent of the Authority and such auditor shall not be removed without the approval of the Authority.
- (8) A securities exchange shall furnish the Authority with all documents and notices that it issues to its members in connection with the annual general meetings within ten days prior to the date of such meetings.
- (9) Communication to investors shall be by way of publication in at least two daily newspapers of national circulation.
- (10) A securities exchange shall immediately report to the Authority by telephone and in writing whenever—
- (a) there is a delay in the opening or closing of the securities exchange;
 - (b) there is a default on settlement and delivery;
 - (c) trading is to be suspended in any security;
 - (d) there are incidences of violation of the Act or the securities exchange rules;
 - (e) there is unusual activity in the market;
 - (f) the securities exchange receives any non-public information that its chief executive believes could have a material effect on the market in general or on any specific securities; or
 - (g) the Authority requests for any information.

[L.N. 88/2012, r. 10.]

13. Listing of securities by a securities exchange

- (1) No securities exchange shall admit to listing a security which has not been approved for listing by Authority.
- (2) A securities exchange shall admit to listing without any other conditions all securities approved by the Authority arising out of—
- (a) a public offer, on attainment of the total minimum subscription of shares as disclosed in the prospectus approved by the Authority and minimum number of shareholders prescribed for the respective market segment;

- (b) an introduction;
 - (c) rights issues;
 - (d) scrip dividend offer; or
 - (e) capitalization of reserves.
- (3) A securities exchange shall provide in its listing rules and with respect to each market segment the procedure for admission to listing of securities approved for listing by the Authority.

[L.N. 32/2008, r. 2.]

Part III – STOCKBROKERS AND DEALERS

14. Application for licence

An application for a licence to operate as a stockbroker or a dealer shall be submitted to the Authority in Form 1 set out in the First Schedule.

15. Specific requirements for approval

- (1) The application under in regulation [14](#) shall be submitted together with—
- (a) the certificate of incorporation;
 - (b) the memorandum and articles of association;
 - (c) a statement of the un-audited accounts for the period of the accounting year ending not earlier than six months prior to the date of application and audited accounts for the preceding two years (where applicable);
 - (d) the prescribed fees set out in the Second Schedule;
 - (e) a business plan containing the particulars on—
 - (i) the management structure;
 - (ii) the directors, including one or more executive directors, their qualifications, addresses and details of other directorships;
 - (iii) the shareholding structure which shall disclose whether any of the shareholders will have an executive role to oversee the day to day operations of the business;
 - (iv) the shareholding structure of a dealer;
 - (v) the evidence of paid up share capital of a minimum amount of fifty million shillings in the case of a stockbroker and twenty million shillings in the case of a dealer;
 - (vi) the qualifications, experience and expertise of the chief executive must be relevant to effectively manage or operate the business of a stockbroker or dealer;
 - (vii) the proposed management and qualifications of key personnel;
 - (viii) the financial projections for three years;
 - (ix) the proposed information technology and access to the trading network in compliance with the trading, clearing, delivery and settlement requirements of the securities exchange to which the applicant intends to be admitted as a trading participant under these Regulations;
 - (x) one bank reference;
 - (xi) two business references;

- (xii) the proposed premises suitably located and equipped to provide satisfactory service to clients in the field of activity to which the licence relates or evidence acceptable to the Authority that such premises will be available;
 - (xiii) the staff capable of providing professional services to clients in the field of activity to which the licence relates or evidence acceptable to the Authority that such staff will be available;
 - (xiv) the proposed independent auditor; and
 - (xv) a declaration that no person is a director or holds beneficial interest either directly or indirectly in more than one trading participant of a securities exchange.
- (2) Every person who is, or is to be, a director, chief executive, manager or floor dealer of a stockbroker or dealer shall be fit and proper to hold the particular position that he holds or is to hold.
- (3) The applicant under paragraph (1) shall—
- (a) lodge a security of one million, five hundred thousand shillings or such higher amount with a securities exchange or a central depository as the Authority may determine, taking into account the financial position and settlement record of the applicant; or
 - (b) provide a guarantee or a security to a securities exchange or a central depository in a form acceptable or approved by the Authority in respect of which it is a trading participant or has applied for admission as a trading participant.
- (4) The eligibility of a dealer's licence shall be restricted to institutions committing funds for investment as principals in securities dealings.
- (5) Deleted by [LN 155 of 2017](#), r. 2.
- (6) Deleted by [L.N. 88/2012](#), r. 11.
- (7) Deleted by [LN 155 of 2017](#), r. 2.
- (8) Deleted by [LN 155 of 2017](#), r. 2.
- (9) Deleted by [LN 155 of 2017](#), r. 2.
- (10) An application for a stockbroker or a dealer license shall be accompanied by a letter from the securities exchange stating that the applicant meets all the relevant requirements of that securities exchange and that the securities exchange would admit the applicant if licensed by the Authority.

[[L.N. 99/2009](#), r. 2, [L.N. 88/2012](#), r. 11, [L.N. 155/2017](#), r. 2]

16. Stockbrokers' financial requirements

- (1) The level of shareholders' funds (paid up share capital and reserves) for stock brokers shall not fall below fifty million shillings at any time during the license period.
- (2) The minimum paid-up share capital shall always be unimpaired and shall not be advanced to the directors or associates of the stockbroker.
- (3) A stock broker shall maintain a liquid capital of thirty million shillings or eight per cent of its total liabilities, whichever is higher.
- (4) Deleted by [L.N. 112/2013](#), r. 3.
- (5) Deleted by [L.N. 112/2013](#), r. 3.

[[L.N. 99/2009](#), r. 3, [L.N. 88/2012](#), r. 12, [L.N. 112/2013](#), r. 3.]

17. Dealers' financial requirements and investment limits

- (1) The level of shareholders funds (paid-up share capital and reserves) shall not be below twenty million shillings, at any time during the licence period.
- (2) A dealer shall—
 - (a) set aside investment capital of not less than twenty million shillings (except as provided under paragraph (3)) in cash or portfolio of listed securities, or such higher amount as may be prescribed by the Authority; and
 - (b) *deleted by L.N. 112/2013, r. 4.*
- (3) Where a dealer is promoted by a stockbroker through a subsidiary, the minimum investment capital committed to dealing operations by the subsidiary shall not be less than five million shillings in cash or listed securities portfolio at market value or such higher amount as may be prescribed by the Authority.
- (4) A dealer shall maintain a liquid capital of thirty million shillings or eight per cent of its total liabilities, whichever is higher.
- (5) *Deleted by L.N. 112/2013, r. 4.*
- (6) *Deleted by L.N. 112/2013, r. 4.*
- (7) A dealer shall maintain an investment portfolio out of its investment capital equivalent to a minimum monthly average of fifty per cent in listed equities and the remainder in listed fixed income securities provided that within twelve months from the date of these Regulations, the investment of the minimum monthly average in listed equities shall be adjusted to sixty per cent.
- (8)
 - (a) At least an average of twenty-five per cent of the portfolio of securities held by a dealer shall be turned over every quarter and seventy-five per cent of the portfolio be turned over every twelve months.
 - (b) Every security held by a dealer shall be turned over at least once every eighteen months.
- (9) For the purposes of this regulation "turnover" means the value of securities purchased or sold during the period.

18. Financial year

The financial year of stockbrokers and dealers shall end on the 31st of December in each year.

[L.N. 112/2013, r. 4.]

19. Records to be maintained

- (1) A stockbroker and dealer shall maintain and preserve for a period of seven years, the following accounting documents—
 - (a) journals or other records of original entry containing an itemized daily record of all purchases and sales of securities, all receipts and deliveries of securities (including certificate numbers), all receipts and disbursements of cash and all debits and credits; the records shall show the account for which each transaction was effected, the name and amount of securities, the unit and aggregate purchase or sale price (if any), the trade date and the name or other designation of the person from whom the securities were purchased or received or to whom they were sold or delivered;
 - (b) ledgers, (or other records) reflecting all assets and liabilities, income, expense and capital accounts;
 - (c) detailed records of nominee accounts;

- (d) all cheque books, bank statements, cancelled cheques and bank reconciliation accounts;
 - (e) clients' accounts (or other records) itemizing separately each account of a client, all purchases, sales, receipts and deliveries of securities and all other debits and credits;
 - (f) a memorandum of each client's order received for the purchase or sale of securities; the memorandum shall show orders in chronological sequence, the time of receipt, the terms and conditions of the order or instructions and of any modification or cancellation thereof, the account for which the order was entered, the time of entry into the market for execution, the price at which the order was executed and, to the extent feasible, the time of execution or cancellation;
 - (g) copies of confirmation of all purchases and sales, notices of all other debits and credits for securities and other items for the account of client;
 - (h) records on all commissions earned on account of equities, bonds and others;
 - (i) contract books or records, showing details of all contracts entered into with trading participants of a securities exchange and duplicates of memoranda of confirmation issued to such other trading participant; and
 - (j) any other accounting documents as may be determined by the Authority.
- (2) The accounting documents specified under paragraph (1) shall be subject to inspection from time to time and without notice, by the Authority or securities exchange of which the stockbroker or dealer is a trading participant.
- (3) A stockbroker shall maintain and preserve for each person who becomes a client, records and accounts for a period of seven years containing information on—
- (a) where the client comes through an investor agent, in the agent sub-account and where the client has been attended to by the supervisor or employee of the stockbroker authorized to attend to clients in the stockbroker's account, the client's name, date of birth, address, nationality or citizenship, identification, written instructions of the client, price limit, duration of the instructions and date of order and the name and address of the investor agent (where applicable) and where the client is a company, certified copies of memorandum and articles of association and the certificate of incorporation;
 - (b) where the stockbroker, or any of its agents has made any recommendations to the client to purchase or sell any security, the record of such client shall include the client's occupation, identification, investment objectives, other information concerning the client's financial situation and needs which the stockbroker or any of its agents considered in making the recommendation, and the signature and name of the agent who made the recommendation to the client and the date when any order was given to the stockbroker or its agent and any price limit given;
 - (c) a record or records with respect to each discretionary account including—
 - (i) the client's written authorization to the stockbroker to exercise discretionary power or authority in the client's account;
 - (ii) the reason given by the client for granting discretionary power or authority in his account; and
 - (iii) the written approval of the stockbroker's designated supervisor of each transaction in such account indicating the exact time and date of such approval;
 - (d) a separate record for all complaints by clients and persons acting on behalf of clients; the complaints shall be filed alphabetically by clients' names and shall include copies of all materials relating to the complaint, and record of what action, if any has been taken by the stockbroker; copies of such materials and record of action taken shall be kept in the office through which the client's account is handled;

- (e) a separate record of all securities transactions by the stockbroker's or dealer's employees and directors in their own name or under nominees' accounts;
 - (f) a separate record of all securities transactions between the stockbroker or dealer, and all listed companies in which the directors of the stockbroker or dealer have an interest; and
 - (g) such other records as the Authority shall determine from time to time.
- (4) A stockbroker shall decline to take an order if, after reasonable inquiry, the client declines to furnish such items of information as required in paragraph (3)(a), (b) and (c) and a statement to that effect is placed in the records, provided, however, that the client's records shall state the client's name and address.

