# Neo Complaint Resolution Policy

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#### **Your Concerns are Important**

Neo Financial Technologies Inc. ("**Neo**", "**we**" or "**us**") strives to provide products and services that meet and exceed your expectations. We want to know when we've done something great, but also when we fall short. In those situations, please contact us so that we have the opportunity to resolve any concerns.

#### **Timely Handling**

It is much easier to deal with issues immediately following the event. No matter how you communicate your concern, you can anticipate a response within five business days. Where the issue is complex, resolution may take longer.

# **Step 1: Communicating Your Concern**

Contacting us is easy. We can best respond if you first reach out to a Customer Experience Specialist at:

support@neofinancial.com

or

1-855-636-2265

Generally, these individuals will be in the best position to address your concern. If you feel you have not obtained a satisfactory answer, please ask to speak with the individual's Manager.

### **Step 2: Escalating Your Concern**

If a complaint has not been closed or resolved within 14 calendar days from the date on which the complaint is first communicated to a Neo Customer Service Specialist, it will be automatically escalated to the Neo Chief Complaints Officer (or delegate).

If you feel that your concern has not been properly addressed at Step 1, you are encouraged to communicate directly with our Chief Complaints Officer in writing or electronically at:

Neo Chief Complaints Officer Attn: Customer Complaints #400 - 200 8 Avenue SW Calgary, AB T2P 1B5

E-mail: <a href="mailto:complaints@neofinancial.com">complaints@neofinancial.com</a>

The Chief Complaints Officer may also engage the relevant financial partner to assist with resolution of your concern:

- For the Neo Credit Card, ATB Financial;
- For the Neo High Interest Savings Account or the Neo Everyday Account, Peoples Bank of Canada;
- For the Neo Money Account or the Neo Money Card, Equitable Bank.

If your concern relates to <u>a card product issued by Neo Financial directly</u>, and you are not satisfied with the response received through the process outlined above, you may escalate your concern to the Neo Complaints Committee.

The Neo Complaints Committee is an independent body within Neo composed of executives across key business functions. The Neo Complaints Committee aims to address customer feedback and complaints in order to evolve and enhance the quality of its products, and provide optimal customer service.

Matters can be referred to the Neo Complaints Committee in writing or electronically at:

Attn: Neo Complaints Committee #400 - 200 8 Avenue SW Calgary, AB T2P 1B5

Email: complaintscommittee@neofinancial.com

Step 3: Write to Peoples Bank of Canada (for concerns related to your Neo High Interest Savings Account or your Neo Everyday Account), Equitable Bank (for concerns related to your Neo Money Card or Neo Money Account), or ATB Financial (for concerns related to your Neo Credit Card)

If the Neo Chief Complaints Officer (or delegate) is unable to resolve the issue to your satisfaction, you may refer your complaint, in writing, to the applicable provider of your Neo product below.

#### Neo Credit Card

For complaints regarding your Neo Credit Card, you may refer your complaint, in writing, to ATB Financial at:

Email: <a href="mailto:serviceexcellence@atb.com">serviceexcellence@atb.com</a>

# Neo High Interest Savings Account or Neo Everyday Account

For complaints regarding your Neo High Interest Savings Account or your Neo Everyday Account, you may refer your complaint, in writing, to the Peoples Bank of Canada Complaints Officer at:

Mail:

Complaints Officer
Peoples Bank, Suite 1400-888 Dunsmuir St.
Vancouver, BC
V6C 3K4

Email<sup>1</sup>: complaints-officer@peoplesgroup.com

### **Neo Money Account and Neo Money Card**

For complaints regarding your Neo Money Account or Neo Money Card, you may refer your complaint, in writing, to Equitable's Dispute Resolution Office (DRO) at:

Mail:

Dispute Resolution Office, Equitable Bank Equitable Bank Tower 30 St. Clair Avenue West, Suite 700 Toronto, Ontario M4V 3A1

Email<sup>1</sup>: dro-brd@eqbank.ca

Working closely with both customers and Neo Financial's relevant business units, the DRO independently conducts a full investigation of customer complaints, subject to certain limitations, and is committed to providing an impartial review to help customers and Neo reach a fair, reasonable and transparent resolution. The DRO is headed by Equitable's Chief Compliance Officer.

# **External Complaint Bodies**

If you are not satisfied with the final response from Neo Financial or the relevant financial partner associated with your Neo Financial product, you may also escalate your concern to an external complaints body:

#### **Neo Credit Card**

If your concern relates to your Neo Credit Card, and you are not satisfied with the final recommendation made by ATB Financial, you may escalate your concern to the **Alberta Ombudsman** (the external resolution body for ATB Financial, the issuer of the Neo Credit Card): You must direct your complaint to ATB Financial in accordance with Step 2 above prior to escalating to the Alberta Ombudsman office. The Alberta Ombudsman is mandated to determine administrative fairness and investigate written complaints from individuals who feel they have been treated unfairly by an administrative decision, act, omission or recommendation

of an Alberta Government department, board, agency or commission, and some other professional organizations.

Matters can be referred to the Alberta Ombudsman in writing at:

Alberta Ombudsman 9925 - 109 St. NW, Suite 700 Edmonton, AB T5K 2J8

Fax: 780-427-2759

Toll free: 1-888-455-2756

Email: info@ombudsman.ab.ca

Online complaint form available at <a href="www.ombudsman.ab.ca">www.ombudsman.ab.ca</a>

# Neo High Interest Savings Account, Neo Everyday Account, Neo Money Account and Neo Money Card

If your concern relates to your Neo Money Account, your Neo Money Card, your Neo High Interest Savings Account, or your Neo Everyday Account and you are not satisfied with the final recommendation made by Peoples Bank of Canada or Equitable Bank, or if we are unable to resolve your concern within 56 days from the day you made your complaint to us and have yet to receive a final response, you have the option of escalating your concern to the **Ombudsman for Banking Services and Investments (OBSI)** for further review.

OBSI is an independent and impartial service which resolves disputes between its participating banking and investment firms and their customers if they can't solve them on their own. Its services are free to consumers.

For more information on matters governed by the OBSI, please contact them by telephone at 1-888-451-4519 or view the website at www.obsi.ca.

Matters can be referred to OBSI in writing at:

Ombudsman for Banking Services and Investments (OBSI) 20 Queen Street West, Suite 2400

P.O. Box 8 Toronto, ON M5H 3R3 Fax: 1-888-422-2865

Email: ombudsman@obsi.ca

Additionally, the **Financial Consumer Agency of Canada (FCAC)** supervises federally regulated financial institutions, such as Equitable Bank and Peoples Bank of Canada, to ensure they comply with federal consumer protection laws, voluntary codes of conduct, and public commitments. For example, financial institutions must provide you with information about their fees and charges as they relate to: a deposit account, the disclosure of or manner of calculating the cost of borrowing involving a loan, or a payment, credit or charge card.

If you have a complaint concerning any of the above, you can contact the FCAC by phone toll free at 1-866-461-3222, or via their website at <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/financial-consumer-agency">www.canada.ca/en/financial-consumer-agency</a> or in writing at:

Financial Consumer Agency of Canada 6th Floor, Enterprise Building 427 Laurier Avenue West Ottawa, ON K1R 1B9

FCAC only investigates complaints that relate to a possible breach of market conduct obligations and does not provide personal redress or compensation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Please do not include any confidential information as email correspondence is not guaranteed to be secure.