

Trust Management Network

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Why is there a change?

During the financial crisis of 2007–2008, the Reserve Primary Fund "broke the buck," meaning its net asset value (NAV) dropped below \$1.00 per share. This event prompted significant redemptions from institutional prime money market funds, putting them under severe stress and leading the U.S. Treasury to create a temporary guarantee program for money market funds.

Since then, the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has implemented a number of regulatory changes designed to enhance the stability and resilience of all money market funds.



What does this mean to you?

There is now a distinction between institutional & retail money market funds.

Investors who are <u>institutions</u> and invest in Prime and municipal/tax-exempt money market funds are required to move from a fixed \$1.00 share price to a floating NAV. These funds will no longer be allowed to use amortized cost to value portfolio securities. Instead, daily share prices will be calculated using the market-based value of portfolio holdings, rounded to the fourth decimal place.

Retail money market funds will maintain a \$1.00 share price



What does this mean to you?

- 1. You can elect to only invest in <u>Government Money Market funds</u> that will not impose a liquidity fee and/or trading gates.
- 2. You can invest your retail accounts in a <u>retail prime/municipal fund</u>. This will require implementing a measure to ensure only retail accounts are invested in that fund, and certification that you are abiding by each fund's rules and have controls in place to designate accounts as retail accounts.
- 3. You can invest your retail accounts in retail prime/municipal funds and you can invest your institutional accounts in <u>institutional prime/municipal funds</u> with the understanding that these might not trade at 1.00 and could impose liquidity fees/gate.



Retail (natural persons) vs Institutional

Examples of Types of Retail Accounts

Natural persons represent the beneficial ownership interest of these accounts

- · Individual accounts (brokerage or mutual fund)
- Retirement accounts, including workplace defined contribution plans
- College savings plans
- Health savings plans
- Ordinary trusts
- Accounts sold through intermediaries with the underlying beneficial ownership being a natural person

Examples of Types of Institutional Accounts

Natural persons do not represent the beneficial ownership interest of these accounts

- Accounts with registrations based on a tax identification number with the beneficiary not being a natural person
- Small business accounts
- Defined benefit plans
- Endowments

This example is from Fidelity's website.

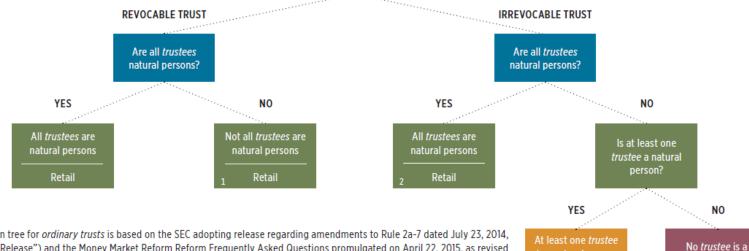


Treatment of Ordinary Trusts Under the Retail Money Market Fund Definition Decision Tree to Analyze Whether Ordinary Trusts Are Beneficially Owned by Natural Persons

Is the trust a revocable trust or an irrevocable trust?

Revocable trust: A trust is revocable if it can be wholly amended or revoked by the *grantor* without the consent of any other person or entity, or if all of the assets can be withdrawn by the *grantor* without the consent of any other person or entity. A trust also is revocable if any other individual (such as a *beneficiary*) may withdraw all of the trust assets without the consent of any other person or entity. If the *grantor* of a revocable trust dies, or if the individual with a withdrawal right dies, the trust may become irrevocable.

Irrevocable trust: A trust is irrevocable if it cannot be amended or revoked by the grantor once created.



This decision tree for *ordinary trusts* is based on the SEC adopting release regarding amendments to Rule 2a-7 dated July 23, 2014, ("Adopting Release") and the Money Market Reform Reform Frequently Asked Questions promulgated on April 22, 2015, as revised on August 4, 2015 (the "MMF FAQs"). Please note that the MMF FAQs represent the views of the staff of the Division of Investment Management, and that they are not a rule, regulation, or statement of the SEC, and the SEC has neither approved nor disapproved the MMF FAQs or interpretive answers thereto.

FACTORS

- » Ordinary trusts are established by individuals (i.e., the grantor is an individual).
- » The Adopting Release and Question 16 of the MMF FAQs provide that beneficial ownership by a natural person is determined based on *investment power* as set forth in Rule 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- » The MMF FAQs clarified that a beneficiary's pecuniary interest in a trust is not relevant in determining beneficial ownership of a trust for purposes of this analysis.
- » Italicized terms not defined on this page are defined in the definitions section on the next page, together with the footnotes.





natural person

Non-retail

Case-by-case

analysis



DEFINITIONS

Grantor:

A beneficiary is a person or entity who has a present or future interest in the trust property; the trust property is held for the benefit of a beneficiary or beneficiaries. The MMF FAQs clarified that a beneficiary's pecuniary interest in a trust is not relevant in determining beneficial ownership of a trust for purposes of this analysis.

Also known as the settlor, the grantor is the person who creates and/or funds a trust. If more than one person contributes property to a trust, each person who makes a contribution is a grantor of that trust.