[L.N. 88/2012, r. 13.]

20. Client accounts

A stockbroker shall—

- (a) deposit clients' funds in one or more bank account(s), which account(s) shall contain only clients' funds and be clearly marked "clients' accounts". Such client accounts shall not be overdrawn for any reason;
- (b) maintain a separate record for each account showing the name and address of the bank where the account is maintained, the dates, amounts of deposits and withdrawals and also the exact amount of each client's beneficial interest in the account;
- (c) reconcile such accounts on a regular basis to ensure the amount indicated corresponds with the balances in the client account at any given time; and
- (d) ensure that clients' orders for payments made in advance shall be executed according to clients' instructions and in any event not later than one month from the date of receipt of the clients' funds. Orders not executed within one month for whatever reason shall be renewed by fresh instructions from the client.

21. Reporting obligations

- (1) Every stockbroker and dealer shall submit to the Authority and to the securities exchange of which they are trading participants—
 - (a) quarterly reports and accounts within fifteen days of the end of each calendar quarter;
 - (b) half yearly reports and accounts within thirty days of the end of each half year; and
 - (c) audited annual accounts within three months following the end of the stockbroker and dealer's financial year;
 - (d) a financial statement complying with the disclosures prescribed under the Fourth Schedule of these Regulations.
- (2) Every stockbroker or dealer shall prepare monthly reports and accounts within fifteen days the end of each calendar month which shall be made available to the Authority at such times as the Authority may request.

[L.N. 99/2009, r. 4, L.N. 88/2012, r. 14.]

22. Conduct of stockbrokers and dealers

- (1) Stockbrokers and dealers shall—
 - (a) operate independently of any other stockbroker or dealer;

- (b) conduct the business efficiently, honestly, and fairly, with the integrity and professional skills appropriate to the nature and scale of activities;
 - (c) have no formal or informal agreement with a trading participant of the same securities exchange whether through an association or not, relating to the stockbroker's or dealer's trading activity, personnel, commissions or any joint activity that is likely to undermine the competitiveness or fair trade practices and service to clients.
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), in consideration whether a stockbroker or dealer is conducting or will conduct business efficiently, honestly and fairly, regard shall be made to the management and organizational structure, reporting principles and procedures, internal audit procedures, procedures for compliance with the securities laws and risk management policies which the stockbroker or dealer has adopted or proposes to adopt for its business.

[L.N. 88/2012, r. 15.]

22A. Conducting business through a stock broking agent

- (1) A stockbroker may conduct business through a stockbroking agent provided the stockbroking agent has been contracted in writing to render such services.
- (2) Every stockbroker shall forward to the Authority, on an annual basis, a register of any stockbroking agents contracted pursuant to paragraph (1) and shall notify the Authority of any amendment to the register of agents within five working days of such change.
- (3) A stockbroker shall be responsible for conducting all necessary due diligence to establish the competence, fitness and propriety of any person so appointed as a stockbroking agent, having specific regard to the past experiences and conduct of any such person, in establishing his capacity to facilitate the purchase and sale of securities as an agent of the stockbroker in the best interests of investors.
- (4) A stockbroker shall submit to the Authority for approval the standard form agency agreement they propose to enter into with their stockbroking agents and shall thereafter secure the approval of the Authority prior to amending such agreement.
- (5) A stockbroker shall not appoint as its agent any person already appointed by another stockbroker as its agent:

Provided that a stockbroker who, at the commencement of this provision, has appointed an agent who acts for more than one stockbroker shall, within six months of the commencement, comply with the requirements of this provision.
- (6) A stockbroking agent shall not handle or deal with clients' funds.
- (7) The stockbroker shall be responsible for ensuring that the stockbroking agent conducts his business efficiently, honestly and fairly with the integrity and professional skills appropriate to the nature and scale of activities and in accordance with the provisions of the Act and Regulations issued thereunder.
- (8) In the event of any misconduct by the stockbroking agent, the stockbroker who appointed the stockbroking agent shall report the misconduct to the Authority within forty-eight hours of the occurrence of the misconduct.

[L.N. 99/2009, r. 5.]

23. Conduct of stockbrokers

- (1) A stockbroker shall—
 - (a) execute an order only where the client has made sufficient arrangements for funds or securities with the stockbroker;

- (b) only accept written orders and shall ensure that the client is not only capable of honouring the order before acting on the order, but has made arrangements with the stockbroker for fulfilment of its obligations arising from such order;
 - (c) execute clients' orders in the chronological sequence of orders received and which have been so recorded in accordance with these Regulations and shall give priority to orders of clients over orders of any shareholder or employee of the stockbroker or related dealer subsidiary, whether directly or indirectly;
 - (d) maintain a daily record of orders received from clients showing the name of each client, the specific order and time the order was given, and execute the same in order of receipt;
 - (e) exercise due diligence and care at all times so as not to misinform or misdirect clients;
 - (f) while accepting an order from a client, inform the client of all constituent parts of an order prior to executing the order and get the client to give a written declaration to confirm the same;
 - (g) provide factual and accurate information to clients' through newsletters and advertisements;
 - (h) not recommend to a client the purchase, sale or exchange of any security without reasonable grounds to believe that the recommendation is suitable for the client on the basis of information furnished by the client after reasonable inquiry concerning the client's investment objectives, financial situation and needs, and any other information known or acquired by the stockbroker after reasonable examination of the client's financial records.
- (2) An "order" for the purpose of this regulation, shall constitute written instructions by a client to a stockbroker as to the security name, quantity, price or price limits and duration or validity of instructions.

24. Prohibited dealings and associations

- (1) No stockbroker or dealer shall—
- (a) create a false market in any listed security by way of any artificial device including but not limited to advising clients to buy or sell a particular security while selling or buying through its dealing or related party transactions, without disclosing that fact to the investors;
 - (b) establish a corner or trade where a corner has developed in a listed security;
 - (c) negotiate on any issue relating to trading with any other person on the trading floor of the securities exchange;
 - (d) be party to any trading and price manipulative scheme or device which may directly or indirectly influence or interfere with the market price formation and fair trading process with respect to any listed security;
 - (e) make general recommendations to the public on particular securities through publications or statements; or
 - (f) sell securities which are not registered in the name of the stockbrokers' client or central depository in the case of a depository environment.
- (2) For the purposes of this regulation, "a corner" shall be deemed to arise when a single interest or group has acquired such control of any listed security that the same cannot be obtained except at prices or on terms dictated by such single interest or group.

25. Sale of securities

- (1) No stockbroker or dealer shall sell securities unless, at the time of the sale—
- (a) the stockbroker or dealer has or, in the case of a stockbroker, its client has; or

- (b) the stockbroker or dealer believes on reasonable grounds, that it has, or in the case of a stockbroker, its client has,
- an existing exercisable and unconditional right to vest the securities in a purchaser of the securities.
- (2) A person who, at any particular time, has an existing exercisable and unconditional right to have securities vested in him or in accordance with his directions shall be deemed to have at that time a presently exercisable and unconditional right to vest the securities in another person.
- (3) A right of a person to vest securities in another person shall not be deemed not to be unconditional by reason only of the fact that the securities are charged or pledged in favour of another person to secure the repayment of money.
- (4) For purposes of this Part, a person shall be deemed to sell securities where he—
- (a) purports to sell securities;
 - (b) offers to sell securities;
 - (c) holds himself out as entitled to sell securities; or
 - (d) instructs a stockbroker to sell securities.

26. Code of conduct to be approved

- (1) Any proposed code of conduct or agreements to self-regulate the operations of stockbrokers and dealers, shall be submitted to the Authority for prior approval and must be consistent with these Regulations.
- (2) No code of conduct of any associations or agreements of stockbrokers or dealers whether in written form or not shall seek to restrict free negotiation or competition by trading participants with regard to commissions payable on any transactions as provided in the Fifth Schedule.

[L.N. 88/2012, r. 16.]

27. Payment of transaction and Investor Compensation Fund fees

All stockbrokers and dealers shall pay to the Authority and to the securities exchange of which they are trading participants the fees prescribed as payable by every buyer and seller of a security and shall pay to the Investor Compensation Fund the fees prescribed as payable by each buying and selling stockbroker, or dealer within fifteen days following a transaction.

[L.N. 88/2012, r. 17.]

Part IV – INVESTMENT ADVISERS AND FUND MANAGERS

28. Application for license

- (1) A sole proprietor, company, partnership or limited liability partnership may apply to the Authority for a licence to operate as an investment advisor.
- (2) A company may apply to the Authority for a licence to operate as a fund manager.
- (3) An application for a license in paragraphs (1) or (2) shall be submitted to the Authority, in duplicate, in Form 1 as set out in the First Schedule.

[L.N. 67/2022, r. 2.]

29. Specific requirements for approval

- (1) The application under regulation 28 shall be submitted together with—
 - (a) certificate of incorporation or registration;
 - (b) memorandum and articles of association in case of a company;
 - (c) a statement of the un-audited accounts for the period of the accounting year ending not earlier than six months prior to the date of application and the applicant's audited accounts for the preceding two years (where applicable);
 - (d) a business plan containing the particulars on—
 - (i) the management structure;
 - (ii) the directors, including one or more executive directors, their qualifications, addresses and details of other directorships;
 - (iii) the shareholding structure, disclosing whether any of the shareholders will have an executive role to oversee the day-to-day operations of the business;
 - (iv) the evidence of a minimum paid-up share capital of not less than ten million shillings for fund managers;
 - (v) the qualifications, experience and expertise of the chief executive;
 - (vi) the proposed management and qualifications of key personnel;
 - (vii) the financial projections for three years;
 - (viii) the particulars of the proposed operating and information technology system;
 - (ix) one bank reference;
 - (x) two business references;
 - (xi) the proposed premises suitably located and equipped to provide satisfactory service to clients in the field of activity to which the licence relates or evidence acceptable to the Authority that such premises will be available;
 - (xii) the staff capable of providing professional services to clients in the field of activity to which the licence relates or evidence acceptable to the Authority that such staff will be available;
 - (xiii) the proposed independent auditor where applicable;
 - (e) the fees prescribed in the Second Schedule.
- (2) Every person who is, or is to be, a director, chief executive or manager of an investment adviser or fund manager, shall be fit and proper to hold the particular position which he holds or is to hold.
- (3) A person shall not carry on or hold out himself as carrying on the business of a fund manager of a registered venture capital company unless that person is a fund manager licensed by the Authority.
- (4) An application for a licence under paragraph (3) shall be made to the Authority in writing and be accompanied by—
 - (a) a detailed information on qualifications, experience and expertise of the directors, chief executive and senior investment in managing venture capital investments and private equity; and
 - (b) information proving ability to provide technical and managerial expertise to eligible venture capital enterprises.

- (5) The Authority shall publish the names of all fund managers it has licensed to manage registered venture capital companies in the *Kenya Gazette*.

[[L.N. 32/2008](#), r. 3, [L.N. 67/2022](#), r. 3.]

