

# EU Money Market Fund Reform

## NEW RULES IN 2018

The European Commission new rules to regulate money market funds (“MMFs”) will apply to all MMFs created after **21st July 2018**, and existing MMFs have until **21 January 2019** to comply.

The MMF Regulation permits four types of MMF:

### **CONSTANT NAV (CNAV MMF):**

Public debt constant NAV MMFs (“Public Debt CNAV MMFs”)

Invests 99.5% in government securities and maintains a constant NAV Low volatility

Low volatility NAV MMFs (“LVNAV MMFs”)

Invests in “prime” money market fund assets and maintains a constant NAV within certain parameters

### **VARIABLE NAV:**

Short-term variable NAV MMFs

Invests in “prime” money market fund assets and maintains a variable NAV

NAV Standard variable NAV MMFs

Invests in “prime” money market fund assets and maintains a variable NAV but invests in assets with long maturity than the short-term variable NAV MMF

Corporate treasury cash investments are typically constant NAV MMFs (“CNAV MMF”). The main differences between existing CNAV MMFs and the two new types of CNAV MMF include:

**STATUS**

**Valuation**

Amortised cost still permitted

LVNAV can use amortised cost up to 75 days maturity and mark-to market for longer asset maturities

**Liquidity**

New daily and weekly liquidity requirements in place

**Eligible assets**

Similar to current rules

Public Debt CNAV must have 99.5% government assets, cash or reverse repo backed by government assets

**Diversification**

Additional more restrictive rules

**Redemption gates and fees**

If weekly liquidity falls below the 30% threshold and the net daily redemptions on a single business day exceed 10% of total assets: must consider applying liquidity fees, redemption gates or a suspension of redemptions.

Where weekly maturing assets falls below 10% either liquidity fees on redemptions or a suspension of redemptions must be implemented

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