



Chip Financial LTD

Chip Instant Access Account Powered by ClearBank

Your Instant Access Account will be provided by ClearBank, a Bank authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority. Chip will provide the day-to-day servicing of the Account on behalf of ClearBank, including being your point of contact for any questions you may have. Your deposits held by ClearBank are covered by FSCS up to £85,000 (subject to eligibility). Please note this limit is for funds held by you at ClearBank. If you have other accounts held at ClearBank, including other Chip accounts in your name, the balance of these accounts may be amalgamated, with any amount exceeding that (except in special circumstances) unlikely to be protected.

ClearBank Terms & Conditions
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ClearBank Terms and Conditions

1. Our agreement

- 1.1 These Terms and Conditions are between you and ClearBank Limited ("**we**", "**us**" or "**our**"), which will last until you or we close your Chip Instant Access Account Powered by ClearBank (your "**Account**") in accordance with section 20. These Terms and Conditions are separate from any other agreement that you enter into with Chip, including but not limited to:
- (a) Chip's Terms of Use, available at: <https://getchip.uk/legal/terms-of-use>; and
 - (b) Chip Instant Access Terms and Conditions, available at: <https://getchip.uk/legal/instant-access-account-terms>

(together the "**Chip Terms and Conditions**").

- 1.2 To have a Chip Account you must be (and continue to be):

- (a) at least 18 years old;
- (b) a UK resident (with sole UK residency for tax purposes); and
- (c) a Chip Customer.

During the account application and opening process, you will be required to provide Chip with your personal details and in some cases, identification documentation before you are able to open an Account.

- 1.3 In addition to these Terms and Conditions, you must also agree to comply with the Chip Terms and Conditions to access and use your Account.
- 1.4 You can obtain a copy of these Terms and Conditions at any time via the Chip App. If you'd like this document in another format such as large print, Braille or audio, please contact Chip.
- 1.5 If you change your mind and no longer wish to have a Chip Account, you can cancel or close it free of charge at any time by following the instructions set out in section 19.

2. Our details

- 2.1 Our details are: ClearBank Limited (company number 09736376) Borough Yards, 13 Dirty Lane, London, SE1 9PA.
- 2.2 We are authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority (PRA) and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) and the PRA under firm reference number 754568. If you would like further information about this, please see the FCA register at <https://register.fca.org.uk>, or call the FCA on 0300 500 8082.

3. Your details

- 3.1 We use the information and contact details you give us to provide your Account and related services to you. It's important that this is accurate and complete at all times.
- 3.2 If your personal details change or you no longer meet our eligibility requirements (such as being a UK tax resident), you must tell us as soon as possible through the Chip App. This includes changes to your home address, email address, contact numbers, name, or nationality.

4. Communicating with you

- 4.1 All communications relating to your Chip Account will be made through the Chip App or otherwise handled by the Chip customer support team in English. In some cases, other methods such as an email from Chip might be used.

- 4.2 It's important to look out for messages on the Chip App, as this will be the normal way of contacting you. We'll assume you've received a message if it's available on the Chip App when you log in to your account.