30. Financial requirements

- (1) Deleted by [L.N. 67/2022](#), r. 4(a).
- (2) The level of shareholders funds (paid-up share capital and reserves) for fund managers, shall not fall below ten million shillings at any time during the licence period.
- (3) The paid-up share capital fund manager shall always be unimpaired and shall not be advanced to the directors or associates fund manager.
- (4) A fund manager shall maintain a liquid capital of five million shillings or eight per cent of its total liabilities, whichever is higher.
- (5) Deleted by [L.N. 112/2013](#), r. 5.
- (6) Deleted by [L.N. 112/2013](#), r. 5.
- (7) Deleted by [L.N. 67/2022](#), r. 4(d).

[[L.N. 112/2013](#), r. 5, [L.N. 67/2022](#), r. 4.]

31. Records to be maintained

- (1) Every investment adviser and fund manager shall maintain and preserve for a period of seven years, the following records—
- (a) journals, including cash receipts and disbursement records and any other records or original entry, forming the basis of entries in any ledger;
 - (b) general and auxiliary ledgers, or other comparable records reflecting assets, liabilities, reserves, capital, income and expense accounts;
 - (c) a record or memorandum of each order given by the investment adviser or fund manager for the purchase or sale of securities, or any instruction received by the investment adviser or fund manager from the client concerning the purchase, sale, receipt or delivery of a particular security and of any modification or cancellation or any such order or instruction, and the record shall—
 - (i) show the terms and conditions of the order, instruction, modification or cancellation;
 - (ii) identify the person connected with the investment adviser or fund manager who recommended the transaction to the client and the person who placed such order;
 - (iii) show the account for which the order was entered, the date of entry, and the stockbroker by or through whom the order was executed, where appropriate; and
 - (iv) show orders entered pursuant to the exercise of discretionary power on account of management of investment portfolios in which case a record of details of such contracts with clients, constituents of the portfolio, transaction fees agreed with the client and value of the portfolio shall be included;
 - (d) all cheque books, bank statements, cancelled cheques and cash reconciliation of the investment adviser or fund manager;
 - (e) all bills, statements or copies thereof, paid or unpaid relating to the business of the investment adviser or the fund manager;

- (f) originals of all written communication received from clients and copies of all written communication sent by the investment adviser or fund manager relating to—
 - (i) any recommendations made or proposed to be given;
 - (ii) any receipts, disbursement or delivery of funds or securities; and
 - (iii) the placing or execution of any order to purchase or sell any security; provided, that if the investment adviser or fund manager sends any notice, circular or other advertisement offering any report, analysis, publication or other investment advisory services to more than ten persons, the investment adviser or fund manager shall not be required to keep a record of the names and addresses of the persons to whom it was sent except that if such notice, circular or advertisement is distributed to persons named on any list, the investment adviser or fund manager shall retain a copy of such notice, circular or advertisement, a record or memorandum describing the list and the source thereof;
 - (g) *deleted by L.N. 67/2022, r. 5(a);*
 - (h) *deleted by L.N. 67/2022, r. 5(b);*
 - (i) all written agreements or copies thereof entered into by the investment adviser or fund manager with any client or otherwise relating to the investment adviser's or fund manager's business;
 - (j) a copy of each notice, circular, advertisement, newspaper article, investment letter, bulletin or other communication recommending the purchase or sale of a specific security, which the investment adviser or fund manager circulates or distributes, directly or indirectly, to ten or more persons, and if such notice, circular, advertisement, newspaper article, investment letter, bulletin or other communication does not state the reasons for such recommendation, a memorandum from the investment adviser or fund manager (as the case may be) indicating the reasons thereof; all advertisements by the investment adviser or fund manager and all records, worksheets and calculations necessary to form the basis for performance data in such advertisements;
 - (k) a record of every transaction in a security in which the investment adviser or fund manager or any of the investment adviser or fund manager's employees acquire any direct or indirect beneficial ownership; the record shall state the title and amount of the security involved, the date, whether the transaction was a purchase or sale or other acquisition or disposition, the price at which it was effected, and the name of the stockbroker with or through whom the transaction was effected; and
 - (l) a copy of each written statement, the amendment or revision thereof, given or sent to any client or prospective client of such investment adviser or fund manager and a record of the dates that the same was given or offered to be given;
 - (m) any other records as may be determined by the Authority.
- (2) The records specified under paragraph (1) shall be subject to inspection from time to time and without notice, by the Authority.
- (3) Each investment adviser and fund manager shall preserve and maintain clients' records of securities or funds and if required produce for inspection by the Authority such books, records and ledgers, or other accepted accounting and additional records as may be required by the Authority for a period of seven years and shall—
- (a) notify the Authority of the custodian appointed; and
 - (b) segregate the securities of each client and mark such securities to identify the particular client having the beneficial interest therein.

[L.N. 67/2022, r. 5.]

32. Reporting obligations

- (1) Every fund manager shall submit to the Authority—
 - (a) quarterly management accounts and reports of the portfolio under its management within fifteen days of the end of each calendar quarter:

Provided that every fund manager shall prepare monthly reports of the portfolio under its management within fifteen days of the end of each calendar month, which shall be made available to the Authority at such times as the Authority may require;
 - (b) half-yearly reports of the portfolio under its management within thirty days of the end of each half-year, including reports of its own financial performance;
 - (c) annual reports of the total value of the portfolio under its management including the number of clients; and
 - (d) audited annual accounts for its operations in the form prescribed in the Fourth Schedule within three months following the closure of the financial year.
- (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (1), the Authority may require such other form of financial statement as it may from time to time specify.

[L.N. 99/2009, r. 6, L.N. 67/2022, r. 6.]

33. Conduct of investment advisers and fund managers

- (1) No investment adviser or fund manager shall—
 - (a) recommend to a client to whom investment, supervisory, management or consulting services are provided, the purchase or sale of any security without reasonable grounds to believe that the recommendation is suitable for the client on the basis of information furnished by the client after reasonable inquiry concerning the client's investment objectives, financial situation and needs, and any other information known or acquired by the investment adviser or fund manager after reasonable examination of the client's financial records;
 - (b) place an order to purchase or sell a security for the account of a client without written authority to do so;
 - (c) place an order to purchase or sell a security for the account of a client upon instruction of a third party without first having obtained a written third-party authorization from the client;
 - (d) exercise any discretionary power in placing an order for the purchase or sale of securities for a client without obtaining written discretionary authority from the client;
 - (e) induce trading in a client's account that is excessive in size or frequency in view of the financial resources, investment objectives and character of the account;
 - (f) misrepresent to any client, or prospective client, its qualifications or misrepresent the nature of the advisory services being offered or fees to be charged for such service or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements regarding qualifications, services or fees, in light of the circumstances under which they are made, not misleading;
 - (g) provide a report or recommendation to any client prepared by someone other than the investment adviser without disclosing that fact;
 - (h) fail to disclose to clients in writing before any advice is rendered any material conflict of interest relating to the investment adviser or fund manager or any of the investment

adviser's or fund manager's employees, which could reasonably be expected to impair the rendering of unbiased and objective advice, including—

- (i) compensation arrangements connected with advisory services to clients which are in addition to compensation from such clients for such services; or
 - (ii) charging a client an advisory fee for rendering advice when a commission for executing securities transactions pursuant to such advice will be received by the investment adviser or fund manager or his employees;
- (i) guarantee a client that a specific result will be achieved arising from the advice which will be rendered except in the case of fixed income securities;
 - (j) publish, circulate or distribute any advertisement which does not comply with the Act;
 - (k) disclose the identity, affairs, or investment of any client to any third party unless required by law, court order or a regulatory agency to do so, or unless consented to by the client; and
 - (l) enter into, extend or renew any investment advisory contract unless such contract is in writing and discloses in substance the services to be provided, the term of the contract, the advisory fee, the formula for computing the fee, the amount of prepaid fee to be returned in the event of contract termination or non-performance, whether the contract grants discretionary power to the investment adviser or fund manager and that no assignment of such contract shall be made by the investment adviser or fund manager without the consent of the other party to the contract;
 - (m) fail to register all securities marketed and offered to clients by the investment adviser or fund manager or otherwise inform the client that the securities offered to them have not been registered with or approved by the Authority.
- (2) Any information provided by investment advisers or fund managers to clients through newsletters and advertisements shall be factual and accurate.
 - (3) No investment adviser or fund manager shall loan money to a client unless the investment adviser or fund manager is a financial institution engaged in the business of loaning funds or the client is an affiliate of the investment adviser or fund manager.
 - (4) An investment adviser or fund manager may not contract or engage any advisory or management services on behalf of an investment portfolio without prior written approval of its clients. The investment adviser or fund manager shall remain liable hereunder—
 - (a) for any act or omission of the sub-contracted investment adviser or fund manager;
 - (b) the fees and expenses of any such person, which shall not be payable out of the fund of the portfolio investments; and
 - (c) any expenses incurred by any such person which if incurred by the investment adviser or the fund manager would have been payable out of the fund of the investment portfolio.
 - (5) When accepting an order from a client the investment adviser or fund manager shall inform the client of all constituent parts of the service agreement prior to executing the order and get the client to give it a written declaration to confirm the same.
 - (6) The investment adviser or fund manager shall be fair and equitable in the event of any conflict of interest that may arise in the course of its duties.

34. Appointment of a custodian

- (1) A fund manager that manages discretionary funds shall appoint a custodian for the assets of the Fund.
- (2) A custodian of an investment portfolio may in relation to the fund manager be a holding company or a subsidiary company within the meaning of the terms as defined in section 154 of

the Companies Act ([Cap. 486](#)) or be deemed by the Authority to be otherwise under control of substantially the same persons or consist substantially of the same shareholders, provided that the investment in a related company shall be limited to ten per cent of the total funds managed by the fund manager.

- (3) The Authority may revoke the approval of a custodian if at any time thereafter the custodian ceases to satisfy the requirements of these Regulations.

[[L.N. 67/2022](#), r. 7.]

35. Duties of a custodian

- (1) A custodian shall render custodial services to the investment portfolio managed by the investment adviser or fund manager in accordance with the written service agreement between the custodian and the investment adviser or fund manager as the case may be and such service shall include—
- (a) taking into its custody or under its control all the property of the clients of the fund manager and hold it in trust for the clients in accordance with the provisions of the written service agreement provided that cash and registrable assets shall be registered in the name of or to the order of the clients by the custodian;
 - (b) receiving and keeping in safe custody title documents, securities and cash amounts of the investment portfolio;
 - (c) opening an account in the name of each client for the exclusive benefit of such investment portfolio;
 - (d) transferring, exchanging or delivering in the required form and manner securities held by the custodian upon receipt of proper instructions from the investment adviser or fund manager;
 - (e) requiring from the investment adviser or fund manager as the case may be, such information as it deems necessary for the performance of its functions as a custodian;
 - (f) promptly delivering to the fund manager or to such other persons as fund manager may authorize, copies of all notices, proxies, proxy soliciting materials received by the custodian in relation to the securities held in the fund account, all public information, financial reports and stockholder communications the custodian may receive from the issuers of securities and all other information the custodian may receive, as may be agreed between the custodian, fund manager;
 - (g) exercising subscription, purchase or other similar rights represented by the securities subject to receipt of proper instructions from the fund manager;
 - (h) exercising the same standard of care that it exercises over its own assets in holding, maintaining, servicing and disposing of property and in fulfilling obligations in the agreement;
 - (i) where title to investments are recorded electronically, ensuring that entitlements of the clients of the fund manager are separately identified in the records of entitlement maintained by the custodian.
- (2) A custodian shall in executing its duties under paragraph (1) exercise the degree of care expected of a prudent professional custodian for hire.
- (3) A custodian discharging its contractual duties to an investment adviser or fund manager shall not contract agents to discharge those functions except where a portion of the investment portfolio is invested in offshore investments in which case the custodian may engage the services of an overseas sub-custodian approved by the fund manager as the case may be with notification of such appointment to the Authority.

