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(1) On page 320, footnote 3:
   for: ‘(3) OJ C 47, 17.2.2011, p. 1, …’;
   read: ‘(3) OJ C 47, 17.2.2012, p. 1, …’;

(2) on page 327, recital 46:
   for: ‘… and to lay down further rules regarding the use of resources after the end of the eligibility period.’;
   read: ‘… and to lay down further rules regarding the re-use of resources after the end of the eligibility period.’;

(3) on page 329, recital 69:
   for: ‘… it is necessary to lay down common rules for pre-financing, interim requests for payment and the final balance …’;
   read: ‘… it is necessary to lay down common rules for pre-financing, interim payment applications and the final balance …’;

(4) on page 329, recital 71, first sentence:
   for: ‘…where there is … evidence of irregularities linked to a request for payment, or …’;
   read: ‘… where there is … evidence of irregularities linked to a payment application, or …’;

(5) on page 330, recital 73:
   for: ‘…, as well as in a situation in which a request for payment has been made but for which the payment deadline has been interrupted or the payment suspended.’;
   read: ‘…, as well as in a situation in which a payment application has been made but for which the payment deadline has been interrupted or the payment suspended.’;

(6) on page 339, Article 2, point (22):
   for: ‘(22) “request for payment” means a payment application or declaration of expenditure submitted by the Member State to the Commission;’;
   read: ‘(22) “payment application” means a payment application or declaration of expenditure submitted by the Member State to the Commission;’;

(7) on page 339, Article 2, point (26):
   for: ‘(26) “escrow account” means … a written agreement between a public body beneficiary and the private partner approved by the managing authority or an intermediate body, set up specifically to hold funds to be paid out after the eligibility period, exclusively …’,
(26) “escrow account” means … a written agreement between a public body beneficiary and the private partner approved by the managing authority or an intermediate body, set up specifically to hold funds to be paid out after the eligibility period in the case of a financial instrument, or during the eligibility period and/or after the eligibility period in the case of a PPP operation, exclusively …;”

(8) on page 340, Article 3:
for: ‘Where, pursuant to Articles 16(2) and (3), 29(3), 30 (2) and (3) …’,
read: ‘Where, pursuant to Articles 16(2) and (4), 29(4), 30 (2) and (3) …’;

(9) on page 349, Article 23(1), third subparagraph:
for: ‘For the purposes of point (b) of the second subparagraph, each of those conditions shall be deemed to be satisfied where …’,
read: ‘For the purposes of point (c) of the second subparagraph, each of those conditions shall be deemed to be satisfied where …’;

(10) on page 350, Article 23(5):
for: ‘… not later than three months after their submission by the Member State in accordance with paragraph 3.’,
read: ‘… not later than three months after their submission by the Member State in accordance with paragraph 4.’;

(11) on page 350, Article 23(6), second subparagraph, second sentence:
for: ‘That implementing act shall only apply with respect to requests for payment submitted after the date of the adoption of that implementing act.’,
read: ‘That implementing act shall only apply with respect to payment applications submitted after the date of the adoption of that implementing act.’;

(12) on page 351, Article 23(9), third subparagraph, second sentence:
for: ‘The suspension of payments shall apply to requests for payment submitted for the programmes concerned after the date of the decision to suspend.’,
read: ‘The suspension of payments shall apply to payment applications submitted for the programmes concerned after the date of the decision to suspend.’;

(13) on page 352, Article 24(1), second sentence:
for: ‘If a Member State meets one of the following conditions after 21 December 2013, the increased rate, which may not exceed 100 %, shall apply to its requests for payments for the period until 30 June 2016:’,
read: ‘If a Member State meets one of the following conditions after 21 December 2013, the increased rate, which may not exceed 100 %, shall apply to its payment applications for the period until 30 June 2016:’;

(14) on page 352, Article 24(2):
for: ‘(2) … Union support through interim payments and payments of the final balance shall not be higher than the public support or the maximum amount of support from the ESI Funds for each priority for the ERDF, ESF and the Cohesion Fund, or for each measure for the EAFRD and the EMFF, as laid down in the decision of the Commission approving the programme.’,
(2) Union support through interim payments and payments of the final balance shall not be higher than:
(a) the public expenditure; or
(b) the maximum amount of support from the ESI Funds for each priority for the ERDF, ESF and the Cohesion Fund, or for each measure for the EAFRD and the EMFF, as laid down in the decision of the Commission approving the programme, whichever is the lower.