5. How your account works

- 5.1 To access your Account, you must have downloaded the Chip App. The Chip App is provided to you by Chip in accordance with the Chip Terms and Conditions and may be updated from time to time. You are responsible for ensuring that you have downloaded the latest version of the Chip App. If you have not downloaded the latest version, or you have not upgraded your device's operating system to the latest available, then you may not be able to access all of the features of your Account.
- 5.2 Your Account is not a current account, so it cannot be used for everyday use such as for day-to-day spending or receiving or sending money to other people. This also means that payments like wages, salary, benefits or pension payments should not be paid into it.
- 5.3 When you open your Account, you must provide Chip with the details of a UK pound sterling current account held solely in your name. This is known as your "Nominated Account". You will need the account number and sort code of the account you want to set up as your Nominated Account along with the details of the debit card attached to your Nominated Account. In certain circumstances, we may need additional documentation to verify that the Nominated Account and the debit card is held in your name.
- 5.4 All payments into and out of your Account must be made via the Nominated Account. It's really important that you give Chip the correct details of your Nominated Account, including if you have changed or switched accounts to another provider, so that payments are made to the correct account. We'll try to get your money back if you accidentally give us the wrong details. However, we won't be responsible if your money can't be recovered or if it's delayed getting to the Nominated Account.
- 5.5 You can change your Nominated Account via the Chip App. If, for any reason, a payment you requested us to make to the Nominated Account is returned to us, we'll contact you about returning the money to you.
- 5.6 There may be limits that apply to your Account including a maximum account balance or payment transaction limits. Please refer to the limits provided via the Chip App and/or in the Chip Terms and Conditions.
- 5.7 If you exceed the maximum account balance, you may be contacted by Chip and required to bring your Account back to within the maximum account balance limits.
- 5.8 If you exceed your payment transaction limits this will be dealt with in accordance with section 8.2.

6. Paying into your Account

- 6.1 You can fund your Account from your Nominated Account by authorising "Saves" through the Chip App in accordance with the Chip Terms and Conditions. Saves are processed by Chip using the debit card linked to your Nominated Account, and can either be manual or automatic depending on the parameters you have set within the Chip App. You should refer to the Chip Terms and Conditions for more information about how to make Saves.
- 6.2 Subject to section 6.3, we will credit your Account as soon as we receive the payment and update your balance. As Saves are processed by Chip using your debit card, this will be once we have received the payment from Chip, which may be up to 2 working days after the date of the transaction.
- 6.3 We will return any funds received from an account other than your Nominated Account. There may also be times when we have to stop money coming into your Account for legal or regulatory reasons.

7. **Withdrawing money from your Account**

- 7.1 You can make payments from your Account by bank transfer to your Nominated Account only. You can give us instructions and consent to a payment from your Account through the Chip App, including by providing all the information requested.
- 7.2 Subject to section 8, payment instructions made through the Chip App before 5pm (UK time) on a working day will be processed as soon as possible on the same working day. If your payment instruction is made after 5pm (UK time) on a working day or on a non-working day, we will process your instruction on the next working day. When we say working day, we mean Monday to Friday but not UK bank holidays.
- 7.3 As we start processing your payment instructions as soon as we receive them, it is not possible to cancel your instructions once they have been made.
- 7.4 Any payment from your Account will be with your Nominated Account on the same working day if processed by us prior to 5pm (UK time) on a working day and otherwise no later than the working day following the day on which your payment instruction is processed by us.

8. **When we won't make payments or can delay payments**

- 8.1 You will not be able to submit a payment instruction through the Chip App unless you have provided all the information required, including telling us when the payment should be made.
- 8.2 We will follow your payment instructions, unless:
- we need to ask you for further information to complete the payment and you don't provide it to us;
 - you don't have enough money in your Account to make the payment;
 - you exceed your maximum account limit or payment transaction limits;
 - we reasonably believe that you did not give the instruction or that it could be fraudulent or related to criminal activity;
 - we think the instructions are unclear;
 - we reasonably believe that making the payment would cause us to breach any law or regulation that applies to us; or
 - you have broken any of these Terms and Conditions in a serious way.
- 8.3 Sometimes we or Chip need to make checks or ask you for further information before we can carry out a payment instruction, which may delay the payment.
- 8.4 Unless we are prevented by a legal, regulatory or security reason, you will be notified through the Chip App when an instruction has not been followed. Where possible, we will tell you why this has happened and how you can resolve the issue.

9. **Interest**

- 9.1 You will receive interest on funds held in your Account.
- 9.2 Interest is calculated on a daily basis on cleared funds in your Account and is paid monthly in accordance with the Chip Terms and Conditions.
- 9.3 Where an interest payment period incorporates the leap year day of 29th February, the daily interest will be calculated to include that extra day. This means that the interest rate accrued on a daily basis may be different.
- 9.4 Interest is earned up to and including the day prior to withdrawal of funds or closure of the Account.