- (4) The agreement referred to in paragraph (1) between the custodian and the fund manager shall make provision on the computation of the fee in respect of custodial services which will be disclosed to the clients by the fund manager in the annual report.

[L.N. 67/2022, r. 8.]

36. Custodian's records and reports

- (1) A custodian shall keep such records as may be necessary to ascertain—
- (a) the entire fund of the investment portfolio held by the custodian;
 - (b) each transaction carried out by the custodian on behalf of the fund manager as the case may be.
- (2) The records referred to in paragraph (1) shall be subject to inspection by the fund manager as the case may be or a duly authorized agent of the Authority within the premises of the custodian at any time during business hours.
- (3) The custodian shall make available to the fund manager—
- (a) a written statement at agreed reporting dates which lists all assets of the fund manager's clients in the clients' account(s) together with a full account of all receipts and payments made and other actions taken by the custodian;
 - (b) an advice or notification of any transfers of property or securities to or from the fund managers clients' account(s) and indicating the securities acquired for the account(s), the identity of the party having physical possession of such securities; and
 - (c) a copy of the most recent audited financial statements of the custodian prepared together with such information regarding the policies and procedures of the custodian as the investment manager or fund manager may request in connection with the agreement or the duties of the custodian under that agreement.
- (4) The custodian shall prepare and submit to the Authority an annual report demonstrating how compliance with these Regulations and its service agreement have been achieved.

[L.N. 67/2022, r. 9]

37. Retirement of a custodian

- (1) A custodian shall not retire voluntarily except upon the appointment of a successor approved by the Authority.
- (2) Where a custodian desires to retire or ceases to be registered as a custodian with the Authority, the investment adviser or the fund manager as the case may be may with the approval of the Authority appoint another eligible person to be a custodian in its place.

38. Removal of a custodian

- (1) A custodian may be removed by the investment adviser or fund manager by notice in writing where —
- (a) the custodian goes into liquidation other than a voluntary liquidation for the purpose of reconstruction or amalgamation or where a statutory manager or a receiver is appointed over any of its assets;
 - (b) the custodian ceases to be an authorized depository or ceases to carry on business as a bank or financial institution;

- (c) the custodian fails or neglects after reasonable notice from the investment adviser or fund manager, to carry out or satisfy any duty imposed on the custodian in accordance with the agreement; or
 - (d) the directors of the investment adviser or fund manager as the case may be, by extraordinary resolution resolve that such notice be given, and the investment adviser or fund manager with the approval of the Authority appoints as custodian some other qualified authorized depository.
- (2) On receipt of the notice referred to in paragraph (1) by the investment adviser or the fund manager, the service agreement between investment adviser or the fund manager as the case may be and the custodian shall be deemed to have been terminated.
- (3) In the event of a termination of the service agreement as referred to in paragraph (2) or from the date of winding-up order issued by a court against the custodian, the custodian shall hand over, all assets, documents and funds including those from the bank account(s) of the investment adviser or fund manager held by such custodian to the custodian appointed in writing by investment adviser or fund manager (as the case may be) and approved by the Authority within thirty days from the date of such termination.
- (4) The custodian shall submit to the Authority an audit report indicating the assets, liabilities and an inventory of the investment portfolio, securities and title documents of the assets which have been handed over, transferred and delivered to the appointed custodian within twenty days from the termination of the service agreement.

Part V – INVESTMENT BANKS

39. Application for licence and specific requirements for approval

- (1) An application for a licence to operate as an investment bank shall be submitted to the Authority in Form 1 set out in the First Schedule.
- (2) The application referred to in paragraph (1) shall be submitted together with—
- (a) the certificate of incorporation;
 - (b) the memorandum and articles of association;
 - (c) a statement of the un-audited accounts for the period of the accounting year ending not earlier than six months prior to the date of application and applicant's audited accounts for the preceding two years (where applicable);
 - (d) a business plan containing the particulars on—
 - (i) management and shareholding structure of the investment bank;
 - (ii) directors, including their qualifications, addresses and details of other directorships;
 - (iii) evidence of paid up share capital of a minimum amount of two hundred and fifty million shillings;
 - (iv) qualifications, experience and expertise of the chief executive and dealers that must be relevant to effectively manage or operate the business of an investment bank;
 - (v) proposed operating systems including dealing infrastructure suitably located and equipped to provide satisfactory service to clients; and
 - (vi) staff capable of providing professional services to clients in the field of activity to which the licence relates or evidence acceptable to the Authority that such staff will be available;
 - (e) the fees prescribed in the Second Schedule;

- (f) the name of the proposed independent auditor.
- (3) An Investment Bank which intends to be admitted as a trading participant at a securities exchange shall submit a letter from the securities exchange which the applicant is seeking admission as a trading participant confirming the admission of that applicant upon securing a license from the Authority.

[L.N. 99/2009, r. 7, L.N. 88/2012, r. 18.]

40. Authorized functions

An investment banks shall be a non-deposit taking institution and shall carry out all or any of the following functions—

- (a) offering advisory services on—
 - (i) public offering of securities;
 - (ii) corporate financial restructuring, takeover, mergers, acquisitions and privatization;
 - (iii) corporate financing, options including issuance of equity or debt securities or loan syndication;
- (b) engaging in the business of a stockbroker subject to regulation 42;
- (c) engaging in the business of a dealer;
- (d) promoting or arranging underwriting or issuance of securities;
- (e) promoting and acting as a fund manager of collective investment schemes;
- (f) providing investment advisory services and contractual portfolio management.

41. Admission to a securities exchange

A person licensed by the Authority as an investment bank shall be eligible to apply for admission as a trading participant with a securities exchange:

Provided that the licensed investment bank complies with the eligibility requirements of the admitting securities exchange.

[L.N. 88/2012, r. 19.]

42. [Deleted by L.N. 88/2012, r. 20.]

43. Conduct of investment banks

An investment bank shall comply with the provisions on client accounts, records to be maintained, reporting obligations, conduct, prohibited dealings and associations, investment requirements and appointment of custodian, relating to stockbrokers, broking agents, dealers, investment advisers and fund managers and payment of transaction and investor compensation fees relating to stockbrokers, stockbroking agents and dealers as set out in these Regulations, where applicable.

[L.N. 99/2009, r. 8.]

44. Financial requirements

- (1) The level of paid-up share capital shall not fall below two hundred and fifty million shillings at any time during the licence period and in addition, shareholders' funds (paid up share capital and Reserves) shall at no time fall below two hundred and fifty million shillings:

Provided that any investment bank whose paid-up share capital is below the required amount at the time of commencement of this paragraph shall comply by the 31st December 2010.

- (2) The minimum paid-up share capital shall always be unimpaired and shall not be advanced to the directors or associates of the investment bank.
- (3) Deleted by [L.N. 112/2013](#), r. 6.
- (4) An investment bank shall maintain a liquid capital of thirty million or eight per cent of its total liabilities, whichever is higher.
- (5) Deleted by [L.N. 112/2013](#), r. 6.

[[L.N. 99/2009](#), r. 9, [L.N. 88/2012](#), r. 21, [L.N. 112/2013](#), r. 6.]

Part VI – AUTHORISED SECURITIES DEALERS

45. Application for licence

- (1) An application for a licence to operate as an authorized securities dealer shall be submitted to the Authority in Form 1 set out in the First Schedule.
- (2) An applicant shall be—
 - (a) a bank licensed under the Banking Act ([Cap. 488](#));
 - (b) an investment bank or a fund manager;
 - (c) an insurance company licensed under the Insurance Act ([Cap. 487](#)); or
 - (d) any other person who meets the requirements of this Part and approved by the Authority, and who shall demonstrate effective capacity and expertise in dealing in securities.
- (3) An applicant under paragraph (2) shall demonstrate effective capacity and expertise in dealing in securities.
- (4) An authorized securities dealer who intends to be admitted as a trading participant at a securities exchange shall submit a letter from the securities exchange, which the applicant is seeking admission to as a trading participant, confirming that applicant shall be admitted into the securities exchange upon securing a license from the Authority.

[[L.N. 88/2012](#), r. 22, [L.N. 112/2013](#), r. 7.]

46. Specific requirements for approval

The application under regulation 45 shall be submitted together with—

- (a) the certificate of incorporation;
- (b) the memorandum and articles of association;
- (c) evidence of the minimum paid up share capital prescribed by the Authority;
- (d) evidence of the minimum financial resources and financial capability prescribed by the Authority;
- (e) a statement of the un-audited accounts for the period of the accounting year ending not earlier than six months prior to the date of application and the applicant's audited accounts for the preceding two years (where applicable);
- (f) a business plan containing the particulars on—
 - (i) management and shareholding structure of the applicant;

- (ii) directors, including their qualifications, addresses and details of other directorships;
 - (iii) Deleted by [L.N. 112/2013](#), r. 8.
 - (iv) qualifications, experience and expertise of the chief dealer which must be relevant to effectively manage or operate the business of dealing in fixed income securities;
 - (v) the proposed operating system including dealing infrastructure suitably located and equipped to effectively carry out its operations;
- (g) the fees prescribed in the Second Schedule.

[[L.N. 112/2013](#), r. 8.]

47. [Deleted by [L.N. 112/2013](#), r. 9.]

48. Functions and membership on a securities exchange

- (1) An authorized securities dealer shall be—
- (a) restricted to dealing in fixed income securities whether listed on an approved exchange or not;
 - (b) entitled to trade on behalf of others as well as on their own account in such segment; and
 - (c) required to implement necessary operational, trading and settlement procedures and systems necessary to minimize settlement and counter party risk and manage conflicts of interest.
- (2) A person licensed by the Authority as an authorized securities dealer shall be eligible to apply to be admitted as a trading participant with a securities exchange:
- Provided that the authorized securities dealer meets the eligibility requirements of the admitting securities exchange.
- (3) An authorized securities dealer shall comply with the provisions on client accounts, conduct of business, prohibited dealings and associations and investment requirements and appointment of custodian relating to stockbrokers, stockbroking agents, dealers, investment advisers and fund managers and payment of transaction and investor compensation fees relating to stockbrokers and dealers as set out in these Regulations, where applicable.

[[L.N. 88/2012](#), r. 23, [L.N. 112/2013](#), r. 10.]

49. Records of transactions

In addition to the requirements specified under regulation [48\(3\)](#) every authorized securities dealer shall maintain a record of its daily dealing transactions which shall include particulars on—

- (a) type of security;
- (b) value of trade;
- (c) counter party; and
- (d) nature of account.