(15) on page 353, Article 25(1):
for: ‘... a part of the resources provided for under Article 59 and programmed in accordance with Fund-specific rules may, in agreement with the Commission, be transferred to technical assistance at the initiative of the Commission for implementation of measures in relation to the Member State concerned in accordance with point (k) of the third subparagraph of Article 58(1) ...’,
read: ‘... a part of the resources provided for under Article 59 and programmed in accordance with Fund-specific rules may, in agreement with the Commission, be transferred to technical assistance at the initiative of the Commission for implementation of measures in relation to the Member State concerned in accordance with point (l) of the third subparagraph of Article 58(1) ...’;

(16) on page 356, Article 33(6), second sentence:
for: ‘... on the basis of a proposal by a Member State the Commission may adopt or amend those population limits in its decision under Article 15(2) or (3) ...’,
read: ‘... on the basis of a proposal by a Member State, the Commission may adopt or amend those population limits in its decision under Article 16(2) or (4) ...’;

(17) on page 360, Article 38(5), first sentence:
for: ‘5. The bodies ... may further entrust part of the implementation to financial intermediaries provided that such entities ensure ...’,
read: ‘5. The bodies ... may further entrust part of the implementation to financial intermediaries provided that such bodies ensure ...’;

(18) on page 360, Article 38(7), introductory part:
for: ‘... the terms and conditions for contributions from programmes to financial instruments shall be set out in funding agreements in accordance with Annex III at the following levels;’
read: ‘... the terms and conditions for contributions from programmes to the financial instrument shall be set out in funding agreements in accordance with Annex IV at the following levels;’

(19) on page 363, Article 39(7), first and second sentences:
for: ‘... the Member State’s request for payment to the Commission shall be made ... Such requests for payment shall be based on ...’,
read: ‘... the Member State’s payment application to the Commission shall be made ... Such payment applications shall be based on ...’;

(20) on page 363, Article 39(8)(a):
for: ‘(a) ... to the resources referred to in point (b) of the first subparagraph of Article 42(3);’
read: ‘(a) ... to the resources referred to in point (b) of the first subparagraph of Article 42(1);’
(21) on page 364, Article 41, title:

for:  'Requests for payment including expenditure for financial instruments',

read:  'Payment applications including expenditure for financial instruments';

(22) on page 364, Article 41(1)(c)(i):

for:  '(i) … when at least 60 % of the amount included in the first application for interim payments has been spent as eligible expenditure …',

read:  '(i) … when at least 60 % of the amount included in the first application for interim payment has been spent as eligible expenditure …';

(23) on page 364, Article 41(1)(c)(ii):

for:  '(ii) … when at least 85 % of the amounts included in the previous applications for interim payments have been spent as eligible expenditure …',

read:  '(ii) … when at least 85 % of the amounts included in the previous applications for interim payment have been spent as eligible expenditure …';

(24) on page 364, Article 41(1)(d):

for:  '(d) each application for interim payment, …, shall separately disclose the total amount of programme contributions paid to the financial instrument and the amounts paid as eligible expenditure …',

read:  '(d) each application for interim payment, …, shall separately disclose the total amount of programme contributions paid to the financial instruments and the amounts paid as eligible expenditure …';

(25) on page 364, Article 41(3):

for:  '(3) … laying down the rules for withdrawal of payments to financial instruments and consequent adjustments in respect of applications for payments.',

read:  '(3) … laying down the rules for withdrawal of payments to financial instruments and consequent adjustments in respect of applications for payment.';

(26) on page 364, Article 41(4), first sentence:

for:  '(4) The Commission shall … adopt implementing acts laying down the models to be used when submitting additional information concerning financial instruments with the applications for payments to the Commission.',

read:  '(4) The Commission shall … adopt implementing acts laying down the models to be used when submitting additional information concerning financial instruments with the applications for payment to the Commission.';

(27) on page 365, Article 42(4), introductory part:

for:  '(4) The eligible expenditure disclosed in accordance with paragraphs 1 and 2 shall not exceed …',

read:  '(4) The eligible expenditure disclosed in accordance with paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 shall not exceed …';

