# Document Information

Process Name Escalation process

Process Ref INV-ESC01

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Process Owner Role: Network Resolution Operations Manager

Document Status: Approved

Version History

Document Classification: Internal

# Process Summary (describe in a paragraph the context and reason for process):

If a discrepancy has been investigated, this process shows how it can be escalated if the PM does not agree with the decision or if the loss cannot be established

Version Number	Date Issued	Author	Updates since last version
0.1	10/08/21	Fleur Langley-Knight	Initial version
0.2	12/08/21	Fleur Langley-Knight	Added in business feedback
0.3	15/09/21	Fleur Langley-Knight	Controls added
1.0	04/10/21	Fleur Langley-Knight	Summary & version updated
1.1	19/04/2022	Duncan Hughes	Review of process and controls
2.0	20/07/2022	Duncan Hughes	Reviewed and approved by process owner

# Review History

Reviewer	Role	Last Date Reviewed	Version(s) Reviewed
Tim Humphries	T2	12/08/21	0.1
Tracy Bannister	Network Resolution		
	<b>Operations Manager</b>	20/07/2022	1.2

# Process Notes (Detail any notes to supplement specific process stages)

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- The Weekly Case Review will asses the case and based on the success rate value will make the decision to escalate the case to Tier 3 or clear the account.
- If the account is being cleared, the analyst will make sure Authorisation is completed prior to Dynamics case assigned to PAST (this is embedded in Activity pane and copied into the resolution section before assigning) & notes updated.
  - T3 conduct a deep dive of the case and review the systems and contact the PM for more information where required.

The dispute resolution committee will either make a decision on how to proceed with the case or will recommend one of the following actions:

- It may not be possible to make a decision in the meeting and more thought may be required to the best course of action. Where this happens the decision will be parked.
- Gather more information from loss recovery. Contact the Network Monitoring Team to see what reports are available.
- Refer to legal for review and recommendation
- Refer to Audit for investigation
- Ask for more information from contracts to understand the options available
- Write out to Area Manager as PM needs more support (if it is identified the loss was caused due to a lack of training or support from Post Office, therefore outside of the PM's control, the account will be cleared).

Advisors work in two week sprints. If they are unable to resolve a case within the 10 day sprint, they will discuss the case with the Team Manager t agree next steps (whci could include escalation to the WRC).

clude abb	riviations / terms / acronyms used in process flow, along with a description to aid understanding)
rms	Definition
RT	Case Investigation Review Team – This is the former name of the Tier 3 investigation team.
4	Postmaster - Person under contract to Post Office to operate a branch. This could be an individual or a Strategic Partner and the use of this term could also cover the postmaster's
	branch team members.

# {Insert Reference of Process}: { Insert Name of Process and (Version Number in brackets)} {Insert Description of Process in italics}



Each role participating in the process must have a separate swimlane. There is a *predefined list* of business functions and roles to use which includes 3<sup>rd</sup> parties. If you need to add an item then please see "Process Change" CUSTOMER swimlane is always at the top of the process A SYSTEM swimlane can be used for a specific system that participates in

Process Start:

CHANGE PROCESS so that a new number can be assigned. See "Process Change" the process and the system itself carries out activities (eg "CONDUCT AUTOMATED DOCUMENT CHECK")

The reference number of the

If you do not know the reference numbe of the process then either check in

BizDesign if you have access or ask the owner of the process model (tbc).

approach (add link here to Sharepoint)

For new processes you will need to use the

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Start: Description of the trigger



Message trigger: Use this symbol when a message or notification of any sort is the trigger to the

nrocoss For example – a contact centre agent receives an email from a customer to make a request or a complaint, Or a mailroom receives a letter from a customer requesting a service

calls the contact centre" or "A system generates a report and sends a notification to a contact centre agent"

Examples: such as "Customer enters branch to request a service" or "Customer

This is the shape used to START the process. Describe the trigger / event that has caused process to start

#### Scheduled event:

Time lag or delay:

Trigger mid process

An intermediate event:

Use this symbol where a process is started by some sort of scheduled event. This might be either a system based automated schedule or a manually diarised schedule. (for example an overnight batch process runs and generates an alert for an agent). Describe the schedule (how often the process runs and when – e.g. overnight at 4am Mon to Fri Or Manually diarised events that mean an agent has to do something – for example scheduled sample checks for a control process (schedule is every morning at 9am working days)

Use this to show where there is some sort of delay between activities

example of a cancellation of some sort from the customer

Another start in the middle of a process where a notification is received - for

Similar to a start event - this is where something happens during the process – an external event / trigger of some sort – which has an impact on the process.

