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Relevant to all firms and individuals we regulate but is particularly relevant to you if you are a manager of a firm or a firm's COFA or COLP.

[Improper use of client account as a banking facility - Warning notice](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/solicitors/guidance/improper-client-account-banking-facility/) [https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/solicitors/guidance/improper-client-account-banking-facility/]

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How to prevent your firm's client bank account being improperly used as a banking facility.

[Improper use of client account as a banking facility - Case studies](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/solicitors/guidance/improper-use-client-account-banking-facility/) [https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/solicitors/guidance/improper-use-client-account-banking-facility/]

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Case studies to be read in conjunction with the warning notice on improper use of client account as a banking facility.

[Do I need to operate a client account? - Guidance](https://higher-) [https://higher-

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16 February 2023

Questions and answers for SRA-authorized firms that receive client money in the form of fees and disbursements and want to rely on the exemption not to operate a client account.

[Granting authority to withdraw residual client balances - Guidance](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/solicitors/guidance/general-granting-authority-withdraw-residual-client-balances/) [<https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/solicitors/guidance/general-granting-authority-withdraw-residual-client-balances/>]

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To help you understand how we make decisions to grant authorisation to a firm to withdraw residual client balances over £500.

[Taking money for your firm's costs - Guidance](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/solicitors/guidance/taking-money-for-your-firms-costs/) [<https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/solicitors/guidance/taking-money-for-your-firms-costs/>]

14 September 2020

For all SRA-authorized firms and individuals that receive money and assets from clients and third parties and use that money to pay fees and disbursements.

[Planning for and completing an accountant's report - Guidance](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/solicitors/guidance/planning-completing-accountants-report/) [<https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/solicitors/guidance/planning-completing-accountants-report/>]

14 September 2020

Advice to help reporting accountants and a firm's senior managers/ COFA prepare for and complete an accountant's report and statutory reporting obligations to us.

[Statement of our position regarding firms operating a client's own account - Guidance](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/solicitors/guidance/clients-own-account/) [<https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/solicitors/guidance/clients-own-account/>]

25 November 2019

Understand in what circumstances under Rule 10 of the SRA Accounts Rules you can operate a client's own personal bank account as signatory.

[Joint accounts and record keeping - Guidance](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/solicitors/guidance/joint-accounts-record-keeping/) [<https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/solicitors/guidance/joint-accounts-record-keeping/>]

25 November 2019

Understand the types of joint accounts that you can operate and the records which you will need to keep in order to comply with the SRA Accounts Rules.

[Helping you keep accurate client accounting records - Guidance](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/solicitors/guidance/accurate-client-accounting-records/) [<https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/solicitors/guidance/accurate-client-accounting-records/>]

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Understand your obligations under the SRA Accounts Rules to keep accurate accounting records relating to the receipt and handling of client money.

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