(28) on page 365, Article 42(4)(a):

for:  '(a) total amount of the support from the ESI Funds paid for the purposes of paragraphs 1 and 2 …',

read:  '(a) total amount of the support from the ESI Funds paid for the purposes of paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 …';
(29) on page 365, Article 42(5), first subparagraph, first sentence:

for: ‘(5) Management cost and fees … may be charged by the body implementing the fund of funds or bodies implementing financial instruments pursuant to points (a) and (b) of Article 38(4) and shall not exceed the thresholds …’;

read: ‘(5) Where management cost and fees … are charged by the body implementing the fund of funds or bodies implementing financial instruments pursuant to points (a) and (b) of Article 38(4), they shall not exceed the thresholds …’;

(30) on page 365, Article 43(2):

for: ‘(2) … including the reimbursement of management costs incurred or payment of management fees of the financial instrument in accordance with point (d) of the first subparagraph of Article 42(1), and expenditure paid in accordance with Article 42(2), as the initial support from the ESI Funds either within the same financial instrument, or following the winding up of the financial instrument, in other financial instruments or forms of support …’;

read: ‘(2) … including the reimbursement of management costs incurred or payment of management fees of the financial instrument in accordance with point (d) of the first subparagraph of Article 42(1) and in accordance with Article 42(2) and (3), as the initial support from the ESI Funds, either within the same financial instrument or, following the winding up of the financial instrument, in other financial instruments or forms of support …’;

(31) on page 366, Article 44(2):

for: ‘(2) The managing authority shall ensure that adequate records of the use of the resources referred to in paragraph 1 are maintained.’;

read: ‘(2) The managing authority shall ensure that adequate records of the re-use of the resources referred to in paragraph 1 are maintained.’;

(32) on page 366, Article 45, title and article:

for: ‘Use of resources after the end of the eligibility period

Member States shall adopt the necessary measures to ensure that resources paid back to financial instruments … are used in accordance with the aims of the programme or programmes …’;

read: ‘Re-use of resources after the end of the eligibility period

Member States shall adopt the necessary measures to ensure that resources paid back to financial instruments … are re-used in accordance with the aims of the programme or programmes …’;

(33) on page 367, Article 49(2):

for: ‘2. … including the conclusions of the performance reviews.’;

read: ‘2. … including the conclusions of the performance review.’;

(34) on page 368, Article 50(5):

for: ‘5. The annual implementation report to be submitted in 2019 and the final implementation report for the ESI Funds shall, in addition to the information and assessment referred to in paragraphs 2 and 3, include information on …’;

read: ‘5. The annual implementation report to be submitted in 2019 and the final implementation report for the ESI Funds shall, in addition to the information and assessment referred to in paragraphs 2 and 4, include information on …’;
(35) on page 373, Article 61(4):

for: ‘4. The method by which the net revenue is deducted from the expenditure of the operation included in the request for payment submitted to the Commission shall be …’;

read: ‘4. The method by which the net revenue is deducted from the expenditure of the operation included in the payment application submitted to the Commission shall be …’;

(36) on page 374, Article 64(1), introductory part:

for: ‘1. In the case of a PPP operation where the beneficiary is a public law body, expenditure under a PPP operation which has been incurred and paid by the private partner may, by way of derogation from Article 65(2), be considered as incurred and paid by a beneficiary and included in a request for payment to the Commission …’;

read: ‘1. In the case of a PPP operation where the beneficiary is a public law body, expenditure under a PPP operation which has been incurred and paid by the private partner may, by way of derogation from Article 65(2), be considered as incurred and paid by a beneficiary and included in a payment application to the Commission …’;

(37) on page 374, Article 64(2):

for: ‘2. Payments to beneficiaries made in respect of expenditure included in a request for payment in accordance with paragraph 1 shall be paid …’;

read: ‘2. Payments to beneficiaries made in respect of expenditure included in a payment application in accordance with paragraph 1 shall be paid …’;

(38) on page 375, Article 65(11):

for: ‘11. … provided that the expenditure item included in a request for payment for reimbursement by one of the ESI Funds does not receive support from another Fund or Union instrument …’;

read: ‘11. … provided that the expenditure item included in a payment application for reimbursement by one of the ESI Funds does not receive support from another Fund or Union instrument …’;