- 9.5 Interest rates are variable and may be altered in accordance with the Chip Terms and Conditions.
- 9.6 From time to time, separately from, and not as part of, the services we provide to you, Chip may award or give you directly cash bonuses, rewards, other promotions, or incentives pursuant to the Chip Terms and Conditions which you should check for full details concerning such awards or gifts.
10. **Fees and charges**
- 10.1 We do not charge you fees for using your Account.
- 10.2 There might be costs, fees, charges, or taxes that you have to pay that are outside of our control and not charged by us. For example, Chip may charge for the services it provides. Please also check with your Nominated Account provider or card issuer for any fees or charges applicable to their services.
11. **Information about your account**
- 11.1 You can view your Account balance at any time by accessing the Chip App.
- 11.2 Information about your Account, including details of payments into or out of Account, are available to view and can be downloaded through the Chip App. We suggest you download this information for your own records.
12. **Keeping your account safe**
- 12.1 You must take reasonable steps to keep any security details relevant to the access and use of your Account, such as any passwords or PINs used to access the Chip App, safe and you must never share your security details with anyone. If someone makes an unauthorised payment out of your Account because you've failed to keep safe your security details, we won't normally refund the payment.
- 12.2 If you think that someone might have unauthorised access to your security details or your account security has been compromised then you must let Chip know as soon as you can. You can contact Chip via the live chat in the Chip App or if you have lost your phone, via their website <https://www.getchip.uk/chip-contact>. In these circumstances, your access to your Account may be suspended until we are satisfied that there is no longer a security risk, or your login details may be reset.
13. **Reporting unauthorised payments**
- 13.1 You should check your monthly statements and transaction history through the Chip App on a regular basis to identify any potential unauthorised access to or use of your Account and to check for transactions which you do not recognise.
- 13.2 If you think a transaction that was not authorised by you has been processed or that a transaction has not been carried out in accordance with your instructions, you must contact us immediately via the Chip App or via their website <https://www.getchip.uk/chip-contact>.
- 13.3 If we need to tell you that there has been (or we suspect there has been) fraudulent activity on your Account or that the security of your Account may be at risk, we will contact you using the contact details registered to your Account.
14. **Blocking access to your account**
- 14.1 We can stop or suspend your ability to access your Account and/or to make payments from your Account if, for example:
- you have broken any applicable law, or the law requires us to;
 - we reasonably suspect fraud or unauthorised use;
 - we reasonably believe this is necessary to protect your Account;

- you have broken any part of these Terms and Conditions in a serious way; or
- you are no longer able to access the Chip App because Chip has suspended or terminated your access in accordance with Chip Terms and Conditions.

14.2 Unless we're prevented by a legal, regulatory or security reason, we'll normally tell you before or immediately after blocking access to your Account and, if possible, explain why this has happened. We'll do this via the Chip App or we'll call or email you using the contact details registered to your Account.

15. If something goes wrong

15.1 You should contact Chip through the Chip App as soon as you can if you think that a payment from your Account is incorrect or unauthorised, or if security details relating to your Account have been lost or stolen. If, in any event, you don't tell us within thirteen (13) months, then you might not be entitled to a refund.

15.2 Subject to section 15.1 above, the table below shows what we (or Chip or another subcontractor acting on our behalf) will do when something goes wrong.

