

Latest Regulations – June 2019

This section contains a summary of the main regulations implemented by the BCRA during the month, related to the business of financial intermediation. **They are referenced by the date of publication.**

Communication "A" 6714 – June 13, 2019 | The BCRA established that financial institutions and non-financial entities that issue credit and/or purchase cards must identify any contributors to political parties and to the Permanent Party Fund, to report such identification to political parties receiving such contributions or to the Argentine Electoral Board, and to permit the reversal of any contribution when not accepted by the recipient.

Communication "A" 6715 – June 14, 2019 | The BCRA amended the regulations on "[Credit policy](#)" and established that financial institutions may offer, as an alternative or in addition to the option of extending the number of originally arranged installments, the option to limit the increase of the installment amount up to 10% of the amount applicable in case of an adjustment according to the CVS (Salary Variation Coefficient). This option would not entail an extension of the term of financing, and the cost of this new option may be transferred to the client only in case of lending granted under the ProCreAr program.

Communication "A" 6716 – June 14, 2019 | The BCRA provided for that, as from October 1, 2019, for the purposes of compliance with the requirements set forth in regulations issued by the Central Bank in relation to credit, financial institutions are obliged to accept the financial statements submitted by their clients through the service "*Presentación Única de Balances (PUB)*" (Balance Sheets Single Submission) in the AFIP's web page.

Communication "A" 6719 – June 19, 2019 | The Central Bank amended the regulations on "[Minimum cash](#)", and excluded from the minimum cash requirement any liabilities recorded by financial intermediaries with stores for sales through credit and/or purchase cards, making no difference between sales in one payment or in installments. Effective as from July 1, 2019, the BCRA amended the method for calculation of cash requirement in pesos, which would be determined based on the average of daily balances of the period prior to compliance with such requirement. The Central Bank established the bimonthly calculation of positions for the periods of July/August and December/January of the following year.

Communication "A" 6723 – June 27, 2019 | As from January 1, 2020, the Central Bank established that Group "A" financial institutions whose parent company is a "holding company" (not a financial entity), must comply with the regulations on "[Minimum capitals of financial institutions](#)", "[Large exposures to credit risk](#)", "[Liquidity coverage ratio](#)" (LCR) and "[Net stable funding ratio](#)" on a consolidated basis, including such parent company and all subsidiaries of such "holding company" or the financial entity, but excluding any insurance companies and any other subsidiary of the group, provided that they do not perform financial activities. The BCRA established that Group "A" financial institutions may not provide any type of financial aid to their parent company when such parent is a "holding company" and not a financial entity.

Communication "A" 6725 – June 28, 2019 | The BCRA amended the [“Regulations on bank current account”](#), by incorporating the procedures for issue, endorsement, circulation and submission for collection of checks through electronic means (ECHEQ). The Central Bank set forth the new obligations deriving from these new procedures to be complied with by the current account holder and the drawee banks.