

Individual savings accounts administration

FA5: 2025–26 edition

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Please note the following update to your copy of the 2025–26 edition of the **FA5** study text:

On 1 December 2025, the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS) deposit protection limit increased from £85,000 to £120,000. The limit applicable to certain temporary high balance claims also increased on 1 December 2025 from £1 million to £1.4m.

Therefore, the following content should be updated as noted in **bold**.

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Please amend the first paragraph, delete the first 'Be aware box' and amend the second 'Be aware' box:

Depositors based in the UK are covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). The FSCS is a bank deposit protection scheme that provides protection for the first £85,000 (**£120,000 from 1 December 2025**) of deposits per person with an authorised institution.



FSCS compensation

- The limits of compensation apply for each investor.
- An investor with several accounts with the same bank or building society cannot recover more than those investors who hold all of their money in one account.
- Joint account holders can each recover up to the maximum limit of compensation in respect of the same account.
- If accounts are held at banks and building societies that are subsidiaries of a larger group and it is only the parent company that is authorised, only the first £85,000 of the aggregate is protected (**£120,000 from 1 December 2025**).

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9. This is a bank deposit protection scheme that provides protection for the first £85,000 (**£120,000 from 1 December 2025**) of deposits per person with an authorised institution.

Notes

- This change will be examined from 27 February 2026.
- This update will be incorporated into the digital copies (printable PDF and ebook) of the study text, available on RevisionMate.