

Credit Guide



ABOUT US ("we, us, our"):

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Crown Lending Pty Ltd ("Licensee")

Australian Credit Licence Number: 388279
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Tel: 1300 882 981
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This document provides you with information relating to our activities and those of our credit representatives. It contains information about various fees and charges that may be payable by you to us, as well as about certain commissions we may receive from a licensee when we are acting as a credit representative, or we pay to certain third parties. It also contains information about what you should do if you have a complaint or dispute in connection with our services as a credit representative.

WHAT IS A CREDIT REPRESENTATIVE?

A 'credit representative' is a person who has been authorised by a credit licensee to engage in specified credit activities on behalf of the licensee. The licensee is Crown Lending Pty Ltd.

WHAT IS CREDIT ASSISTANCE?

We give you credit assistance when:

- we assist you to apply for a particular loan;
- we suggest you apply for a particular loan (or suggest you apply for an increase to an existing loan); or
- we suggest you remain in your current loan.

THE ASSESSMENT WE NEED TO DO BEFORE GIVING YOU CREDIT ASSISTANCE

Before we provide credit assistance to you, we assess whether the particular loan is suitable for you. To do this, we need to make reasonable inquiries and verify that:

- the loan or increase will meet your requirements and objectives; and
- you can meet the proposed repayments.

We won't be able to give you credit assistance if our assessment shows that:

- you won't be able to meet the proposed repayments without substantial hardship; or
- the loan won't meet your requirements or objectives.

GETTING A COPY OF OUR ASSESSMENT

If we provide you with credit assistance, you can ask us for a copy of our assessment any time up to 7 years after we provide you with a credit assistance quote. To request a copy please contact us. We will provide you with a copy:

- within 7 business days after the day we receive your request – provided you make the request within 2 years of the date of our credit assistance quote; or
- otherwise, within 21 business days after the day we receive your request.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE LICENSEE AND ITS CREDIT REPRESENTATIVES

We act as a credit representative for the licensee. We are authorised to engage in credit activities including providing credit assistance on its behalf.

Subject to meeting credit criteria, we are able to assist you to obtain loans for you from a broad range of lenders

The following are the lenders or lessors with whom we generally conduct the most business:

- Advantagedge Financial Services
- ANZ
- CBA – Colonial
- BankWest
- Westpac

FEES AND CHARGES

FEES PAYABLE FOR THE PROVISION OF CREDIT ASSISTANCE

We will not charge you any fees for providing credit assistance to you.

FEES PAYABLE IN RELATION TO ACTING AS A CREDIT REPRESENTATIVE

We receive remuneration from our employee, licensee and broker group and do not charge you any fees or charges in relation to acting as a credit representative.

OTHER FEES AND CHARGES

You may have to pay other fees and charges (such as an application fees, valuation fees and other fees) to the lender, lessor or other parties. You should review the disclosure documents and your loan contract or lease for further details of any such fees and charges.

COMMISSIONS

COMMISSIONS WE RECEIVE FROM OUR LICENSEE

Our licensee has appointed us as its agent to receive commissions from lenders and to pay us commission in relation to loan contracts for which we act as a credit representative and provide credit assistance. The total amount of commission we may receive in relation to your loan may vary depending on the lender, the term, the features, the amount of the loan you ultimately choose and the amount and timing of the repayments that you make.

Loan Contracts such as Home Loans, Investment Property Loans and Personal Loans

Upfront commission payable by lenders in relation to loans is calculated as a percentage of the loan amount and is generally in the range of 0.3% and 1.4% of the loan amount. It is usually paid after settlement of the loan.

Trail commission payable by lenders in relation to loans is generally calculated regularly (monthly, quarterly, bi-monthly or annually) on the outstanding loan balance and is paid in arrears. The trail commission payable by lenders is generally in the range of 0% and 0.8% of the outstanding loan amount.

Further details of the commission earned by us will be included in the credit proposal disclosure document we will provide to you at the same time as we provide you with credit assistance.

You can request information from us about the fees that we are likely to receive, how those fees are calculated, and our reasonable estimate of the fees or commissions that will be payable.

COMMISSIONS PAYABLE BY US

If a third party has introduced you to us or referred you to us, we may pay them a commission or a fee.

We obtain referrals from a range of sources, including real estate agents, accountants, financial planners or other people.

Further information about referral commissions, including our reasonable estimate of the amount of any commission payable and how it is calculated is available from us on request and will be included in the credit proposal disclosure we will supply to you when we provide you with our credit assistance.

DISPUTES OR COMPLAINTS

WHAT TO DO IF YOU HAVE A DISPUTE OR COMPLAINT

We are committed to providing our customers with the best possible service. If at any time we have not met our obligations – or you have a complaint about any of our services – please inform us so we can work towards a resolution. We will endeavour to deal with your complaint promptly, thoroughly and fairly.

HOW TO MAKE A COMPLAINT AND THE COMPLAINTS PROCESS

If we have a complaint, we request you follow these steps:

- In the first instance, please contact your credit assistance provider.
- If your complaint has not been resolved to your satisfaction within 5 business days, please contact our Complaints Area as detailed below:
 - Telephone: 1300 882 981
 - Email: admin@crowdfinance.com.au
 - Fax: 1300 882 958
 - Mail: c/o Complaints, Level 9, 390 St Kilda Road, Melbourne VIC 3004
- We may ask for additional information and request you to put your complaint in writing to ensure your issue is properly investigated.
- In cases where your complaint will take longer to resolve, we will update you progressively.

THIRD PARTY PRODUCTS OR SERVICES

If your complaint relates to a product or service acquired through a third party (for example, a lender) we may ask you to contact the relevant third party. They will deal with your complaint under their complaints resolution process.

If you are not satisfied with the resolution of your complaint by the third party under their complaints resolution process, you are entitled to have your dispute considered by their External Dispute Resolution Scheme. Please contact the third party for further details.

KEEPING YOU INFORMED

Within 45 calendar days from the date you lodged the complaint with us, we will write to you advising you the outcome of the investigation and the reason/s for our decision, or if required, we will inform you more time is needed to complete the investigation.

STILL NOT SATISFIED?

If you do not think we have resolved your complaint to your satisfaction, you may take the matter – free of charge – to the relevant External Disputes Resolution Scheme (provided it is within the scheme’s terms of reference) as detailed below. You may also refer the matter to the relevant External Disputes Resolution Scheme at any time, but if our internal process is still in progress, they may request that our internal processes be complete before considering the matter further.

Our external dispute resolution service provider is the Credit Ombudsman Service Limited, which can be contacted via:

- Telephone: 1800 138 422
- Online complaint form: <http://www.cosl.com.au/Make-a-complaint-intro>
- Website: <http://www.cosl.com.au>
- Mail: PO Box A252, Sydney South NSW 1235
- Fax: 02 9273 8440

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