(39) on page 379, Article 76, second paragraph:

for: ‘The decision of the Commission adopting a programme shall constitute a financing decision within the meaning of Article 84 of the Financial Regulation …’;

read: ‘The decision of the Commission adopting a programme shall constitute a financing decision within the meaning of Article 84(2) of the Financial Regulation …’;

(40) on page 379, Article 79, title:

for: ‘Requests for payment’;

read: ‘Payment applications’;

(41) on page 379, Article 79(1):

for: ‘1. The specific procedure and information to be submitted for requests for payment in relation to each ESI Fund …’;

read: ‘1. The specific procedure and information to be submitted for payment applications in relation to each ESI Fund …’;

(42) on page 380, Article 79(2):

for: ‘2. The request for payment to be submitted to the Commission …’;

read: ‘2. The payment application to be submitted to the Commission …’;
(43) on page 380, Article 80:

for: ‘…forecasts of expenditure, statements of expenditure, requests for payment, accounts and … shall be
denominated in euro.’,

read: ‘…forecasts of expenditure, payment applications, accounts and … shall be denominated in euro.’

(44) on page 380, Article 83(1)(b):

for: ‘(b) … expenditure in a request for payment is linked to an irregularity having serious financial
consequences;’,

read: ‘(b) … expenditure in a payment application is linked to an irregularity having serious financial
consequences;’

(45) on page 381, Article 86(1):

for: ‘1. … amounts linked to a commitment which are not covered by pre-financing or by a request for
payment within a defined period, including any request for payment …’,

read: ‘1. … amounts linked to a commitment which are not covered by pre-financing or by a payment
application within a defined period, including any payment application …’

(46) on page 381, Article 87(1)(b):

for: ‘(b) it has not been possible to make a request for payment …’,

read: ‘(b) it has not been possible to make a payment application …’

(47) on page 383, Article 92(3):

for: ‘3. In 2016, the Commission shall, in its technical adjustment for the year 2017 in accordance with
Articles 4 and 5 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1311/2013 … In accordance with Article 5 of Regulation
(EU, Euratom) No 1311/2013, adjustments shall be spread in equal proportions …’,

read: ‘3. In 2016, the Commission shall, in its technical adjustment for the year 2017 in accordance with
Articles 6 and 7 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1311/2013 … In accordance with Article 7 of Regulation
(EU, Euratom) No 1311/2013, adjustments shall be spread in equal proportions …’

(48) on page 387, Article 96(3)(b):

for: ‘(b) the indicative amount … to be implemented in accordance with Article 7(3) of the ERDF Regulation
…’,

read: ‘(b) the indicative amount … to be implemented in accordance with Article 7(4) of the ERDF Regulation
…’

(49) on page 390, Article 102(6), first sentence:

for: ‘6. Expenditure relating to a major project may be included in a request for payment after the notification
referred to in paragraph 1 …’,

read: ‘6. Expenditure relating to a major project may be included in a payment application after the
notification referred to in paragraph 1 …’

(50) on page 391, Article 106, first paragraph, point (9)(a):

for: ‘(a) the costs of achieving milestones, outputs and result targets with reference to point (2), …’,

read: ‘(a) the costs of achieving the milestones and the targets for outputs and results with reference to point (2), …’
1. The decision referred to in paragraph 2 shall indicate … the costs of achieving those milestones, outputs and result targets …;

read: ‘3. The decision referred to in paragraph 2 shall indicate … the costs of achieving those milestones and targets for outputs and results …’;

2. … Member States with no more than one operational programme per Fund may include the information relating to ex ante conditionalities referred to in Article 50(3), the information required by Article 50(4) …

read: ‘… Member States with no more than one operational programme per Fund may include the information relating to ex ante conditionalities referred to in Article 50(4), the information required by Article 50(5) …’;

They shall notify the Commission of irregularities that exceed EUR 10 000 in contribution from the Funds and …;

read: ‘They shall notify the Commission of irregularities that exceed EUR 10 000 in contribution from any of the Funds or the EMFF, and …’;

