

## Guidelines for the Nibor compliance committee

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The general rules for the Nibor compliance committee (hereinafter referred to as the compliance committee / the committee) are set out in the “Rules for the calculation and publication of Norwegian money market rates – Nibor” (hereinafter referred to as the Nibor rules) as apply from time to time.

### The Nibor compliance committee’s mandate

According to the Nibor rules section 7.3, the Nibor compliance committee shall

- monitor compliance with the rules, including evaluating the panel banks’ submissions to Nibor, and
- receive and consider requests regarding the correctness of Nibor and the underlying data, evaluate breaches of the rules and make recommendations concerning the withdrawal of approval as a Nibor panel bank.

As part of its supervisory function, the committee may, on its own initiative, initiate such investigations as the committee finds necessary.

### Composition of the compliance committee

The Nibor compliance committee shall consist of at least six members. These members are appointed by NoRe’s board upon recommendation from the NoRe secretariat. Before recommendations are presented to the board, the compliance committee shall be consulted.

According to the Nibor rules, the members of the committee shall be representatives both from Nibor panel banks and from independent entities/institutions that are regarded as having an interest in, and a good knowledge of, the interbank market. Preferably, the committee should consist of representatives from issuers of securities, investors, academia and panel banks. The panel banks’ representatives must not be in the majority on the committee.

A person may not be a member of both the Nibor steering group and the Nibor compliance committee.

The members of the compliance committee are appointed for a period of two years, with the possibility of re-appointment.

The compliance committee has a chairman and a deputy chairman appointed by the committee itself. The chairman and the deputy chairman shall be elected from the committee members representing independent entities/institutions. The committee constitutes itself. The compliance committee’s meetings shall be chaired by the chairman. If neither chairman nor deputy chairman attend a meeting, it shall be chaired by a member elected from among those present representing independent entities/institutions. Decisions are made by voting.

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<sup>1</sup> Finance Norway’s responsibility as Nibor administrator was transferred to NoRe with effect from 1 January 2017.

The committee is a quorum when more than half of the committee members are present or participate in the consideration of a matter. A decision requires a majority of the votes. In the event of a tie, the chairman has the casting vote. The committee's recommendation shall record any objections raised against the majority's conclusions. In case of dissent, the minutes shall indicate which members voted for and against each decision.

Members representing Nibor panel banks shall never constitute the majority when voting in the committee.

If members representing the panel banks constitute a majority, each representative's vote is reduced proportionally, so that the panel banks' votes in total are not more than the number of members representing independent entities/institutions.

A member of the compliance committee may not participate in the consideration of, or decision on, matters affecting his or her own institution, nor if there for other reasons may be doubts about the impartiality of the member.

The committee may invite observers as required. The currently appointed operator of the Nibor monitoring body is invited to attend committee meetings as an observer.

#### Working methods

The compliance committee meets as needed, at least once a year. A meeting of the compliance committee will be called whenever one of the committee members so requests.

NoRe, as secretariat, calls the compliance committee meetings and takes minutes at the meetings. Minutes and other documents are not published, but are made available to relevant supervisory authorities on request.

Individual matters may be dealt with in writing, provided that all the members consent.

The compliance committee receives reports from the Nibor monitoring body on non-conformances and suspected non-conformances. If the compliance committee wishes a matter to be investigated further, or the committee wishes to inform about the matter for some other reason, the committee may decide to submit the matter to the relevant supervisory authority.