

installation, as telecommunication service ancillary thereto, provide credit card service in relation to telephone calls and related services and facilities and for that purpose issue to the subscriber a credit card in respect of a specified installation, to be held by the holder of the credit card.

(2) The subscriber shall, when applying for credit card service, specify in writing the name of the holder who shall be, in a case where the subscriber is a body corporate or unincorporate a person nominated by or on behalf of that body, or in any other case either the subscriber or a person nominated by him.

(3) The subscriber shall pay rental for credit card service at the rate specified in item 9 of Schedule 18 in respect of each separate credit card issued to him.

(4) The subscriber shall not permit any person other than the holder of the credit card to be in possession of the card and neither the subscriber nor the holder of the card shall disclose the number of the credit card to any person other than a telephone exchange operator (or other person to whom disclosure is authorised by the Post Office) to whom a request to establish a credit card call is being made.

(5) The subscriber shall notify the Post Office immediately on becoming aware that a credit card has been lost or stolen or that a credit card number has been irregularly disclosed.

(6) The Post Office may, on becoming aware (in consequence of a notification by the subscriber or otherwise) that any of the events referred to in sub-paragraph (5) has occurred, after giving notice of its intention to the subscriber, summarily cease to provide credit card service in respect of which the relevant credit card had been issued and, in addition, if it considers that the subscriber has failed to perform or observe any obligation imposed on him by sub-paragraph (4), summarily cease to provide credit card service in respect of which any other credit card had been issued to the subscriber.

(7) If telephone service by means of an installation ceases to be provided, any credit card service which is ancillary to that service shall also cease to be provided.

(8) The provisions about termination of credit card service specified in sub-paragraph (6) and (7) shall be in addition to the provisions of this Scheme relating to the termination of telecommunication service by the Post Office or the subscriber which apply to credit card service.

(9) A credit card shall cease to be valid immediately if the credit card is lost or stolen or the credit card number is irregularly disclosed but otherwise it shall cease to be valid after 31st December of the year for which it was issued or on such earlier day on which credit card service or telephone service by means of the installation in respect of which the credit card was issued is terminated.

(10) In a case where a credit card has ceased to be valid or will cease to be valid on 31st December, without credit card service or telephone service by means of the installation in respect of which the credit card was issued having been terminated, the Post Office may, unless the subscriber has requested it not to do so, issue to the subscriber a fresh credit card for a further period for the purpose of providing him with credit card service in accordance with his original application.

(11) The subscriber or the holder of the credit card nominated by him shall not make or attempt to make a credit card call by quoting the number of a credit card after it has ceased to be valid. The subscriber shall take all practicable steps to ensure that the holder complies with this condition and to recover from him the credit card promptly after it ceases to be valid.

(12) The subscriber shall destroy a credit card when it ceases to be valid, unless he is unable to do so by reason of the card having been lost or stolen.

(13) Calls may be made as credit card calls as follows:

- (a) from any telephone on the Post Office system;
- (b) from any telephone in a ship or aircraft registered in any part of the United Kingdom or the Isle of Man, or from a station for wireless telegraphy on

board a ship or aircraft licensed or required to be licensed in that behalf under the provisions of section 1 of the Wireless Telegraphy Act 1949, if the call is transmitted by wireless telegraphy over the first part of its course to a station for wireless telegraphy established on land within the United Kingdom or the Isle of Man;

(c) from any other telephone;

provided, in cases (b) and (c), that appropriate arrangements have been made by the Post Office permitting credit card calls of the description concerned to be made under the authority of credit card numbers allocated by the Post Office.

(14) If a person requests the telephone exchange operator (or other person to whom disclosure of the credit card number for the purpose of obtaining a credit card call is authorised by the Post Office) to establish a call which involves the use of the Post Office telephone system as a credit card call and quotes a credit card number allocated by the Post Office the operator (or other person aforesaid) may comply with that request, in which case the charges in respect of the call and for any services or facilities in relation to the call will be payable on demand, in accordance with the provisions of sub-paragraph (15) and (16) and subject to the exceptions referred to in the proviso to sub-paragraph (15), by the person on whose application credit card service was originally provided (referred to in the following provisions of this paragraph as "the original subscriber"), even if when the call was made credit card service in respect of which the relevant credit card had been issued had previously been terminated or was terminated after the call had been made (in either case with or without telephone service to which credit card service was ancillary having also been terminated). In a case where either of the exceptions referred to in the proviso to sub-paragraph (15) applies, the charges which the original subscriber would have been otherwise liable to pay shall be payable on demand by the person who made the call.

(15) The charges in respect of a credit card call which are payable in accordance with sub-paragraph (14) shall be:

(a) where the call is made from a telephone in the United Kingdom, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands, or a ship or aircraft to another telephone so situated or to a telephone in the Republic of Ireland, such charges in respect of the call as would have been payable if the call had been made otherwise than as a credit card call and, in addition, the service charge for the credit card call specified in item 4 of Part 1 of Schedule 27;

(b) where the call is made otherwise than as in (a), such call charge and such service charge as the Post Office may fix;

Provided that the following exceptions shall apply to calls made as in (a) or (b):

(i) in a case where notification has been received by the Post Office from the original subscriber in accordance with sub-paragraph (4) that a credit card has been lost or stolen or that a credit card number has been irregularly disclosed and, thereafter, a credit card call is made without the knowledge or consent of the original subscriber or the holder of the credit card, no charge for the call shall be payable by the original subscriber if the Post Office is satisfied that all reasonable precautions were taken to safeguard the credit card from being lost or stolen and the credit card number from being disclosed;

(ii) in a case where a credit card has ceased to be valid and the original subscriber (not being the holder) is able to satisfy the Post Office that he informed the holder of the credit card that the credit card had ceased to be valid and that the holder was no longer authorised to make credit card calls by quoting its number and, after being so informed, the holder, nevertheless, did make such a call, no charge for the call shall be payable by the original subscriber.

(16) The charges payable in accordance with sub-paragraphs (14) and (15) shall be payable by the original subscriber or the person who made the call (as the case may be) in a case where the call is irregularly obtained by quoting the number of a credit card which has ceased to be valid as well as in a case where the call is obtained by quoting the number of a valid credit card.