15.3 What went wrong?	15.4 Our liability to you
We incorrectly made a payment out of your Account - because we didn't send it to your Nominated Account in accordance with instructions.	We will refund the payment amount and any charges linked to that payment.
<p>A payment from your Account was unauthorised, unless:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • you've been deliberately or grossly negligent with your security details; or • we can prove you acted fraudulently. 	<p>We will refund the unauthorised payment amount and any charges linked to that payment, except where the security details relating to your Account have been lost or stolen, we will not refund you for the first £35.</p> <p>You will receive a full refund for any unauthorised payments which take place after you have notified us of the unauthorised payment or that the security details relating to your Account have been lost or stolen.</p>
<p>The payment you asked us to make to your Nominated Account is late due to our error.</p> <p>We were late adding a payment you received to your Account due to our error.</p>	We will put you back to the position that you would have been in if we had not made the error.
You made a mistake and gave us the wrong payment details for a payment	<p>If you make a mistake, we will use our reasonable efforts to help fix the problem (which might mean getting your money back), but we can charge a fee for this.</p> <p>If we can't recover the payment, then we will not be able to refund the payment to your Account.</p> <p>If the payment has been received by the recipient's bank, then you will need to ask them about obtaining a refund. You can contact Chip if you need information about the payment to help you try and recover it.</p>

15.5 If we have to give you a refund, we'll do this as soon as we can and no later than the end of the next working day following the day that we receive your request. In certain circumstances we may need to investigate your claim further to check that you're entitled to a refund. If we find that you're not entitled to a refund but we have already paid it, we will reclaim the refund.

15.6 If funds are added to your Account because of a system error or a mistake, you agree that we can automatically reclaim those funds. If you believe the funds were not received in error or by mistake, you may log a complaint about this issue.

16. APP Scam Claims

16.1 Effective from 7 October 2024, there are new rules which protect victims of Authorised Push Payment ("APP") scams. These rules apply to personal accounts, covering Faster Payments and CHAPS. Payments made before 7 October 2024 or by debit card are excluded.

16.2 If you believe you have been a victim of an APP scam, please contact Chip immediately and provide all requested information to assist with their investigations. Chip will be responsible for:

- Receiving and assessing APP scam claims;
- Investigating the circumstances of the scam;
- Deciding on eligibility for reimbursement; and
- Processing and paying out valid claims.

16.3 Please note that claims must be made within 13 months of the last payment to the scammer. If you are not eligible for compensation, Chip will explain the reasons for rejecting your claim.

17. Our general liability

17.1 Except for things in section 15 above and things which we cannot limit or exclude in respect of our liability to you at law (including liability to you for fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation, or for any of the regulatory duties we owe you), we will not be liable to you, including for any of the following:

- losses you incur for loss of business, loss of profits, or damage to any goodwill;
- loss where you have acted fraudulently or with intent or gross negligence;
- loss where you have given us details which are wrong or insufficient (for example, the wrong payee details);
- loss where you are in breach of these Terms and Conditions;
- losses arising because we have not followed an instruction from you for a reason we give in these Terms and Conditions;
- losses we could not reasonably have predicted at the time when you opened your Account; or
- losses arising from us, or our subcontractors, being unable to provide our services in accordance with these Terms and Conditions because of abnormal and unforeseen circumstances beyond our reasonable control, such as strikes, the failure of any payment scheme we use, or extreme weather.

18. **Changing these Terms and Conditions**

18.1 *Why we can make changes*

We can amend these Terms and Conditions if:

- we're changing our charges, rates or limits;
- we are making changes to the way the Account operates or its features, or we are introducing new services relating to the Account, including changes to technology, the systems we use or our relationship with other providers that help us to run the Account;
- it is necessary to comply with a change in law, regulation, or related guidance, or to reflect changes in the banking industry standards or market practice.

If we need to change these Terms and Conditions for any other reason, notice of the change and the reasons why will be provided to you by Chip (subject to section 18.2 below).

18.2 *Telling you about changes*

We will usually give you 30 days' notice of any changes to these Terms and Conditions. The date when the change will take effect will be included in the notice.

In some cases, you may not be notified in advance of a change being made, for example:

- if we reasonably think that the change benefits you (for example we introduce a new service);
- if we make a change to comply with law, regulation or related guidance and we are not reasonably able to provide advance notice; or
- if there are minor changes to your Account or the way it operates that do not affect the quality of the service, your Account functions or your rights under these Terms and Conditions.

18.3 *If you are not happy with the changes*

If you do not want to accept the changes, you can close your Account through Chip App at any time before the change takes place.

