

COMPLAINTS MANAGEMENT POLICY

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Financial Advice and Intermediary Services Act (37 of 2002)





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1. Introduction

Crypto Verse (PTY) LTD (hereinafter the "Company", "we", "us") which is the owner of the domain TRDX.com, is incorporated under the laws of the Republic of South Africa with Registration number: 2023/875887/07. The Company is authorized and regulated by the Financial Sector Conduct Authority (FSCA) to act as a Financial Service Provider (FSP No. 53738).

The Company acting in its capacity as a Financial Service Provider and in accordance with the Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services Act No. 37 of 2002 (hereinafter the "FAIS Act", the "Law") is required to have in place and disclose to its Clients Complaints Management Policy, to ensure that the Clients are well informed of the complaints handling procedure and to ensure that the Company handles and resolves complaints in a fair, transparent, and compliant manner.

2. Purpose

The Company is committed to providing the highest level of service to our clients. However, we recognize that there may be occasions where clients feel dissatisfied with our services. This Complaints Policy outlines the procedures and principles to be followed in addressing and resolving complaints in accordance with the Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services (FAIS) Act.

3. Definitions

<u>Complaint</u>: Any expression of dissatisfaction made by a client in relation to the Company's services or activities.

<u>Compliance Officer</u>: The individual designated by the Company to oversee compliance with FAIS requirements.

FAIS Act: The Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services Act, 2002 (Act No. 37 of 2002) as amended.

<u>Representative</u>: Any natural person who provides financial services on behalf of the Company and is authorized in terms of the FAIS Act.

4. Scope

This policy applies to all complaints received from clients, regardless of the nature of the financial service provided.

5. Complaints Handling Procedure

5.1 Receipt of Complaint

- All complaints should be submitted in writing, either electronically or in hard copy.
- Clients can submit complaints to the Company's designated complaints email address, compliance@trdx.com.
- The Compliance Officer is responsible for acknowledging receipt of the complaint within five (5) business days.



5.2 Investigation and Resolution

- The Compliance Officer or an appointed designated person will investigate the complaint promptly.
- A written response addressing the complaint will be provided to the client within thirty (30) business days, unless exceptional circumstances warrant an extension, in which case the client will be informed of the delay.
- The response will include an explanation of the Company's findings and any proposed remedies or corrective actions.

5.3 Escalation

If the client is not satisfied with the response received, they may escalate the complaint to the relevant Ombudsman or regulatory authority as prescribed by the FAIS Act.

6. Engagement with Ombud and Reporting

Should your complaint be referred to the Ombud, the following must be kept in mind:

- The Company is required to be provided with a six-week period within which to resolve any complaint, before the FAIS Ombud will have jurisdiction.
- > The FAIS Ombud will not adjudicate in matters where the claim is more than R800 000
- If you already instituted an action in a court of law in respect of this complaint the Ombud will not consider the complaint.
- If the complaint was not resolved through conciliated settlement, the Ombud may make a determination that has the same legal status of a civil court judgement.
- An award of costs may be made against the person complained against.
- An award of costs may be made against a complainant if the conduct of the complainant was improper or unreasonable, or if the complainant caused an unreasonable delay in the finalisation of the investigation.

The FAIS Ombud

Tel: 012 762 5000 / 012 470 9080

E-mail: info@faisombud.co.za

www.faisombud.co.za

7. Record Keeping

The Company will maintain a comprehensive record of all complaints received, including details of the investigation, resolution, and communication with the client.

Records will be retained for the duration specified by the FAIS Act.

8. Training and Awareness

All representatives and officers involved in handling complaints will receive training on the Company's complaints policy and relevant FAIS Act provisions.



9. Regular Review

This Complaints Management Policy will be reviewed periodically to ensure its continued electiveness and compliance with the FAIS Act

10. Contact Information

Clients will be provided with contact information for the Company's designated complaints contact person. Should you want to submit a complaint, please send your complaint with all supporting documentation to compliance@trdx.com

11. Conclusion

This Complaints Management Policy is designed to ensure that the Company handles and resolves complaints in a fair, transparent, and compliant manner with the requirements of the FAIS Act. Clients are encouraged to use this process to address any concerns they may have with the Company's services.