(c) cases which are detected and corrected by the managing authority or certifying authority before inclusion of the expenditure concerned in a statement of expenditure submitted to the Commission.‘;

read: ‘(c) cases which are detected and corrected by the managing authority or certifying authority before inclusion of the expenditure concerned in a payment application submitted to the Commission.’;

Member States may decide not to recover an amount unduly paid if the amount to be recovered from the beneficiary, not including interest, does not exceed EUR 250 in contribution from the Funds.’;

read: ‘Member States may decide not to recover an amount unduly paid if the amount to be recovered from the beneficiary, not including interest, does not exceed EUR 250 in contribution from any of the Funds or the EMFF.’;

(b) ensure that a selected operation falls within the scope of the Fund or Funds concerned and can be attributed to a category of intervention or, in the case of the EMFF, a measure identified in the priority or priorities of the operational programme;‘;

read: ‘(b) ensure that a selected operation falls within the scope of the EMFF, the Fund or Funds concerned and can be attributed to a category of intervention or, in the case of the EMFF, a measure identified in the priority or priorities of the operational programme;’;

Amounts recovered shall be repaid to the budget of the Union prior to the closure of the operational programme by deducting them from the subsequent statement of expenditure.’;

read: ‘Amounts recovered shall be repaid to the budget of the Union prior to the closure of the operational programme by deducting them from the subsequent payment application.’;
(58) on page 402, Title II:

for: 'FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, PREPARATION, EXAMINATION, ACCEPTANCE AND CLOSURE OF ACCOUNTS AND FINANCIAL CORRECTIONS',

read: 'FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, PREPARATION, EXAMINATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF ACCOUNTS AND FINANCIAL CORRECTIONS';

(59) on page 402, Article 129:

for: ‘… the amount of public expenditure paid to beneficiaries is at least equal to the contribution from the Funds paid by the Commission to the Member State.’,

read: ‘… the amount of public expenditure paid to beneficiaries is at least equal to the contribution from the Funds and the EMFF paid by the Commission to the Member State.’;

(60) on page 402, Article 130(2):

for: ‘2. …

(a) the eligible public expenditure indicated in the payment application for the priority; or

(b) the contribution from the Funds or the EMFF for the priority laid down in the decision of the Commission approving the operational programme.’,

read: ‘2. …

(a) the eligible public expenditure indicated in the payment applications for the priority; or

(b) the contribution from the Funds or the EMFF for the priority laid down in the decision of the Commission approving the operational programme,

whichever is the lower.’;

(61) on page 406, Article 139(7), third sentence:

for: ‘Such recovery shall not constitute a financial correction and shall not reduce support from the Funds to the operational programme.’,

read: ‘Such recovery shall not constitute a financial correction and shall not reduce support from the Funds and the EMFF to the operational programme.’;

(62) on page 406, Article 139(8):

for: ‘… the amount chargeable to the Funds for the accounting year … In the absence of such agreement, the Commission shall adopt a decision, by means of implementing acts, setting out the amount chargeable to the Funds for the accounting year. Such decision shall not constitute a financial correction and shall not reduce support from the Funds to the operational programme …’,

read: ‘… the amount chargeable to the Funds and the EMFF for the accounting year … In the absence of such agreement, the Commission shall adopt a decision, by means of implementing acts, setting out the amount chargeable to the Funds and the EMFF for the accounting year. Such decision shall not constitute a financial correction and shall not reduce support from the Funds and the EMFF to the operational programme …’;

(63) on page 406, Article 140(1), first subparagraph:

for: ‘… the managing authority shall ensure that all supporting documents regarding expenditure supported by the Funds on operations …’,

read: ‘… the managing authority shall ensure that all supporting documents regarding expenditure supported by the Funds and the EMFF on operations …’;
(64) on page 406, Article 140(1), fourth subparagraph:

for: 'The time period referred to in the first subparagraph shall be interrupted either in the case of legal proceedings or by a duly justified request of the Commission.,'

read: 'The time period referred to in the first or second subparagraph shall be interrupted either in the case of legal proceedings or by a duly justified request of the Commission.'

(65) on page 407, Article 142(1)(b):

for: '(b) expenditure in a statement of expenditure is linked to an irregularity having serious financial consequences which has not been corrected;','

read: '(b) expenditure in a payment application is linked to an irregularity having serious financial consequences which has not been corrected;'

(66) on page 407, Article 143(2), fourth sentence:

for: 'Financial corrections shall be recorded in the accounts by the managing authority for the accounting year in which the cancellation is decided.,'

read: 'Financial corrections shall be recorded in the accounts for the accounting year in which the cancellation is decided.'