19. **Closing your Account**

19.1 You can close your Account at any time via the Chip App. If you close your Account, you will need to withdraw all funds from the Account prior to closing it.

19.2 If you are closing your Account within fourteen (14) days of opening it, and you have paid us any fees, we will refund them.

19.3 We can close your Account and end these Terms and Conditions by giving you two month's notice. If we close your, Chip will send the funds in your Account to your Nominated Account prior to closing it.

19.4 We may, however, end these Terms and Conditions immediately and close your Account if any of the following happen:

- we have reasonable grounds to suspect there has been (or if we know there has been) fraudulent or criminal activity on your Account;
- you have seriously or repeatedly broken any of these Terms and Conditions;
- you fail anti-money laundering or other identity checks we conduct on you;

- we reasonably think that you might put us in breach of law or regulation;
- we discover that any of the information you have provided is false or misleading; or
- your agreement with Chip comes to an end.

20. Complaints

20.1 If you would like to make a complaint in relation to your Account, you should contact Chip in one of the following ways:

- By email to hello@getchip.uk
- By post to Chip Financial Ltd., Fora Montacute Yards, 186 Shoreditch High Street, London, United Kingdom, E1 6HU
- By using Chip's live-chat (this can be found under the profile tab in the Chip App).

Your complaint will be acknowledged within 2 working days from you sending it, and you will be kept informed on the progress of your complaint until you have received a final response. More details about our complaints handling process is available from <https://www.getchip.uk/complaints>.

20.2 If the complaint is not resolved to your satisfaction, or you have not received a final response within 8 weeks from making your complaint, then you may be able to complain to the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS) at: <http://www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk/>. You can also call or write to the FOS on 0800 023 4567 or at Exchange Tower, Harbour Exchange, London, E14 9SR.

Further information about your eligibility and the details of the service can be obtained from the FOS website.

20.3 Alternatively, you can contact the Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution Service and seek advice about an alternative way to resolve your dispute. Contact details for the Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution are:

- By post to Consumer Complaints, 70 Fleet Street, London, EC4Y 1EU.
- By phone at 0207 520 3800
- By email to applications@cedr.com.

21. Financial Services Compensation Scheme

21.1 ClearBank is covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS), which is the UK's deposit guarantee scheme. If we are unable to meet our financial obligations, you may be entitled to compensation from the FSCS.

21.2 The FSCS only protects certain depositors and there are maximum limits on the amount of compensation that can be claimed. More information is available on our FSCS Information Sheet at ([ClearBank | FSCS protection](#)).

22. How we use the information we hold about you

22.1 By agreeing to these Terms and Conditions, you are providing your explicit consent to us processing your personal data for the purpose of providing the Account services to you. This does not affect any rights and obligations you or we have under data protection legislation.

22.2 For further information regarding our use of your personal data and your associated data protection rights, please refer to our Privacy Policy which can be found here <https://clear.bank/privacy-notice> and the Chip Privacy Policy which can be found by following this link: <https://getchip.uk/privacy>.

23. Other terms

- 23.1 We may transfer our rights and obligations under these Terms and Conditions to another company within the ClearBank group of companies at any time where we reasonably believe you will not be treated less favourably as a result of the transfer. We will give you two (2) months' prior written notice of this.
- 23.2 You cannot transfer any of your rights or obligations under these Terms and Conditions unless we have agreed this with you in writing.
- 23.3 We may delegate the performance of any of our obligations under these Terms and Conditions to another person. Even if we have delegated, we will still be responsible to you for our obligations under these Terms and Conditions.
- 23.4 If a court or relevant authority decides that we can't rely on a particular part of these Terms and Conditions, then this will not stop the rest of the Terms and Conditions from applying to you.
- 23.5 These Terms and Conditions are between you and us, and no other person shall have a right to enforce any of the provisions of these Terms and Conditions.

24. Governing Law and Jurisdiction

- 24.1 These Terms and Conditions and all matters arising out of the use of your Account are subject to English law and the courts of England and Wales have exclusive jurisdiction.