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You will only need this section if you answered 'yes' to the question 'Have you previously traded?' in the **Application Overview section**.

What you'll need for this section:

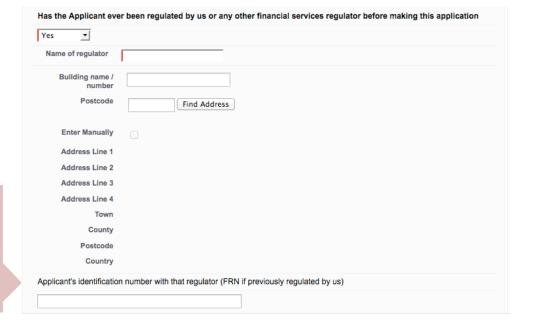
Record of any previous names under which your firm has traded
Your FCA application reference number (if you have one)
Records of any legal action made against your firm

About your firm:

If your firm has previously had more than one name, please provide the names and dates.

If your answer is **YES**, you will need to provide details, including your application reference number – you will find this at the top of the page.

These questions are about your firm. You should disclose all information, even if you are in doubt about it. If we require further information, your case officer will be in touch. If you wish to send us more information, please reply to the email you will receive after you submit your application form, and include all relevant information. Significant events include but are not limited to: Material litigation, written complaints made by clients, bankruptcy, winding up petition, creditors voluntary agreement, any financial obligations arising from regulated activities, being subject of a receiving or administration order. For further information see our guidance on disclosure. Please specify how many previous firm names the Applicant has traded under? Please provide a list of your previous firm names Previous name Effective from date [01/09/2015]



Disclosure:

The form describes what is meant by a significant event.

But if, at any point, you're not sure whether something is worth mentioning, please disclose it anyway, because a failure to do so could affect how long it takes to process your application. This applies to the firm as a whole and is not limited to significant events concerning regulated activities.

Examples of significant events:

- Material litigation
- Complaints made by clients
- Bankruptcy

If you answer **YES** to any of these questions, you will need to give a brief explanation, either straight into the text box or by attaching a Word document – whichever is easiest.

Disclosure

You also have the option to tick the **SEND LATER** button, allowing you to supply documents after submitting your application.

Important: anything you disclose should be about the firm, not individuals – unless you are a sole trader.

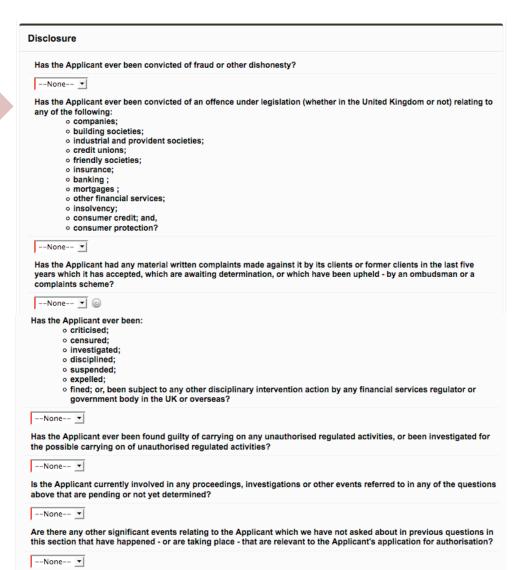
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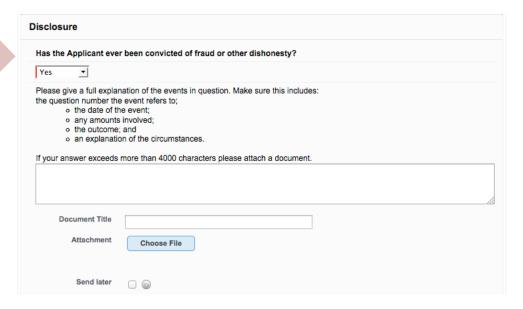
Convictions and complaints:

Tip: If you have any criminal convictions to disclose, attach any supporting documents you may have, such as hearing notices or records of spent convictions.

If you are not sure if a document is useful, you can mention it in this text box, and your case officer can then request it if required.



All complaints count, oral or written, justified or not. If you are unsure about what constitutes a complaint, take a look at the **Guidance Notes**.



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And all the questions apply to your firm, not individuals – unless you are a sole trader, in which case you will need the **Sole Trader Appendix**.

If in doubt, disclose.

There are guides for different sections of the application. So if you'd like further help please visit our website.