It could be anything from a customer getting in touch about the process to some sort of system notification or response to an activity within the process



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Schedule Details

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Name and type of communication or trigger



#### Notes against a process or any other element on a map



#### An activity in a process. Describe it as a Verb following by a noun for clarity – e.g. "Create Contact"; "Complete Application" Activities refer to a related group of tasks carried out by the same person/role/

An activity with an associated procedure.

add the name and reference of the procedure

department. For example – activity carried out using several screens on the same system to complete a part of an application. If the activity is too complex then it is worth breaking it down into smaller parts - or mapping as a separate nrocess

This set of steps may have more detail and step by step instructions provided

as a procedure. Use this to show that there is more detail available - and also

Activity (which has a procedure associated with it) (PROCEDURE REE) +

Process Ref:

Process Name

#### **Referred Process**

This shape is used to refer out to another process that is mapped. For simplicity, just use this where the other process is either a sub process at a lower level (so for example – if you are mapping at a level 2 and want to show all of the associated level 3 processes then use this symbol for the level 3 processes or if you are in a level 3 process and want to point to or refer to another level 3 process then use this symbo

# **Process Template Symbols**



Activity Flow: This line and arrow is used to show the flow of activity and the order in which the activities occur.

Information or Data Flow: Dotted line with arrow end shows the direction of flow on INFORMATION either into or from an activity and into or from a system. An activity may proceed or follow another activity but it might also make an

update to or get some information from a system. To show this information flow sue this line. It needs to be different from the activity sequence flow (the solid line) so that there is no confusion as to what activity happens next.

Dotted line with arrow end shows link between an activity and an outcome. The reason it is different is to separate it from the flow of the process and so that it is not confused as a data flow, but the reader can see the activity where the outcome has originated.

#### Parallel processes gateway:

Use this when your process branches off into parallel flows of activity. Using this gateway with the plus sign helps to ensure the reader understands that the branches are happening in parallel and that there is not a condition or decision associated with the branch. If there is a decision before the gateway to determine which branch to go down then do not use this and choose another gateway shown below.

#### Exclusive Gateway.

Use this to show that the flow will only go down ONE of the possible paths. If there is some activity to support making a decision to determine which branch to go down - then put that in an activity

Then show the decisions on the branches of the flows following the gateway. Eg: "YES" or "NO" for simple decisions – or "Option A", "option B"..."Option n" for more complicated decisions - as long as they are "mutually exclusinve outcomes so

that you can only go down one of the branches. Where no "X" is shown then an exclusive gateway is assumed but it is clearer to use this.

#### Inclusive Gateway. Use this to show that the flow can do down one of more paths depending on the outcome of the decision in the previous

For example: "Determine what fruit to buy" is decision. Possible outcomes might be apples, oranges, or bananas. Person might want all fruit. Depending on how you want to model this then you might show different branches for each fruit – if there is a different process activity associated with buying each one.

#### A document or data set:

Information that this used as input to an activity or created or updated as an output of an activity. For example a report might be generated by a system and sent by email to a contact centre agent to review. So you can show the name of the

document reviewed by using this shape and a dotted arrow into the activity where the contact agent reviews the item.

## System being "read from" or being updated as a

result of the associated activity Don't put the description of the activity in here – just the name of the system. The associated activity and then the direction of the arrow will describe who or what is updating the system and whether the system "Updated To" where the system is being updated by it in an activity) or being "Updated To" where the system is being updated as a result of an activity

#### Business Rule:

This icon is used to show that there is a business rule associated with this activity or trigger or event or gateway. The reference for the business rule must be added so that the reader knows what business rule is being referred to. The details of the rule itself will be held within the meta data document associated with this process.

#### Operational Risk - Inadequate, none or unknown control

This symbol is used where the risk is either not mitigated and therefore there is a known control gap - or it is mitigated and the mitigation is known to be inadequate – or where analysis is required to determine if there is any control as it is currently unknown.

When documenting processes - it is important to identify parts of the process which may be exposed to some sort of risk - such as an agent manually entering something incorrectly into a system - and the system does not have adequate system based restrictions to control the activity (for example based on role based access controls) or where their may be an opportunity for internal fraud. Where these risks are identified, mark them with this symbol and add the REFERENCE number for the risk, and log the risk in the risk control log associated

#### Operational Risk (control is known and is adequate)



End of a process is the end of the main path of Alternate Path" process

Where a process has branches off into alternate paths then if it does not rejoin the main path then show the end of that branch with the "End

End of alternate path of a process End of Process

Name of system

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Ref for risk/control



This is the score for the customer experience at certain points in the flow. For new products, the Service Designer can provide these as they should have been identified as part of the service design / customer journey analysis before the process is designed. Where it is not available then it should just be estimated as part of trying to show both the good and bad alternative paths through the process. Green for 7-10. Amber for 4-6 Red for 0-3 Put them in a separate swim-lane at the top of the map

**Customer Outcomes** 

### **Customer Insights:**



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Name or reference for

communication received

The Service Designer can provide these for new products. He insights will include any comments from the CUSTOMERs point of view - to rationalise the customer experience or to identify insights or even issues / potential improvements Improvement ideas should also be captured more formally in the process meta data. The insights relate to anything that the customer is feeling or

thinking at that point in the process.

#### Customer Communication: Communication of any kind is sent to the customer. Use the Channel icons below to show the method used to

send the communication. Add the name or the reference of the communication as well as this can be helpful fro requirements tracebility and testing



Show channel icons on the activity box where the channel is used or the activity flow that joins it to the next activity. They can also be used to link to customer outcomes or communications to show the method by which the communication was sent.



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