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Glossary of Terms

Term	Definition
AOS	*Additional Optional Service* offered by a bank
Beneficiary	The person who receives a *Credit Transfer* payment
Beneficiary Bank	The bank where the Beneficiary holds their account
BIC	*Bank Identifier Code* is the *SWIFT Address* assigned to a bank in order to send automated payments quickly and accurately to the banks concerned
Claim	See *Direct Debit*
Collection	See *Direct Debit*
Collection Date	See *Due Date*
Creditor	An *Originator* who raises *SEPA Direct Debit* transactions for collection of funds from *Debtors* on the basis that the *Debtor* has given authorisation via signing a *Direct Debit Mandate* (for *DD+* Originators, on-line sign-up continues to be valid under the *SEPA* scheme)
Creditor Bank	The bank where the *SEPA Direct Debit Creditor* holds their account
Creditor ID	A *SEPA* scheme identifier required for Originators of *SEPA Direct Debits* – issued by *IPSO*
CSM	Clearing and Settlement Mechanism
CT	Credit Transfer
DD	Direct Debit
DD+	An existing scheme for Irish Originators called DD+ (Plus). A similar derogation will exist in *SEPA* where *Creditors* can get *Debtors* to authorise/sign mandates using online methods such as over the phone or on the internet, as long as the scripts are approved by the sponsoring bank
Debit Date	See *Due Date*

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Debtor	The person who pays the direct debit and has signed the SEPA *Direct Debit Mandate*
Debtor Bank	The bank where the *Debtor* holds their account
Dematerialised Mandate	An electronic version of the SEPA *Direct Debit Mandate* signed by the *Debtor*. All fields are stored as per recorded on the mandate without alteration. This electronic version of the mandate forms the basis for input of the electronic *Direct Debit* instruction to the *Creditor Bank*
Direct Debit Mandate	A signed Direct Debit Mandate is the means by which a *Debtor* authorises a *Creditor* to collect money from their bank account which is specified on the mandate. Signing can be via paper or as per current online methods for *DD+ Originators*
Due Date	For *SEPA Direct Debits*, this is the date the *Creditor* is credited and the *Debtor* is debited. For *SEPA Credit Transfer*, this is the date the *Originator* is debited and the *Beneficiary* is credited. This is also known as value date, settlement date, debit date, execution date or collection date
EPC	*European Payments Council* is the decision-making and co-ordination body of the European banking industry in relation to payments
Execution Date	See *Due Date*
IBAN	*International Bank Account Number* is the account number quoted in the international format. The Irish IBAN is made up of the country code, check digit, bank reference, NSC and account number of the customer
IPSO	*Irish Payment Services Organisation Ltd* is the representative industry body, the voice and guardian of the payments industry and the strategic interface with all payments stakeholders. IPSO's role is to provide strategic leadership and direction to the payments industry as a whole, including the impact of technology, regulation, European and international developments and communicate strategic guidance to the individual arms of the industry
IRECC	*Irish Retail Electronic Payments Clearing Company Ltd* was established to create, maintain and operate an electronic funds transfer payment, clearing and settlement system for domestic electronic payments. The company is responsible for the inter-bank clearing of electronic items between banks and other financial institutions, the development and imposition of the clearing rules and for the administration of the direct debit scheme. It is also responsible for daily settlement with the Central Bank
ISO20022	*ISO20022* is an international message standard for financial messaging taking a single standardisation approach (methodology, process, repository) to be used by all financial standards initiatives
MRI	*Mandate Related Information* is part of the direct debit collection that the *Creditor* sends to their *Creditor Bank*
NPIP	*National Payments Implementation Programme* was established to deliver a more efficient and cost effective payments environment in Ireland
NPP	*National Payments Plan* within *NPIP* is tasked with making strategic changes to the payments landscape in Ireland, including *SEPA*
Originator (Credit Transfers)	The *Originator* raises credit transfer transactions to make payments to *Beneficiaries*

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Originator (Direct Debits)	See *Creditor*
Originator Bank	The bank where the *Originator* holds their account
PSD	*Payment Services Directive* is the directive which established the legal framework for *SEPA*. This framework had to be implemented in the national laws of each participating country
PSP	*Payment Service Provider* is a financial institution
Reachability	The term used to describe that banks can accept *SEPA Direct Debits* and *SEPA Credit Transfers*
Recall	An *Originator* initiated *R-Message* to recall a file of payments if raised for any of the following reasons: technical error, fraudulent or duplicate. This can result in a positive or negative recall response from the *Beneficiary Bank*
Refund	These are claims by the *Debtor* for reimbursement of a direct debit: 1) Authorised Refund - within 8 weeks of *Due Date* and no questions asked, *Creditor Bank* must accept this type of refund 2) Unauthorised Refund - between 8 weeks and 13 months of *Due Date*, investigation required to determine if the direct debit should not have been paid
Refusal	Where a *Debtor* requests their bank not to pay the direct debit before settlement
Reject	A direct debit that is diverted from normal execution, pre-settlement, by *Creditor Bank, Debtor Bank or CSM*
Return	A direct debit that is diverted from normal execution, post settlement by the *Debtor Bank*
Reversal	A *Creditor* initiated request, to re-credit the *Debtor* who they have debited in error. Must be completed within 5 days of original *Debit Date*
Revocation	*AOS* that your bank may offer to recall direct debits before they are passed to the *CSM*
R-Messages	The name given to *SEPA Direct Debits* or *SEPA Credit Transfers* that are diverted from the normal course of execution *(Refunds, Returns, Rejects)*
Scheme Participant	All those that sign the adherence agreement
SCT	*SEPA Credit Transfer*
SDD	*SEPA Direct Debit*
SEPA	The *Single Euro Payments Area* is a European-driven regulation that was originally conceived as part of the Lisbon Agenda in 2000. It aims to create an integrated pan-European payments market that will allow payments in euro to be made and received in and between each of the 32 SEPA member countries under the same conditions and as efficiently as within national borders as before
SEPA Credit Transfer	*SEPA Credit Transfer* defined as an electronic instruction to pay a *Beneficiary* from an *Originator's* account via the SEPA Credit Transfer scheme (in euro). This is also known as a payment
SEPA Direct Debit	*SEPA Direct Debit* defined as an electronic instruction to collect funds from a *Debtor* to a *Creditor's* account via the SEPA Direct Debit scheme (in euro). This is also known as a *Collection* or a *Claim*

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SEPA Payment Instrument	The pan-European payment instruments for payments in euro that will be delivered by banks under the *SEPA* Programme
SEPA Payment Scheme	The rules and practices for the provision and operation of a *SEPA* payment instrument agreed at inter-bank level in a competitive environment
Settlement Date	See *Due Date*
Sponsoring Bank	A bank that provides direct debit or credit transfer services to an *Originator*
SWIFT Address	See *BIC*
Transaction	See *SEPA Credit Transfer* See *SEPA Direct Debit*
UMR	*Unique Mandate Reference* is a unique reference which identifies each *Direct Debit Mandate* signed by the *Debtor* for any given *Creditor*, known as mandate identifier on the *SEPA Direct Debit* transaction
Value Date	See *Due Date*

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