Rule 13d-3(a)(2) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 provides that investment power includes the power to dispose, or to direct the disposition of, a security. Investment power:

- Ordinary trust: An ordinary trust, as defined in Section 7701 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), is one that is created by will or lifetime declaration by which trustees take title to property to conserve it for the beneficiaries under the ordinary rules of state chancery or probate courts. Ordinary trusts do not include business trusts, investment trusts, liquidating trusts, or environmental remediation trusts, as those terms are defined in Section 7701 of the Code.
- Trustee: A trustee is the person or entity legally responsible for managing the investments and controlling distributions from a trust. The trustee typically has the power to invest and/or change or dispose of an investment (although this may be modified by the grantor, as in a directed trust). A trust may have one or more trustees. If there is a change in trustee, this analysis must be reviewed.

Directed trust: A trust in which the grantor has appointed an individual or entity other than all the trustees to control investment decisions.

NOTES

- 1. The grantor of a revocable trust has the absolute right to terminate the trust and reacquire trust assets (i.e., the power to dispose of investments made by the trust). Therefore, because the grantor of an ordinary trust is an individual, a natural person has investment power regardless of whether the trustee is a natural person. Similarly, if another individual (such as a beneficiary) has the right to withdraw all of the trust assets (i.e., a withdrawal right), a natural person has investment power regardless of whether the trustee is a natural person.
- An irrevocable trust whose trustees are all natural persons who have investment power (unless it is a directed trust for which an entity has investment power).
- 3. If an irrevocable trust has multiple trustees, at least one of whom is an individual, absent additional information, a natural person may not have investment power. These trusts can be reviewed on a case-by-case basis as there are many circumstances when it would be reasonable to conclude that such a trust is beneficially owned by natural persons. For example, if a majority of the trustees are individuals, natural persons may have investment power by virtue of their majority action. Similarly, if a directed trust has a corporate trustee that cannot invest without direction from individuals, a natural person has investment power.
- 4. An irrevocable trust without individual trustees does not have a natural person controlling investment power (unless it is a directed trust for which an individual has investment power).

This decision tree is designed to provide guidelines for determining whether a trust is beneficially owned by a natural person. Because trusts are established under state law and the terms of trusts can vary significantly, each trust must be examined individually. You should consult with legal counsel before designing any policies and procedures reasonably designed to determine whether a particular trust is beneficially owned by a natural person.







Money Market Funds currently owned:

- Invesco (Aim) G.A.P. C.M.
- Invesco (Aim) Premier US Govt M.P.
- Invesco (Aim) Liquid Asst Institutional
- Invesco (Aim) Premier Inst
- Invesco (Aim) Premier Tax Exempt
- Invesco (Aim) Tax Free C.M.
- Invesco (Aim) Treasury C.M.
- Dreyfus Cash Advantage Fund #099
- Dreyfus CAL AMT-Free Muni #6188
- Federated Government #05
- Federated Prime #10
- Federated Tax Free #15
- Federated Government #395

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60934N807



Money Market Funds currently owned cont.:

- Federated Prime #396
- Federated Tax Free #397
- Federated Cal Muni #800
- Federated MN Tax Free #081
- Federated Prime #851
- Federated Treasury #862
- Fidelity Tax Exempt #56
- Fidelity Govt. #57
- Fidelity MM Portfolio #59
- Fidelity Treasury #680
- Fidelity Prime #690
- Fidelity Prime #691

60934N708 (Floating NAV, Fees/Gates) 60934N880 (Retail only, Fees/Gates) 60934N369 (Retail only, Fees/Gates) 60934N492 (Retail only, Fees/Gates) 60934N625 (Retail only, Fees/Gates) 60934N823 316176106 (Retail only, Fees/Gates) 316175108 316175207 (Retail only, Fees/Gates) 233809300

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What if I have Institutional Investor's in a Retail Prime Fund?

- Contact your CSA and have them moved as soon as possible.
- You can move these accounts to a Government Fund or you can move them to an Institutional Prime Fund with the understanding that these funds might not trade at 1.00 and are subject to gates/fees.***
- You can move them to an in-house money market.
- You can move them to an insured deposit program (Total Bank Solutions or Reich & Tang)
- *****FIS has not released the update that allows for non 1.00 for 1.00 money market funds.
 They are working on it and it should be released prior to the October date. Should this be delayed you will not be permitted to invest in Institutional funds.



What if I'm in a Prime Fund and I just want to move my entire position to a Government Fund?

- This must be scheduled with your CSA, Please provide at least 10 days prior notice.
- The switch of funds is a 2 day process and cannot cross over a month-end.
- Do not wait until October to make your decision to move.
- Your client will see a sell of old fund and a purchase into new fund.



How can I avoid the potential fees or gates?

- Move to a Government Fund
- Move to an in-house money market.
- Move to an Insured Deposit Program



What else should I be prepared for?

- TMN will be providing you with a Money Market Certification Form that you will need to complete and sign.
 - This form is certifying that you will monitor to your accounts and ensure compliance with all fund company requirements. (i.e. no institutional investors in retail only funds)