

Customers

Products

Geography

What must be ring-fenced?

Retail customers with liquid assets of less than £250,000 as well as small charities and businesses with less than £6.5 million a year turnover or fewer than 50 employees or a balance sheet less than £3.26 million.

Deposits

Accepting deposits within the EEA.

What must be outside the ring-fence?

RFI customers which have products giving rise to prohibited exposures under the reing-fencing legislation.

Trading in investments or commodities, debt capital markets, complex derivatives, structured products and dealing in certain asset-backed securities.

A ring-fenced bank may not have banking branches or subsidiaries outside of the EEA.

What can be within or outside of the ring-fence?

Larger companies including large multi-national corporate and other categories of financial institutions, and high net worth individuals with liquid assets worth more than £250,000.

Mortgages, credit cards, invoice financing and bank lending; non-core deposits and overdrafts, trade finance, TFX and simple derivatives.

Banking activity in a subsidiary in the EEA can be placed inside or outside the ring-fence.