[[L.N. 112/2013](#), r. 11.]

50. Report of dealing transactions

- (1) Every authorised securities dealer shall, in respect of all its transactions in securities, whether or not such securities are traded on an approved exchange, submit to the Authority—
 - (a) monthly reports and accounts within fifteen days of the end of each calendar month;
 - (b) quarterly reports and accounts within fifteen days of the end of each calendar quarter;
 - (c) half yearly reports and accounts within thirty days of the end of each year;
 - (d) audited annual accounts within three months following the end of the authorized securities dealer financial year; and
 - (e) a financial statement complying with the disclosures prescribed under the Fourth Schedule of these Regulations.
- (2) The Authority may require such other form of financial statement as it may from time to time specify.
- (3) The reports referred to in paragraph (1) shall include particulars on the—
 - (a) type of securities;
 - (b) total value of securities traded in terms of sales and purchases during the relevant period; and
 - (c) average yield of the total value of securities traded during the relevant period.

[L.N. 112/2013, r. 12.]

Part VII – GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSING

51. Renewal of licence

- (1) An application for the renewal of a licence shall be submitted to the Authority in Form 1 set out in the First Schedule by the 30th of November of each year.
- (2) The application under paragraph (1) shall be submitted together with—
 - (a) the fees set out in the Second Schedule;
 - (b) where the application is for the renewal of a licence, management accounts for the period up to 30th November of each year not later than the 15th December in the same year.
- (3) Authorised securities dealers shall submit the annual accounts and report the dealings operations as may be required by the Authority.
- (4) The audited accounts for each year shall be submitted to the Authority not later than the 31st day of March.
- (4A) The financial year of every licensed person shall be the period of twelve months ending on the 31st December in each year:

Provided that where the financial year of a licensed person is different from that prescribed in this paragraph at the commencement of this paragraph, the licensed person shall comply therewith within twelve months of such commencement.

[L.N. 99/2009, r. 10.]

51A. Financial Statements

- (1) All financial statements prepared by licensees shall be prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards.
- (2) Collective investment schemes, stockbrokers, dealers, fund managers and investment banks shall publish in at least two daily newspapers of national circulation—
 - (a) half-year unaudited financial statements within two months after the end of the first half of the financial year; and
 - (b) full-year audited financial statements within three months after the end of the financial year.

[L.N. 99/2009, r. 11.]

51B. Professional indemnity insurance

- (1) Stockbrokers and investment banks shall obtain professional indemnity insurance to secure an amount not less than five times their daily average turnover.
- (2) For the purposes of paragraph (1), the daily average turnover shall be calculated based on the firm's turnover for the previous year, where applicable, or such amount as the Authority may determine.
- (3) Fund managers shall obtain professional indemnity insurance to secure such amount as the Authority may determine based on the portfolio under the management of the Fund Manager.
- (4) Investment advisers shall obtain professional indemnity insurance the value of which shall not be less than five hundred thousand shillings.

[L.N. 99/2009, r. 11, L.N. 67/2022, r. 10.]

51C. Display of audited balance sheet

Every licensed stockbroker fund manager and investment bank shall display throughout the year in a conspicuous position in every office and branch in Kenya, copies of its last audited balance sheet and profit and loss statement which shall be in conformity with the minimum financial disclosure requirements prescribed from time to time by the Authority, and shall include a copy of the auditor's report together with full and correct names of all persons who are directors of the licensee.

[L.N. 99/2009, r. 11.]

52. Determination of suitability

In determining whether a person is fit and proper to hold any particular position, regard shall be had to—

- (a) his probity, competence and soundness of judgment in fulfilling the responsibilities of that position;
- (b) the diligence with which he is fulfilling or likely to fulfil those responsibilities;
- (c) whether the interests of customers, are or are likely to be in any way threatened by his holding that position, by virtue of past convictions or offences, involvement in irregularities, misappropriation of funds or manipulation of securities markets transactions;
- (d) has contravened the provision of any law designed for the protection of members of the public against financial loss due to dishonesty or incompetence of, or malpractice by, persons engaged in transacting with marketable securities;
- (e) was a director of a brokerage firm that has been liquidated or is under liquidation or statutory management;

- (f) has taken part in any business practice that, in the opinion of the Authority, was fraudulent, prejudicial or otherwise improper (whether unlawful or not) or which otherwise discredited his methods of conducting business;
- (g) has taken part or been associated with any other business practice as would, or has otherwise conducted himself in such manner as to, cast doubt on his competence and soundness of judgment;
- (h) whether he has been convicted of an economic crime under the Anti-Corruption and Economic Crimes Act ([Cap. 65](#)).

[[L.N. 99/2007](#), r. 2, [L.N. 99/2009](#), r. 12.]

53. Key personnel of full and associate members

- (1) All trading participants of a securities exchange shall register with the Authority all key personnel annually including any changes thereto.
- (2) For the purposes of this regulation “key personnel” includes employees and directors of a trading participant who have direct dealings with clients and carry on trading activities on behalf of clients.

[[L.N. 88/2012](#), r. 25.]

53A. Designation of compliance officer

Every licensed person shall, in writing, designate in writing a compliance officer to coordinate all compliance matters with the Authority.

[[L.N. 99/2009](#), r. 13.]

53B. Change of shareholders, directors, etc.

- (1) Any person licensed by the Authority shall not change its shareholders, directors, chief executive or key personnel except with the prior confirmation, in writing, by the Authority that has no objection to the proposed change and subject to compliance with any conditions imposed by the Authority.
- (2) Where any person proposed to be appointed under paragraph (1) is found to be a former employee or otherwise connected with another licensee of the Authority, details of the reasons for their departure shall be forwarded in support of any request for no objection.
- (3) Every licensee shall lodge with the Authority in every year, and update the same within five days of any change thereto, a list of all key personnel working with the licensee, which shall include the individual’s full name, national identity card number, job designation and description of responsibilities and, where they have worked with other licencees of the Authority, details of their former employers.

[[L.N. 99/2009](#), r. 13.]

53C. Branch or new place of business

- (1) A licensed person shall not open a branch or a new place of business in Kenya, or change the location of a branch or existing place of business, without the approval of the Authority.
- (2) A licensed person shall not close any of its place of business in Kenya without first giving the Authority a three months’ written notice of its intention to do so or such shorter period of notice as the Authority may allow.

[[L.N. 99/2009](#), r. 13.]

54. Alteration of memorandum or articles of association

Every licensed person shall submit to the Authority any alterations to its memorandum or articles of association within thirty days of passing the resolution approving such alteration.

54A. Change to capital structure

Every licensed person shall notify the Authority of any changes to its capital structure within five working days from the date of the change.

[L.N. 99/2009, r. 14.]

55. Qualification of Secretary

No licensed person shall engage as a Secretary a person who is not qualified under the Institute of Certified Public Secretaries of Kenya Act ([Cap. 534](#)).

55A. Auditor

- (1) A licensed or approved person shall not appoint or remove its auditor except with the prior written approval of the Authority at least one month prior to such appointment or removal.
- (2) If the auditor of a licensed or approved person, in the course of the performance of his duties under the Act, is satisfied that—
 - (a) there has been a serious breach of or non-compliance with the provisions of the Act or Regulations, made thereunder, guidelines or other stipulations of the Authority; or
 - (b) a criminal offence involving fraud or other dishonesty has been committed by the licensed person or any of its key officers or employees; or
 - (c) serious irregularities occurred which may jeopardize the security of investors or creditors of the licensed person; or
 - (d) he is unable to confirm that the claims of investors and creditors of the licensed person are capable of being met out of the assets of the licensed person,he shall immediately report the matter to the Authority.
- (3) Where an auditor of a licensed or approved person fails to comply with the requirements of paragraph (2) above, the Authority shall disqualify him from appointment as an auditor of its licensees and approved persons.
- (4) A duty to which an auditor of a licensed or approved person may be subject to shall not be regarded as contravened by reason of his communicating in good faith to the Authority, whether or not in response to a request made by it or opinion on a matter to which this regulation applies and which is relevant to any function of the Authority under this Act or Regulations made thereunder.
- (5) This regulation shall apply to any matter of which an auditor becomes aware in his capacity as an auditor or in discharge of his duties under these Regulations and which relates to the business or affairs of the licensed or approved person or any associated persons.
- (6) A person appointed as an auditor shall serve for a maximum period of four consecutive years:
Provided that a licensed or approved person which is a subsidiary, or an associated company of a listed company may be exempted from this requirement for purposes of aligning the term of an auditor in the entire group of companies.
- (7) The Authority may arrange trilateral meetings with a licensed person and its auditor from time to time to discuss matters relevant to the Authority's supervisory responsibilities including

relevant aspects of the licensed person's business, its accounting and control system and its annual accounts.

[L.N. 99/2009, r. 15, L.N. 67/2022, r. 11.]

55B. Notice to the Authority by Auditor

An auditor of a licensed or approved person shall forthwith give written notice to the Authority where he—

- (a) resigns from office;
- (b) does not seek to be appointed; or
- (c) includes in his report or draft report on the licensed or approved person's accounts any qualification which did not appear in the accounts for the preceding financial year.

[L.N. 99/2009, r. 15.]

56. Marketing securities

No person shall market securities in Kenya, whether the securities have been issued in Kenya or not, through advertisement, solicitation, invitation or by other means in whatever form or manner with an aim of reaching the general public or a section thereof unless such a person is licensed under these Regulations.

Part VIII – TRANSACTIONS OF LISTED SECURITIES OUTSIDE A SECURITIES EXCHANGE

57. Nature of transaction

An application to the Authority for approval of a private transaction shall be considered if the transaction is for the—

- (a) transfer to a close relation in the form of a gift;
- (b) settlement of a will or estate of a deceased person;
- (c) restructuring, mergers or acquisitions in a scheme which has been approved by the Authority;
- (d) transfer of an exceptional nature of a listed security that the Authority considers to be proper and acceptable with respect to a strategic investor and serves the investor or public interest; or
- (e) transfer not resulting in any change in beneficial ownership otherwise than for purposes of regulation [57\(c\)](#), [\(d\)](#) or section [31\(1A\)\(ii\)](#) of the Act.

[L.N. 112/2013, r. 13.]

58. Brokerage commission

Where a private transaction is authorized, no brokerage commission shall be payable on the transaction, except a fee prescribed by the Authority—

Provided that a private transfer under regulation [57\(a\)](#) shall be subject to the prevailing prescribed brokerage commission.

[L.N. 112/2013, r. 14.]