(67) on page 408, Article 144(5):

for: '5. When a Member State does not comply with its obligations under Article 95, the Commission may, in relation to the degree of non-compliance with those obligations, make a financial correction by cancelling all or part of the Structural Funds contribution to the Member State concerned.,'

read: '5. When a Member State does not comply with its obligations under Article 95, the Commission may, in relation to the degree of non-compliance with those obligations, make a financial correction by cancelling all or part of the contribution from the Funds or the EMFF to the Member State concerned.'

(68) on page 408, Article 145(5):

for: '5. In the event of an agreement, and without prejudice to paragraph 6 of this Article, the Member State may reuse the Funds concerned in accordance with Article 143(3).','

read: '5. In the event of an agreement, and without prejudice to paragraph 7 of this Article, the Member State may reuse the Funds concerned or the EMFF in accordance with Article 143(3).'

(69) on page 409, Article 145(7), first subparagraph:

for: '7. ... the resulting financial correction shall reduce support from the Funds to the operational programme.,'

read: '7. ... the resulting financial correction shall reduce support from the Funds or the EMFF to the operational programme.'

(70) on page 409, Article 147(1), first sentence:

for: '1. Any repayment due to be made to the budget of the Union shall be effected before the due date indicated in the order for recovery drawn up in accordance with Article 73 of the Financial Regulation.,'

read: '1. Any repayment due to be made to the budget of the Union shall be effected before the due date indicated in the order for recovery drawn up in accordance with Article 78 of the Financial Regulation.'

(71) on page 423, Annex II, table, second column:

for: 'Indicator and measurement unit, where appropriate',

read: 'Indicator or, where appropriate, key implementation step and measurement unit'
(72) on page 426, Annex IV, section 1, point (i):

for: ‘(i) provisions regarding the re-utilisation of resources attributable to the support from the ESI Funds until the end of the eligibility period in compliance with Article 44;’,

read: ‘(i) provisions regarding the re-use of resources attributable to the support from the ESI Funds until the end of the eligibility period in compliance with Article 44;’.

(73) on page 426, Annex IV, section 1, point (j):

for: ‘(j) provisions regarding the use of resources attributable to the support of the ESI Funds after the end of the eligibility period in compliance with Article 45 and an exit policy for the contribution from the ESI Funds out of the financial instrument;’,

read: ‘(j) provisions regarding the re-use of resources attributable to the support of the ESI Funds after the end of the eligibility period in compliance with Article 45 and a policy regarding the exit of those resources from the financial instrument;’.

(74) on page 426, Annex IV, section 2, point (a):

for: ‘(a) the investment strategy or policy of the financial instrument, general terms and conditions of envisaged debt products, target recipients and actions to be supported;’,

read: ‘(a) the investment strategy or policy of the financial instrument, general terms and conditions of envisaged loan or guarantees, target final recipients and actions to be supported;’.

(75) on page 427, Annex IV, section 2, point (c):

for: ‘(c) the use and re-use of resources attributable to the support of the ESI Funds in accordance with Articles 43, 44 and 45;’,

read: ‘(c) the re-use of resources attributable to the support of the ESI Funds in accordance with Articles 44 and 45;’.

(76) on page 458, Annex XII, section 2.2, paragraph 3, second subparagraph:

for: ‘Any document, relating to the implementation of an operation … shall include a statement to the effect that the operational programme was supported by the Fund or Funds.’,

read: ‘Any document relating to the implementation of an operation … shall include a statement to the effect that the operation was supported by the Fund or Funds.’.

(77) on page 461, Annex XIII, section 3, point A (viii):

for: ‘(viii) Procedures to draw up the management declaration of assurance, report on the controls carried out and weaknesses identified, and the annual summary of final audits and controls.’,

read: ‘(viii) Procedures to draw up the management declaration referred to in point (a) of Article 59(5) of the Financial Regulation and the annual summary of the final audit reports and of controls carried out, including weaknesses identified, referred to in point (b) of Article 59(5) thereof.’.