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Essential requirements under BCBS-IOSCO's margin requirements for non-centrally cleared derivatives vis-à-vis SARVAM

[Market Participants may also refer FAQs 51, 52, 53, 56 of the Initial FAQs]

Fundamental requirements (under Principle 5):

- 1. Collateral shall be Segregated from:
 - a. The assets of the custodian (referred as Collateral Service Provider in India),
 - b. Collateral of other Parties/Members.
- 2. Safekeeping / Bankruptcy remoteness.
- 3. Timely availability of Collateral in the event of Counterparty's Default.

The above mentioned fundamental requirements (Principle 5) are addressed as follows:

Sr.	BCBS-IOSCO margin	RBI Margin	CCIL-SARVAM Rules
	requirements	Directions	
1.	Segregation	Directions 8(3) and	Refer:
		9(3).	- Definition of Long Box Account. ¹
			- Chapter VII: Margining and Collateral
			Management.
			- Chapter VIII: Safekeeping, Segregation
			and Transfers.
			- FAQs 45 to 52 of the Initial FAQs.
2.	Safekeeping / Bankruptcy Remoteness	Directions 8(1)(b),	Refer:
		9(5).	- Chapter VIII: Safekeeping, Segregation
			and Transfers.
			- Bilateral Netting Act, 2020 including the
			reference to Collateral Arrangement.
			- FAQs 53, 56 of the Initial FAQs.

¹ Refer Definition 42 of the SARVAM Rules read with Definitions 20 (Current Account) and 31 (Gilt Account).

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3.	Timely Availability	Direction 8(1)(a).	Refer:
			- Chapter VII: Margining and Collateral
			Management.
			- Chapter VIII: Safekeeping, Segregation
			and Transfers.
			- Bilateral Netting Act, 2020.
			- FAQ 56 of the Initial FAQs.

Other General requirements

Sr.	BCBS-IOSCO margin	RBI Margin	CCIL-SARVAM Rules
	requirements	Directions	
1.	In times of financial stress, the	Dir. 10 – (1),	The Eligible Collateral under SARVAM is
	Collateral to hold its value, and be	(2) and (9).	Cash (INR) and Securities (Government
	liquidated rapidly and at a		Securities).
	predictable price.		Refer:
	(Ex. Cash, Government Securities)		- Chapter VII: Margining and Collateral
	(Principle 4)		Management.
			- Ch. II – Definition 24.
2.	Initial Margin to be exchanged by	Dir. 6(2).	The SARVAM Rules provides for the same
	both Parties on a gross basis		in accordance with the RBI Margin
	without netting. (Principle 5)		Directions.
			- Chapter VII: Margining and Collateral
			Management.
3.	Variation Margin to be bilaterally	Dir. 5.2, 6(6).	Yes, the same is provided under the
	exchanged (full value) on a daily		SARVAM Rules.
	basis. (Principle 2, 3)		- Chapter VII: Margining and Collateral
			Management.
4.	Robust dispute resolution	Dir. 12.	For the specific scope of the activity of
	procedures between the		SARVAM, a Chapter on Dispute Resolution
	Counterparties before onset of a		is provided.
	transaction. (Principle 3)		- Chapter XI: Dispute Resolution.