59. Application for approval of a private transfer

- (1) Where it is intended to effect a private transaction of a listed security under regulation [57\(a\)](#), [\(b\)](#) and [\(e\)](#), a stockbroker representing the proposed transferee shall assess, endorse and submit a written application with the required information and supporting documents—
 - (a) in the case of certificated securities, to the securities exchange where the security is listed, and
 - (b) in the case of immobilized securities, to the central depository at which the security is immobilized,stating reasons why the proposed transaction is eligible to be transferred in a private transaction.
- (2) Where an application is made under regulation [57\(a\)](#) or [\(b\)](#), the securities exchange or a central depository, as the case may be, shall notify the stockbroker within seven days of receiving the application whether the securities exchange or the central depository objects to the private transaction or not, after examining and satisfying itself that the proposed transfer is eligible for consideration as a private transaction in accordance with these Regulations.
- (3) The securities exchange or a central depository, as the case may be, shall, upon determination of any application made under regulation [57\(a\)](#) or [\(b\)](#), approve and simultaneously notify the Authority that the application complies with regulation [57\(a\)](#) or [\(b\)](#).
- (4) The securities exchange or the central depository shall, upon receipt of an application made under regulation [57\(e\)](#), forward the application together with its recommendations to the Authority for approval.
- (5) The securities exchange and the central depository shall jointly submit to the Authority, guidelines for approval in respect of the processing requirements of a private transfer under regulation [57\(a\)](#) and [\(b\)](#).
- (6) The guidelines stipulated under subparagraph (5) 3 shall apply to all stockbrokers.

[L.N. 112/2013, r. 15.]

60. Approval fee

The approval fee for any transaction of a listed securities outside a securities exchange shall be at the rate prescribed by the Authority.

61. Private transactions under section 31(1A) of the Act

- (1) With respect to an application for approval of a private transaction, falling under regulation [57\(c\)](#) or [\(d\)](#) or section [31\(1A\)\(ii\)](#) of the Act, the applicant shall submit to the Authority for approval a detailed draft information memorandum or a circular to be distributed to the shareholders containing information on—
 - (a) the name and address of the applicant;
 - (b) the date of incorporation;
 - (c) the particulars of core activities, directors, management and major shareholders;
 - (d) the details of any agreements entered or proposed to be entered into and the cost;
 - (e) a statement by the financial adviser managing the transaction that to the best of its knowledge and belief the application constitutes full and true disclosure of all material facts about the offer and issuer and where appropriate it has satisfied itself that the profit forecasts have been stated by the directors after due and careful inquiry;

- (f) the details of any proposed merger, takeover, acquisitions, share, swap, reorganization or restructure scheme and the relevant shareholders and/or board resolutions;
 - (g) a declaration by the directors of the applicant in the following form:

“This application has been approved by the directors of the company all of whom jointly and severally accept responsibility for the accuracy of the information given and confirm that after making all reasonable inquiries and to the best of their knowledge and belief, there are no facts the omission of which would make any statement herein misleading.”;
 - (h) any other matters as may be requested by the Authority.
- (2) The applicant shall make a public announcement of its intention to apply to the Authority for approval of the proposed transfer and reasons therein and a copy of the transfer form for the proposed transaction shall be submitted to the Authority together with the application.

Part IX – DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION TO THE PUBLIC AND SHAREHOLDERS

62. Disqualification of professionals

The Authority may—

- (a) disqualify any person from giving professional opinion on matters related to listed securities, public offer or issue of securities; or
- (b) otherwise penalize any professional who in the opinion of the Authority has given a professional opinion that is false or misleading or has omitted to give an opinion where such omission is likely to be misleading in the circumstances in which the professional opinion is given or omitted as the case may be.

63. Content of public communication and circular to shareholders

- (1) All circulars to shareholders and the public including advertisements, offer documents and any other communication by listed companies, professionals and persons licensed under the Act shall be factual and statements made shall be for the purpose of—
 - (a) assisting in the evaluation of a particular security, or type of securities;
 - (b) promoting the industry, the service offered or the desirability of investing in securities in general; or
 - (c) providing shareholders or the public with accurate and adequate information about the listed company or securities transaction and market activity.
- (2) No material fact or qualification may be omitted if such omission would cause a shareholders' circular, advertisement or offer document to be misleading in the context of other information presented to the shareholders, investors or the general public.
- (3) In making a recommendation with respect to any security a licensed person, issuer or analyst shall —
 - (a) disclose the price at the time of the recommendation and, if applicable, the fact that such licensed person or analyst makes a market in the securities recommended (where applicable);
 - (b) recommend a buy or sell action and shall disclose the basic facts and assumptions in support of such recommendation and whether the licensed person or analyst or person associated to it owns more than a nominal amount of such securities;

- (c) highlight all risk factors that such licensed person or analyst has taken into consideration in the recommendation; and
 - (d) state the source of the facts and the recommended time frame for the validity of assumptions.
- (4) Any offer of a report, analysis including their updates or other service without any charge must be provided as such without any condition or obligation other than what is clearly described in the offer.
 - (5) No claim with respect to research or analysis, capacity or expertise under which the facilities are available, may be made beyond those in actual possession of the person making the claim.
 - (6) All statements made in a circular to shareholders and an advertisement directed to the general public shall be supported by facts the source of which shall be disclosed therein.
 - (7) All circulars, advertisements or offer of securities to shareholders of listed companies shall be submitted to the Authority for approval prior to distribution, provided that the Authority may require the inclusion of such additional information which in its opinion is relevant to the shareholders or investors.
 - (8) For the purposes of this regulation—
 - (a) “analyst” includes business, economic, financial or any other analyst by whatever name who analyses and expresses opinions or recommendations about securities or public listed companies;
 - (b) “nominal” in relation to a security means a value of ten thousand shillings or less.

Part X – THE INVESTOR COMPENSATION FUND

64. Contribution by licensees

- (1) Every buying or selling stockbroker or dealer that is a trading participant of a securities exchange shall contribute to the Compensation Fund such amount as shall be prescribed from time to time by the Authority.
- (2) All monies contributed to the Compensation Fund shall be credited to a bank account established by the Authority for that purpose.

[L.N. 88/2012, r. 27.]

65. Management and audit of the Compensation Fund

- (1) The Compensation Fund shall be managed by the Authority as a separate fund and disclosed as such in the Authority’s annual balance sheet as an asset and liability.
- (2) The Authority shall keep proper accounts and records of the Compensation Fund and in every financial year, prepare a statement of accounts showing the movement and financial position of the Fund in the Authority’s annual report.
- (3) The accounts referred to in paragraph (2) shall include the income and all sources of contribution to and expenses or disbursements of the Compensation Fund including the fees charged by the Authority for the management of the Fund and any investments of the Fund.
- (4) The accounts and records of the Compensation Fund shall be audited by the auditor appointed by the Authority for the Authority’s annual accounts.

66. Trustees of the Compensation Fund

Members of the Authority shall act as the trustees of the Compensation Fund and may appoint a committee of the Board to oversee its management.

67. Meetings of the Compensation Fund

A special meeting of the members of the Authority shall be convened by the Chief Executive of the Authority whenever the business of the Compensation Fund so requires and the Board of the Authority shall determine the procedure for such meetings.

68. Report to the Cabinet Secretary

The Authority shall include information relating to the Compensation Fund in its annual report to the Cabinet Secretary for the time being responsible for Finance.

69. Compensation of investors

Whenever an investor has suffered pecuniary loss due to the failure of a stockbroker, dealer or on investment bank carrying out stockbroking business or dealing, operations, to meet its contractual obligations, which loss has not been compensated—

- (a) from the bank guarantee or securities furnished by such licensed person to the securities exchange or central depository as the case may be of which such licensed person is a trading participant; or
- (b) from the Compensation Fund of the securities exchange of which such licensed person is a trading participant; or
- (c) from any payment made by a statutory manager appointed under section [33A\(2\)\(a\)](#) of the Act,

(hereinafter referred to as “the net loss”) the investor shall apply to the Authority for compensation from the Compensation Fund in cash or securities equal to the net loss.

[[L.N. 88/2012](#), r. 28.]

70. Maximum compensation

- (1) The net loss to an investor shall be subject to a maximum of two hundred thousand shillings.
- (2) The statutory manager shall recommend to the Authority the net loss that the investor may claim from the Compensation Fund.

[[L.N. 72/2009](#), r. 2, [L.N. 158/2023](#), r. 2.]

71. Investor Compensation Committee

- (1) The Authority shall establish an Investor Compensation Committee to deal with claims from investors.
- (2) The Compensation Committee shall include the Chairman and the Chief Executive of the Nairobi Stock Exchange and any other persons who may be appointed by the Authority to be members of the Committee.
- (3) The Compensation Committee shall, after examination of the evidence produced in support of a claim, make any recommendation to the Authority with respect to whether to allow or disallow such claim and, if the recommendation is to allow the claim, an assessment of the amount payable including any *pro rata* allocation of any such limit prescribed for every defaulting stockbroker or dealer or the size of the fraud, as applicable.

- (4) While determining the amount to be paid in compensation to an Investor, the Compensation Committee shall take into account the total amount available in the Compensation Fund.
- (5) The Authority shall give notice of its decision to the investors in writing or by other means of appropriate notification.

72. Notification of pecuniary loss

- (1) Every investor who has suffered a pecuniary loss shall notify the statutory manager of the licensed person liable for the loss within sixty days of the appointment of the statutory manager.
- (2) The statutory manager shall pay all valid claims within six months of its appointment.

73. Submission of claims

- (1) The statutory manager shall submit to the Authority a list of investors to be compensated as well as the supporting documents.
- (2) The Authority shall convene a meeting of the Compensation Committee within twenty-one days of receipt of submission of a claim by the statutory manager.

74. Payment of claims

- (1) Where payment has been made out of the Compensation Fund on behalf of a licensed person, such licensed person shall be liable to the Compensation Fund for an amount equal to the payment made out of the Fund.
- (2) In the event of liquidation of a licensed person, the liquidator shall pay the Compensation Fund any money paid by the Fund to investors on behalf of the insolvent person under these Regulations to the extent of such payment.

Part XI – DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

75. Disclosure of interest in shares

- (1) Where any person—
 - (a) by his knowledge acquires a notifiable interest in shares in a listed company's relevant share capital, or ceases to be interested in such shares; or
 - (b) becomes aware that he has acquired a notifiable interest in the relevant shares of a listed company or that he has ceased to be interested in such shares in which he was previously interested,such person is under an obligation to notify the listed company of the interest which he has, or had in its shares.
- (2) Every listed company shall make a monthly report to the securities exchange giving particulars of—
 - (a) all persons from whom the listed company has received a notification under paragraph (1);
 - (b) all directors holding one per cent or more in the relevant share capital;
 - (c) cumulative holding of the relevant share capital by directors.
- (3) A person is taken to be interested in shares—
 - (a) if he is an employee of the listed company;
 - (b) if he is a director or chairman of the listed company;

- (c) in which his spouse, any infant child or step child of his is interested; or
- (d) if a body corporate is interested in them and—
 - (i) the body corporate or its directors are accustomed to act in accordance with his directions or instructions; or
 - (ii) the person is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of one-third or more of the voting power at general meetings of the body corporate; or
 - (iii) the person is a director or a shareholder of the body corporate.
- (4) The existence of the obligation in a particular case depends—
 - (a) on circumstances obtaining before and after whatever is in that case the relevant time; and
 - (b) in a case within paragraph (1)(b), the time at which the person became aware of the facts in question.
- (5) In this regulation—
 - (a) a “director” means a director of a listed company;
 - (b) “relevant share capital” means the company’s issued share capital of a class carrying rights to vote in all circumstances at general meetings of the company; and
 - (c) a “notifiable interest” means three per cent or more of the relevant share capital of a listed company.

