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# **CRBOT - summary**

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  - 1 Which trusts?
  - 2 What excluded?
  - 3 What still uncertain?
- 2 Practical considerations
  - 1 Preparations
  - 2 'How to'
- 3 Effect of Registration





# What is to be registered?

# **CRBOT - What is to be registered?**

Express trust established by deed or other declaration in writing

- · Irish resident
- Otherwise administered in the State
- As specifically prescribed (none as yet)
- Examples
  - Nomineeships
  - Bare trusts
  - Discretionary trusts
  - Life interest trusts
  - Period certain trusts
  - Section 189/189A trusts
  - Charitable trusts
  - Pilot trusts there is no de minimis
  - · Trusts owning companies registered on the RBO





### **CRBOT – what is excluded?**

- Specific exclusions
  - · Approved occupational pension schemes
  - Approved retirement funds
  - Approved profit sharing schemes or employee share ownership schemes
  - Trusts for restricted shares
  - Haemophilia HIV trust
  - Unit trusts
  - More to be added?
- Less specific not 'in scope'
  - Non express trusts
    - Statutory trusts
      - Intestacies benefiting minors
      - Testate estates?
      - Solicitors client accounts?
  - Trusts where trustees are not Irish resident/not administered in the State
  - Trusts registered already in other EU country





### **CRBOT** - uncertainties

- Definition of Irish resident trust
  - Tax residence?
    - Income tax definition <u>any</u> trustee?
    - CGT definition majority of trustees?
    - Legislation envisages many EU states might qualify so then consider which is the best one to register in first
- Definition of "otherwise administered in State"
  - All/majority/some trustees administering duties?
  - Holding assets here (majority of trust assets?)
  - Cross over with designated persons and business relationships/occasional transactions?
  - Carpet bagging of non EU trusts into Ireland?
- Default trusts
  - Post contract default trust
  - Post discretionary trust default clauses
  - · How identify such beneficiaries if they may never benefit?



### CRBOT - uncertainties cont'd

- Future interests if not contingent, yes?
- Contingent trusts ignore contingency like with CAT?
- Vulnerable adults not excluded but will they be (should be similar to minors)?
- Joint bank accounts (convenience) effect of non registration, falls out of estate and CAT issues?
- Estates
  - If a trust is created under the Will, timing of registration under legislation = post administration
  - Wills without trusts being administered still statutory trusts?
  - Legislation allows executor be the BO for designated persons
     =/= the estate being an express trust
  - Dormant estate for one beneficiary is this a trust?
  - FAQs to be redrafted





# **Practical issues**

#### **CRBOT – Practicalities**

- Register existing pre 23/10/21
- Any trusts since 23/4/21 = register before +6 months.
- Preparation
  - Inform clients feedback to date = concern around trust assets being disclosed
  - TAIN link form
    - One trustee sign or all?
    - PDF for upload
- List out all details in one spreadsheet settlors, trustees, beneficiaries, protector, other controlling persons (e.g. veto) – all called BO
- Use this as updated internal register
- Date of internal register = not earlier than 29/1/2019
- Register each person in each category
- Drop down for 'residence' and 'nationality' frustrating!
- Multiple breakdowns error messages brings you back to ROS edit screen but it is better to start all over again in fact.





### **CRBOT – Practicalities**

- Example 1
  - bare trusts for 3 children
  - parents are settlors and trustees
  - need to input each parents' details 6 times!
  - Same home address entered 15 times!
  - request in to ask for one person to have multiple status
- Example 2
  - Discretionary trusts
  - Deceased settlor
  - Acting trustees
  - · Class of beneficiaries
  - Relatively simple registration!



### **CRBOT - practicalities cont'd**

- TAIN
  - Upload pdf of signed link on prompting
  - Only if ROS (and Ran) enabled
  - · Remember solicitors are advisors, not agents
  - Not on ROS services record stand alone register
- Print out not available keep record number and trust number
- Screen shots impractical as needed for each BO
- Once go back in, need to resubmit (new record number)
- Requests in for this to be reviewed
  - · to allow print outs of what is filed
  - to allow print outs of what may be amended later
  - to allow access to view without need to resubmit
  - to allow save of part completed details without submitting those parts
  - to allow back buttons to work!







# **CRBOT – practicalities cont'd**

- When registration complete, jumps back to main ROS page so need to re-access trust register page
- Trust register on front page is only in order of date of registration – search issues in future for multiple trusts?
- How the access code will work for designated persons TBC
- Will this be available to trustees direct or must they route it through the advisor/agent?
- Future access of legitimate interests?
  - Need confirmation of criteria for what will be accessible for minors
  - Protection for vulnerable adults
  - Protection for 'backdoor' access through other EU access points





### **CRBOT** - effect of registration

- Designated persons with business relationships will later verify the registration
- Right to ask trustees to rectify mistakes (or is this tipping off?)
- Competent authorities will access this
- Those with proven legitimate interest will access this criteria needed regarding how this will work to allow trustees understand this in practice – privacy / GDPR considerations particularly if cross EU border
- If delay registration
  - Penalties
  - Designated person cannot act
- NB keep internal and CRBOT registers up to date
- 10 years CRBOT retention





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