76. Furnishing of information to the Authority

- (1) Every person notified by the Authority pursuant to section 13 of the Act shall provide any specified information in the form and content as required by the Authority, with regards to the information on orders, purchases, sales or trading and settlement of securities including documentation relating to such transactions and disclosure of beneficial ownership of securities and such information may be shared with other regulatory agencies for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance, enforcement and any other matters pursuant to a bilateral or multilateral memorandum of understanding.
- (2) The information sought from any person under paragraph (1) shall be submitted to the Authority in a written form within the time specified by the Authority and such information shall include statements made under oath.
- (3) Where information has been submitted to the Authority under paragraph (2), the Authority may seek to verify such information and the person in possession of such information and documentation shall avail it without obstruction to the authorized personnel of the Authority.
- (4) The Authority shall enter into a memorandum of understanding pursuant to section 11(3)(q) of the Act either on a bilateral or a multilateral basis with other regulatory organizations or agencies on a reciprocal basis to facilitate exchange of information for the purposes of development of the capital markets and for enforcement and compliance with the laws and regulations of capital markets applicable in the jurisdictions party to the memorandum of understanding.
- (5) Where the Authority does not have within its jurisdiction information or documents requested under a bilateral or multilateral memorandum of understanding the Authority shall seek to collaborate with other relevant agencies to obtain such information with a clear understanding with such other agencies that the information may be shared with other regulatory agencies pursuant to the memorandum of understanding.
- (6) The information obtained under paragraph (1) and (5) shall be used by the Authority for regulatory purposes including enforcement and compliance and sharing with other regulatory agencies pursuant to the memorandum of understanding.

- (7) The Authority may include information obtained under paragraph (1) and (5) in any report by the Authority for its internal regulatory purposes or exchange such information pursuant to the memorandum of understanding or publish such information pursuant to section 11(3)(k) of the Act.

77. Preservation of financial and other records

Every issuer of securities to the public or a section thereof approved by the Authority and every person licensed by the Authority, shall preserve all financial and other records whether such records are maintained in an electronic or manual form, relating to transactions conducted by the licensee or to the offer of securities by an issuer, including daily, weekly, monthly, quarterly and annual transactions and other relevant records including minutes of all meetings on account of such transactions and registers of securities, for a period of seven years.

78. Destruction of financial and other records

No person shall at any time within the prescribed period interfere, deface or destroy the records referred to in regulation 77, in any manner that will lead to the alteration of any facts or content therein including the date, amount and names of all persons party to the transactions whether such person is a licensee of the Authority; an issuer of securities to the public or a section thereof, an auditor of such licensee or issuer or any professional who is or will be involved directly or indirectly in the transactions.

Part XII – MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

79. [Deleted by L.N. 99/2007, r. 3.]

80. Prevention of money laundering and other illicit activities

- (1) Every licensed person shall obtain through a client information questionnaire details from a client or a potential client with respect to the following—
- (a) the identity of the client or a potential client supported by documentary evidence;
 - (b) nature of business activities of the client or potential client;
 - (c) origin and sources of funds used or to be used for investment in securities. Where the money or funds originate from outside Kenya a confirmation from the remitting entity of the nature of its business and of the source of the moneys or funds;
 - (d) a written declaration by the client or potential client confirming—
 - (i) the accuracy of all information given under paragraphs (a) to (c); and
 - (ii) that the moneys or funds used for the investment in securities is not arising out of the proceeds of any money laundering or other illicit activities;
 - (e) a licensed person shall maintain at least the following information in respect of their clients and shall ensure that they link each transaction to the beneficial owner—
 - (i) where the client is a natural person, any person on whose behalf the client is acting, whether as nominee, trustee or any other capacity;
 - (ii) where the client is a limited partnership, the name of the general partner (and where the general partner is a body corporate, the information as prescribed under item (iv) shall be maintained);
 - (iii) where the client is an unlimited partnership, the names of the other partners;
 - (iv) where the client is a body corporate, the name of all individuals who have a direct or indirect interest amounting to thirty per cent or more of the equity;

- (v) where the client is a trust, the name of the settlers, trustees, protectors and principal named beneficiaries;
 - (vi) where the client is a legal arrangement other than a trust, the name of the owner or controller;
 - (f) where the customer is a financial institution, such as a bank, insurance company, pension fund or collective investment fund and is conducting business collectively on behalf of a large number of underlying customers, and where the institution is subject to rules or regulations that require the financial institution to conduct customer due diligence, the licensee is permitted to rely on the financial institution to hold beneficial ownership information and need not hold that information itself.
- (2) The client information under paragraph (1) shall be obtained by the licensed person every time a client places an investment order with the licensed person.
- (3) The client information obtained under paragraph (1) and (2) shall be maintained by the licensed person as part of the records required under regulations 19, 31, 43 and 49.
- (3A) The licensed person shall make such information available to the Authority on request and also to the central depository for the purpose of answering an enquiry made of it under Section 58 of the Central Depositories Act (Cap. 485C).

[L.N. 99/2009, r. 16.]

81. [Spent]

82. [Spent]

83. [Spent]

FIRST SCHEDULE

APPLICATION FOR LICENCE/RENEWAL OF LICENCE TO CONDUCT BUSINESS OF SECURITIES

THE CAPITAL MARKETS ACT

[Cap. 485A]

Form 1

(r. 3, 14, 28, 39, 45, 51)

[L.N. 88/2012, r. 29.]

THE CAPITAL MARKETS (LICENCING REQUIREMENTS) (GENERAL) REGULATIONS

Application for a Licence/Renewal of Licence to Conduct/ The Business of a Securities Exchange, Stockbroker, Dealer, Investment Adviser, Fund Manager, Investment Bank or Authorised Securities Dealer

Application is made for a securities exchange/stockbroker/ dealer/ investment adviser/ fund manager /investment bank/authorized securities dealer (tick as appropriate) licence/renewal of licence (delete where inapplicable) under the Act and the following statements are made in respect thereof:

Note-

If space is insufficient, to provide details, please attach annexure(s). Any annexure(s) should be identified as such and signed by the signatory of this application.

Information provided should be as at the date of the application or renewal.

1. Name of company Limited _____
2. Registered office _____
3. Date of incorporation _____
4. Address _____
5. E-mail _____
6. Location, address and telephone number of principal office

7. Location, address and telephone number of branch offices

8. Details of capital structure:

- (a) Nominal capital (Kshs.) _____
- (b) Number of shares _____
- (c) Paid-up capital (Kshs) _____

9. Shareholders (or investors in the case of a securities exchange) (please attach a list)

Name	Address & telephone number	Number of shares held
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10. (a) Directors (please attach a list)

Name	Identity card / Passport number	Date of appointment	Date of birth	Permanent address & telephone number	Academic or professional qualification	Number of shares held in the company
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(b) Secretary

Name _____

Address _____

Institute of Certified Secretaries of Kenya Registration No.

(c) Chief executive and other key personnel

Name	Identity card / Passport number	Date of appointment	Date of birth	Permanent address & telephone number	Academic or professional qualification	Number of shares held in the company

11. Particulars of other directorship(s) of the directors and secretary.
12. Particulars of shares held by directors or secretary in other companies

13. Has the applicant or any of its directors, secretary or members of senior management at any time been placed under receivership, declared bankrupt, or compounded with or made an assignment for the benefit of his creditors, in Kenya or elsewhere? Yes/ No. If 'yes', give details

14. Has any director, secretary or senior management of the applicant been a director of a company that has been:
 - (a) denied any licence or approval under the Capital Markets Act or equivalent legislation in any other jurisdiction: Yes/No. If Yes, give details.

 - (b) a director of a, company providing banking, insurance, financial or investment advisory services whose licence has been revoked by the appropriate authority? Yes/No. If Yes, give details.

 - (c) subjected to any form of disciplinary action by any professional body of which the applicant or any of its director was a member? Yes/ No. If yes, give details.

15. Has any court ever found that the applicant, or a person associated with the applicant was involved in a violation of the Capital Markets Act or Regulations thereunder, or equivalent law outside Kenya? Yes / No. If 'yes', give details.

16. Is the applicant and/or a person associated with the applicant now the subject of any proceeding that could result in a 'yes' answer to the above question (15)? Yes/ No. If 'yes,', give details.

17. (1) Is the applicant, or any shareholder, director or the secretary of the applicant, a member or director of a member company ,of any securities exchange? Yes/No. If 'yes', give details.

- (2) Have any of the above persons been -
 - (a) refuted admission as a trading participant of any securities organization? Yes/No. If 'yes', give details

(b) expelled from or suspended from trading on of any securities organization? 'Yes/No. If 'yes' give details

(c) subjected to any other form of disciplinary action by any stock exchange? Yes/No. If 'yes', give details.

[L.N. 88/2012, r. 29(a).]

18. Business references:

Name	Address	Telephone number(s)	Occupation
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19. Profile of the chief executive and key employees in the applicant company:

Name	Post	Qualifications	Experience
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20. List the office facilities of the applicant

21. State the exact nature of the activity to be carried on which obliges the applicant to apply for a licence from the Capital Markets Authority.

22. State securities exchange at which the applicant intends to seek admission as a trading participant

[L.N. 88/2012, r. 29(b).]

23. Any other additional information considered relevant to this application:

We _____ (Director), _____ (Director) and _____ (Secretary) declare that all the information given in this application and in the attached documents is true and correct.

Dated this _____ day of _____ 20 _____

Signed:

_____) Director

_____) Director

_____) Secretary

Note:

1. The following shall be submitted with the application for a licence:

(a) memorandum and articles of association.

- (b) *certificate of incorporation.*
- (c) *business plan complying with the requirements of regulation 15(1)(d) (stockbroker & dealer), regulation 29(1)(d) (Investment adviser and fund manager), regulation 39(2)(d) (investment banks) regulation 46(d)(authorized securities dealers) of the Capital Markets Authority (Licensing Requirements) (General) Regulations.*
- (d) *a statement of the un-audited accounts for the period of accounting year ending not earlier than six months prior to the date of application and audited annual accounts for the preceding two years (in the case of application of licence), management accounts upto the 304 November and audited annual accounts for the preceding year (in the case of renewal of licence);*
- (e) *a declaration by the directors as to whether after due enquiry by them in relation to the interval between the date to which the last accounts have been made and a date not earlier than fourteen days before the date of the application-*
- (i) *the business of the company has, in their opinion, been satisfactorily maintained;*
 - (ii) *there have, in their opinion, arisen any circumstances adversely affecting the company's trading or value of its assets;*
 - (iii) *there are any contingent liabilities by reason of any guarantees given by the company or any of its subsidiaries;*
 - (iv) *there are, since the last annual accounts, any changes in Published-reserves or any unusual factors affecting the profit of the company or any of its subsidiaries.*
- (f) *a copy of the bank guarantee to be lodged with the securities exchange or the central depository (where applicable).*
- (g) *a declaration by persons authorized as prescribed to accompany the application form;*
- (h) *an application fee of Kshs. 2,500.*

SECOND SCHEDULE [rr. 3(2), 15(1), 29(1), 39(2), 46, 51.]

THE CAPITAL MARKETS AUTHORITY FEES STRUCTURE

[L.N. 32/2008, r. 5, L.N. 99/2009, r. 17, L.N. 112/2013, r. 16, L.N. 190/2010, r. 2, L.N. 112/2013, r. 16, L.N. 35/2016, r. 2, L.N. 67/2022, r. 12, L.N. 158/2023. r. 2.]

As Approved by the Cabinet Secretary for Finance Pursuant to Section 36(1)(a) of the Capital Markets Act

Part 1 - Approval and Annual Fee

[Sections 11(3)(d)(ii) & 23(3) Act]

(a) Securities Exchange Section 20(7) Capital Markets Act	annual fee	1% of the gross earnings payable, excluding the transaction fees
(b) Credit Rating Agency	- approval fee	200,000
(c) Central Depository Systems	- approval and annual fee	200,000

(d) Registered Venture Capital Company	- approval and annual fee	250,000
(e) Fund of a registered Venture capital	approval and annual fee (payable per fund	250,000 (subject to a maximum annual fee of KSh. 500,000 payable any registered venture capital company)"
(f) Collective Investment Schemes Section 30(3)(c) Capital Markets Act	- approval and annual fee	150,000

Part II - Licence and Renewal Fees

[Section [11\(3\)\(d\)\(ii\)](#) of the Act]

(a) Stockbroker or Dealer	100,000
(b) Investment Adviser	50,000
(c) Fund Manager	100,000
(d) Fund Manager registered with Retirement Benefit Authority	50,000
(e) Authorized Depositories	100,000
(f) Authorized Securities Dealers	200,000
(g) Investment Banks	250,000

(Application fees for approvals, licence or renewal of all licences is Kshs. 2,500)

Part III - Other Fees

[Section [11\(3\)\(d\)\(ii\)](#) of the Act]

(a) Issuer of securities to the public or a section of public <i>(percentage of the value of the issue subject to a maximum fee of Kshs. 30 million)</i>	0.15%
(b) Approval of listing by introduction- <i>(percentage of value of the issue)</i>	0.25 subject to a maximum of KShs. 5,000,000.

(c) Issuer of Capitalization or rights issue (<i>percentage of the value of the issue</i>)	Kshs 50,000 or 0.25% which ever is higher subject to a maximum fee of Kshs. 30 million
(d) Issuer of commercial paper and corporate bonds - approval and renewal (<i>percentage of the value of the issue</i>)	0.1% subject to a maximum of Kshs. 30 million.
(dd) Issuer of regional fixed income securities – each East African Partner State regulator approving the issue shall receive an equal share of the evaluation fee of 0.1% of the value of the offer subject to a maximum of the local currency equivalent to United States of America dollars 200,000 and a minimum of the local currency equivalent to United States of America dollars 20,000.	
(e) Approval of listing of Government Securities (<i>percentage of the amount raised subject to a maximum of Kshs. 60 million</i>)	0.075%
(f) Market Development fees to support investor education and market infrastructure development:	
i) Amount payable by listed companies to the Authority (<i>percentage of market capitalization as at November 30 of each year</i>)	0.01% subject to a minimum fee of Ksh. 150,000 and a maximum of Kshs. 100,000 per year.
ii) Amount payable directly to the Authority by issuers with respect to listed fixed income securities, including the Government and corporate securities on the Fixed Income Market Segment of a securities exchange (<i>percentage of the aggregate value of the listed securities as at November 30 of each year</i>).	0.005% subject to a minimum fee of Kshs. 100,000 per year and a maximum of Kshs 2.5 million
(g) Amount payable by each buyer and seller of the listed security#	0.14%
i) shares (<i>percentage of consideration</i>)	0.12%
ii) fixed income securities (<i>percentage of consideration</i>)	0.0015%
(h) Amount payable by each buying and selling stockbroker#	0.01 %
i) shares (<i>percentage of the consideration payable to the investor compensation Fund under section 18(2) of Capital Market Act</i>);	0.01%
ii) fixed income securities (<i>percentage of the consideration payable to the Investor Compensation Fund under section 18(2) of Capital Market Act</i>)	0.004%

(i) Approval fee payable by the transferee for transactions of listed securities outside the securities exchange authorized under section 31(1A)(i) and (ii) as follows–	
i) Transfer in settlement of an estate of a deceased person or a transfer not resulting in a change in beneficial ownership otherwise than for purposes of (ii) and (iii) below:	Ksh. 1,500 per application (including an application relating to a portfolio of securities), provided that where the total value of securities in the application is below Ksh.10,000, no fee shall be payable.
ii) transfer, arising out of the re-organisation of the share capital of a listed company, that does not result in a change of beneficial interest in such share capital (<i>percentage of the nominal value of the shares</i>),	0.1%
Subject to a maximum of Ksh. 100,000.	
iii) any other transfer that results in a change of beneficial interest in the shares capital of a listed company, including any transfer under a take-over scheme, merger or acquisition, approved by the Authority (<i>percentage of the market value of the shares</i>).	0.5%

THIRD SCHEDULE [r. 12(7).]

DISCLOSURE BY A SECURITIES EXCHANGE IN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The accounts shall be prepared in accordance with the International Accounting Standards

1. The following shall be disclosed in the income statement–

(a) Income–

- (i) listing fees;
- (ii) transaction fees;
- (iii) finance income;
- (iv) other income;

(b) Expenditure–

- (i) personnel costs including separate disclosure of consolidated pay, pension and gratuity;
- (ii) staff training;
- (iii) rent and maintenance;
- (iv) investor education;
- (v) directors' fees;
- (vi) annual fees payable to Capital Markets Authority;

- (vii) committee members' expenses;
 - (viii) audit fees;
 - (ix) depreciation;
 - (x) general administrative expenses;
 - (xi) legal and professional expenses;
 - (xii) others expenditure.
2. The following shall be disclosed in the balance sheet—
- (a) property, plant and equipment;
 - (b) motor vehicles;
 - (c) goodwill;
 - (d) investments;
 - (e) listing fees receivable;
 - (f) deferred tax;
 - (g) members fund;
 - (h) revenue reserves;
 - (i) compensation fund.

FOURTH SCHEDULE [rr. 21(1)(d), 32(1)(d), 43, 51.]

DISCLOSURES BY OTHER LICENSEES INCLUDING STOCKBROKERS, INVESTMENT ADVISERS, FUND MANAGERS, DEALERS AND INVESTMENT BANKS IN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1. The following shall be disclosed in the income statement where applicable—
- (a) Income—
 - (i) stock brokerage commission;
 - (ii) consultancy income;
 - (iii) dealing income;
 - (iv) advisory income including restructuring, and corporate finance;
 - (v) asset management fees;
 - (vi) underwriting fees;
 - (vii) other services income;
 - (viii) finance income.
 - (b) Expenditure—
 - (i) directors' emoluments;
 - (ii) staff costs;
 - (iii) rent and maintenance;
 - (iv) depreciation;

- (v) audit fees;
 - (vi) administrative expenses;
 - (vii) finance expenses.
2. The following shall be disclosed in the balance sheet—
- (a) property, plant and equipment;
 - (b) motor vehicles;
 - (c) investments;
 - (d) deposits and prepayments;
 - (e) share capital;
 - (f) revenue reserves;
 - (g) directors' loans;
 - (h) shareholders loans;
 - (i) amounts due to clients.

FIFTH SCHEDULE [r. 26]

BROKERAGE COMMISSION AND FEES

[L.N. 119/2004, L.N. 189/2010, r. 2, L.N. 88/2012, r. 30, L.N. 112/2013, r. 17, L.N. 35/2016, r. 3, L.N. 135/2022, r. 2.]

1. For new issues
- (a) Fees:
 - (i) Sponsoring stockbrokers: Sponsoring fee as negotiated with the issuer.
 - (ii) The issuer shall pay a marketing fee not exceeding Kshs 25,000 each to all stockbrokers subject the stockbroker placing securities of a minimum value of Kshs 250,000.
 - (b) Placing Commission:
 - (i) Stockbrokers: 1.5% of the value of the successful application subject to a minimum of Kshs 100.
 - (ii) Participating banks (as agents of the issuer): 1% of the value of successful applications.
2. For secondary trading

Consideration (Transaction Value)	Net Brokerage Comm ission %	Transaction Fee			Investor Compensation Fund Fee and Central Depository Guarantee Fund Fee		Maximum Total Cost to Investor %
		NSE %	CMA %	CDSC %	CDSC Guarantee Fund %	CMA Investor Compensation Fund %	

Consideration (Transaction Value)		Net Brokerage Commission %	Transaction Fee			Investor Compensation Fund Fee and Central Depository Guarantee Fund Fee			Maximum Total Cost to Investor %
Upto Kshs 100,000	1.76	2	0.12	0.08	0.01*	0.01*		2.10	
Above Kshs 100,000	Open to negotiation subject to a maximum of 1.36%	2	0.12	0.08	0.01*	0.01*		1.70	

1. *Stockbrokerage commission is net of contribution by the stockbroker of 0.02% to the Investor Compensation Fund.

2. Stockbrokerage commission shall be limited to Kshs 100 for all odd lots transactions up to Kshs 3000 excluding statutory fees. Odd lots transactions in excess of Kshs. 3000 shall be charged a commission at the prescribed rate of 1.76% excluding statutory fees.

3. (1) FOR CORPORATE DEBT INSTRUMENTS (SECONDARY MARKET)

Brokerage commission %	Transaction fee				Total transaction fees payable by investor
	NSE%	CMA%	CDSC%	ICF%	Total
0.024	0.0035	0.0015	0.002	0.004	0.0035

(2) FOR GOVERNMENT DEBT INSTRUMENTS (SECONDARY MARKET)

Brokerage commission %	Transaction fee	Total transaction fees payable by investor

	NSE%	CMA%	ICF%	Total
0.024	0.0055	0.015	0.004	0.035

Market intermediaries trading in the secondary market (stockbrokers, investment banks and authorized securities dealers) Commission is net of contribution by the stockbroker of 0.004% to the investor compensation fund.

4. Private Transfer Fees

Regulation 57(a) fees levied at 2.1% of the value of transaction (being prescribed brokerage commission) where transaction value is below Kshs. 100,000 (subject to a maximum of 1.7%) and shared as follows#		BROKERS & INVESTMENT BANKS.	NSE	CDSC
	Certificated Securities	55%	45%	NIL
	Immobilized Securities	55%	NIL	45%
Regulation 57(b) or (e) Kshs. 1,500 per application (including an application relating to a portfolio of securities), (provided that where the total value of securities in the application is below Kshs. 10,000, no fee shall be payable) and shared as follows#	Certificated Securities	55%	45%	NIL
	Immobilized Securities	55%	NIL	45%
Regulation 57(c) Transfer arising out of the re-organisation of the share capital of a listed company that does not result in change of beneficial interest in such share capital 0.1% (percentage of the nominal value of the shares) and payable to the Authority.				
Regulation 57 (c) or (d) Any other transfer that results in change of beneficial interest in the shares capital of a listed company, including any transfer under a take-over scheme, merger or acquisition, approved by the Authority at 0.5% (percentage of the market value of the shares) and payable to the Authority.				